

March the eleventh, 1965.

Dearest Lulu. Without my studio I would not have made this past winter. With my studio I am a reasonably intelligent, kindhearted and industrious woman. I have run an office, that is out here. I have worked on my book with dedication and preserverance, but not always with inspiration. When I have written without the latter, I simply rewrite at a more auspicious moment. I must say that Anne Thompson has been wonderful for me and to me. With great patience she has organized me, pushed me and ~~to~~ she is one of the hardest working gals I have ever encountered. No wonder so many generations of her family have amounted to so much. They start something on plug happily along, brushing off interference gayly. I shall miss her when I have finished. She is now engaged to a boy named Jack Whitley and she is living on a cloud.

I am having to put the Grainger Hunt's out today so that the house may be scrubbed and waxed for the arrival of Sperry and a guest from Bogstar ??? Sp.

Night before last under pressure from Barbara I dug out my rolls of movies and showed them to the two of them. Here was darling Jenny, her Daddy, you and various others of my beautiful family. Brady's christening, the wonderful ride down the ship channel. And there for a fleeting secon was some pictures of Dad when he still looked chipper. That ~~it~~ is really wonderful to be carried back into the past with such clean and wonderful pictures. That old Bell and Howell sixteen millimeter is a wonder.

I went to meet the Prince last night, at the consuls house in River Oaks. only a hundred of us were invited. Those who had been extra nice to the British. However Jane wouldn't go as she was furious because tonight there is a big dinner, which the populace will pay \$100 to a thousand sollars to go to and they will be seated accordingly. The mainseat is to be auctioned off to the highest bidder. The money is for the Variety club, and half of all th proceeds is to go to the Prince. Well Jane hit the ceiling and said that she was calling the British Ambassador and the Queen and any other dignitary that she could dial. Of course I had simply passed the whole thing over when I received the bid to the dinner. I had thought it in bad tastebut then I received the invitation to meet him at a reception and we accepted. Not Jane she has made an international incident out of the whole affiar, and was conspicuous by her absence. We all shook hands with him and found him highly intelligent.

Spring is at last creeping in bud by bud, leaf by leaf, no usual burst of glory. The Texas has taken quite a winter's beating this year. For the first time in our married life we have used two cords of wood. And its still a little chilly.

No body was out of line at the party, but I wished for you all and wished that you could come back to Texas and visit. No matter how charming people are I always wish for you and Robin and your sweet husbands. Tell Roy Happy birthday for us and please kiss all of the children for me. Oh what I would give to hug them all myself. Daddy is acting so poor lately though that I don't think I shall get out there any time soon. Some of his money's went back into businesses and he was short cash, and his ancillary dockets lasted ten weeks instead of six. One of the judges died and he took on another ~~4~~ four weeks. He is serious and nervous and I am going to have to calm him down.

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Please write me a day letter you know all