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Dear Mr. Conant:

I am enclosing the notes for your thumb nail sketch, also two articles which may have something you prefer. I hope this will give you what you want.

Enclosed, too, my bill for my recent observation trip. If something more detailed is desired it can be furnished. Mrs. Wolfe has the items. And I should like to warn your authorities that if it had not been for the homes and cars of friends putting me up and taking me over long distances this bill would have been much higher!

I have the package enclosing more insurance material all of which I am of course preserving as it all contains more or less on unemployment and health insurance both of which we are to take up.

Everything you can get hold of on pre-fabricated houses will be useful, also should like to know what is the cheapest three room house with bathroom that Sears Roebuck and Montgomery Ward offer. I suppose these are all frame houses, are they not?

We should not overlook what the Building & Loan Associations do in financing cheap houses. How cheap? Are they sound consulting as well as financing institutions? Is there tendency to push people into undertakings beyond their means? How have they stood up under the depression? Any information you can get along these lines will serve the cause.

I am glad you liked Number two. It was considerate of you to tell me so.
Very sincerely