

Palo Alto
Dec - 25

My dear Sweetheart -

Merry Xmas, to all.

I came down from Woodland yesterday, found two dear letters from you.

The Xmas box you spoke of for Anita & Mary has not appeared yet. Lou & Pearl's things have not come either, their address is, Dolores Hotel, 2606 Market St. S.F.

Denhart has gone into real estate in Seattle so strong I don't think he has any money to invest in any thing else, all though I have written him yet.

As to Fry I have said nothing yet, nor will I, till I am ready & I feel quite sure he will be ready when I am, from his talk.

I think after Feb 1st. I will be able to have what money I will need to start into business, all right.

I am putting in my time looking around at different places. As to the Corcoran country, it is a dandy to make money, with money, but not to settle in, as one could not, afford to raise stock on land that would sell for \$75 to \$125 per acre.

Mary was awake by 12 last night off & on till 6 A.M. when she had to get up & see what Santa Clause brought for her.

Mrs. Diggs put a box into my suit case, which I did not open till this A.M., it contained a nice little bottle "violet perfume" I got her a little pin on the tree for her. I do wish you were here to-day, oh yes! & to-morrow too, & all the rest.

Mary Xmas to all
All ways yours Paul