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Dear Margaret;

The money from the "Appeal Letter" is coming in very well and from just a quick glance I would say that we are receiving contributions from people who have not contributed in the past.

I hope that you will forgive my including my expression of sympathy in this letter. Your Dad was a great man, loved and respected by all. The admiration we all felt for him - and the privilege of having known him, is something to be cherished always.

In June we have elections coming up for the Neighborhood House. I am not sure that I come up for re-election to the Board; but I do know that I will come up for re-election as Secretary-Treasurer. I would like very much to stay on the Board of Directors; but feel that I must give up the job of Secretary-Treasurer.

I am sure you will understand when I tell you that I have one daughter (foster) in college (her first year) this year and in September my other daughter will be going. In order to make ends meet and see them both through to the completion of their respective educations it is going to be necessary for me to get a small "after hours" job in order to supplement the Usher treasury. With my regular job and an "after hours" job I will be forced to give up some of the outside things that I have been doing. A day has just so many hours and no matter how one tries these hours stretch just so far. There is considerable book work involved in our E. H. Visiting Nurse Assoc. books during the normal course of the year - and when the Appeal Letter goes out it takes lots of time to acknowledge each check, keep track of it on a separate sheet, enter it in the card file, and deposit.

I have given this much thought, and I think you know that I would truly like to be able to continue in the Secretary-Treasurer spot - but all I can come with is that I know that trying to do everything is a physical impossibility.

In the meantime, of course, I will man the books until after the June elections for I am doing nothing about getting an "after hours" job until my term as Secretary-Treasurer is completed. Please feel free to call on me as usual. It had been my intention to discuss this with you personally, but I realize that (with your Dad's passing) you are very busy - and it seemed only fair not to let this go too long.

Sincerely,