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My dear Ernst,

A couple of days ago I read in the newspaper that your house has been bought for the Jena University, with the aim to continue and preserve your life task. My wife and I express our joy over this and congratulate you on this milestone of your lifelong work.

Many thanks for the kind letters from you. Our daughter Anni was overjoyed at receiving the photos of your family. That you remember my parents with such warm thankfulness, is of course pleasing to me, and you should know that my memories of your dear parents are no less alive (lively). I was their regular guest in the Link Avenue in Berlin. As a student I came to know your father well and often accompanied him on his walks in the Zoo. I told him about our lectures at the College and the discussions with him strengthened my interest in the lectures (free translation).

You, dear cousin, are preparing yourself for the farewell from this life. Sophie and I greet you, probably for the last time, and wish you that your end may be easy. I am pleased that my wife has also come to hold you in high esteem, and we gladly remember (recall) your visit in our home. Our days are also counted.

Regards,

Sophie Bleek







