

Jan 11-1968

Dear L: Will miss answer to others last letter, with yours. See that she gets it and reads it. Had letter from Pat C. Will answer it, later. Hope this finds you feeling fine and everything going well for all. Keeping souls has always been a rugged vocation, I think. 'Tis said John the Baptist even howled in the wilderness. But maybe he just felt more effective among the four footed creatures, as I always have. Ha! Ha! Then to be may have had a few Archie and Beepies in his midst. What? Very little to write about here. Was amused by a joke I was reading. A Hollywood writer requested "that his body be cremated and 10% of his ashes flung in the face of his agent." Another: A teenage boy asked to list his hobbies named "skin diving, skiing, a hot rod and Elizabeth." Tell me, do you still like the Toyota? Do not let anyone get hooked on that battery in the Vanfall. They might run a switch on us. That is a damn good battery for a small car, when operated often enough to keep it "up". I sure like that Vanx. and hope it doesn't rust through on that fender. However, do not let Walter at it. He had a wild idea of how to safeguard it against rusting further. Marvin is the one who knows that car. He put it in excellent condition for me before. See that the Earlsmells + others do not use it. They always had an eye on it.

I got so aggravated at his and her damn clutter and she retaliated in kind when I urge her to store it, share it up, or set fire to it before it strangles us to death. But there is humor, still, in the controversy. She tells Bud how her cats worship her and swears the moment he goes that the damn bitch hasn't known she was living since I came. It is so amusing that she can not get as mad as she would like to, when she grabs either cat up to love it, it whipsaw around so it can still look at me. She asks me how to explain this and  
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I tell her it is because I am much prettier in a feline sort of way. Jim 7, caught with a broken arm and an expired insurance on his house loan cursed out the bank personnel for failure to notify him. Sis has a house loan at the same bank & I have accounts there. So we nosed into Jim's story. They had sent the reminder. Sis figured this cleared the bank of ALL responsibility. I still figured the bank was guilty of "negligence" in as far as they hadn't persisted and by failure to do so had endangered their own position, as well as his.

By the way, both Jim 7 and Sis insist that anyone who drives a car should have a mortgage on their property as judgments can not be obtained on mortgaged property. You are in good position on legal aid to quiz an attorney about this. Do it and let me know what you learn. Driving has really gotten to be one helluva risk you know. If there are any such safeguards we should avail ourselves of them.

Sis (fiddling with incenerator just now) flung sawdust in it and lost all of her eyebrows, eyelashes and substantial percentage of her new permanent + dye job. Said I, ecstatically, as she shrieked and anointed herself with oil "Ah! If THAT had happened to me, I could have saved the price of a hair cut!"

"Haas shit!" she roared "I'd be the last to doubt that you would have profited -- somehow -- Ah! Yes! If you was flung in a vat of pure dung you would emerge with both fists full of mardy..." etc.

She had insisted she was losing weight but last evening when she tried to get in her evening gown for a lodge function I had to set my foot in the small of her back while she layed on the floor and close her zipper with a pair of pliers. That is the God's truth. "Boy" wheezed I "That 15 lbs you lost must have gotten lodged in this damn zipper." I never let on -- that she's sponsored a wild claim but never miss a trick -- by way of establishing the "truth of the matter": Ha! Ha!

Kan some figures on the "E" bonds. Think it probably cost me \$2000 in interest (if held in bank) to <sup>to</sup> be "patriotic". How's that for a scream? <sup>to</sup> ~~It was conservative~~

Lots of Love -- due soon -- mom.

Address: Union Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.  
Pennsylvania at Market St.,  
Indianapolis, Ind 46204

Presently: Acct 34634; Amt \$10,000.00; Int 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ %

In trust to James W Jones (Methew & Son),

On the trust you need only present  
my death certificate to draw the money,  
I am told.

Hoped to break through for Soldiers  
pension. They decided to count Soc. Sec.  
as income and the limitation is \$1800 per  
annum. My Soc. Sec. will be well within  
that limit but I'd have to put everything in  
"trust" and disclaim the income from  
the trusts on the grounds that I expect to  
return it to the trusts when Soc. Sec. is  
paid. Maybe that will work and maybe not  
especially as regards the income but I am a  
shelter for trying -- so I dreamed up the latter  
notion about the "income" but haven't sprung  
it on them yet. Guess if that fails I will  
scream for pathman's review of his claim in  
effort to get "service connection" in which  
event the income limitation would not  
apply. I took a crack at that sometime ago. The  
Board of appeals claimed they local board  
would have to refer the thing to them & forwarded  
my request to local Board Indianapolis (where  
I first filed my claim). Indianapolis took refuge  
in "silence" but you know the powers of my  
Trusty pen (and I) - we can break their silence,  
sure but have to play it cagey for they can also  
snatch my tax (prop tax) exemption which is  
worth something like \$100.00 per annum to me.  
Now how would you like to gamble on  
a sure win and set up 22 $\frac{1}{2}$  thousand dollar  
Trust fund for me? What?

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File this: (For firm) Jan. 11-1968

No longer have credit union account with perfect circle. Withdrew it + deposited it elsewhere. Think they still carry \$1000.00 Life Ins policy on me. Have 2 small policies (life) with Prudential Ins. Co. Also carry life policy on you with Standard Ins. Co. + it has cash value now, also.

10 shares stock Chesapeake and Ohio (railroad)  
40 " " Amsted Industries.  
Amsted expects to merge with U.S. Gypsum (building materials). Will let you know if merger goes through (New certificates will be issued) (mine being worth about 31 shares of Gypsum, they being higher value on the stock market).

Bank of Amer. Whiat. - 1 certificate + one small account for maintenance when with you. Mendocino Sav. + Loan. (Whiat.) my acct (not in trust) Steven's acct (in trust to him).

Address: First Federal Savings + Loan (in trust to James W. Jones) 314 Fourth St., Logansport, Indiana Zip code 46947 acct # 21-712 Amt \$2496.98 Int rate 4 3/4 % - This acct includes \$1030.76 from sale of "E" bonds Dec 29, 1967 Address: ~~First~~ NOTE Have another small acct in this bank for maintenance while here. It is NOT in trust.

Address: First Federal Savings + Loan Assoc One North Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis, Ind 46204 # 729-35 Presently acct # ~~34-024~~ Amt \$10,000.00 Int 4.82 % In trust to James W. Jones (son + mother) MAY change to certificate bearing 5% Int. but maintaining as "Trust" as before NOW (over)