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Letter X: (envelope addressed by her in pencil
same addresses as previous)

postmark dated Dec 1, 1948

text:

Dear, dear Sidney,

Your letters are always such a pleasure and support to me. I wish we were neighbors and I could visit with each other, exchange books and enjoy each others company. I am a good friend, but a very poor letter writer.

The abortive tripp south evidently needs more explanation. I want very much to return to my old stomping ground--if only for a few days--see the the (cq) country and talk with ~~xxx~~ Southerners. My work demands this from time^s to time. Tennessee and I decided to go South for a week. But lo is very nervous and at the last moment did not want to go. And I was not anxious to go with him because he is a bad driver when he is in that nervous state. It was a disappointment. I had wanted very much to see you even for an evening.

Sidney, the next time you go to Atlanta do you think I could ~~go~~ go with you? I would like it very much. I could visit Columbus frindd for a couple of days--and maybe we could see Doc and Louise. What do you think?

Ten, after much ~~xx~~ indecision, decided on North ~~xx~~ Africa. He and Paul Bowles leave tomorrow. They wanted me to go with them, and my wanderlust torments me now.

My little sister is now full fiction editor at Mlle.--I am so proud of her.

The arbitration on "The Member" was disturbing. The guild can have a years option only if Johnson is included. But if the guild does not claim the option (which I will advise) then I am free from that parasite completely. I have no more paper.

Affectionately,
Carson