

Dear Betty:

It was so nice  
to see you in the Chapel.  
Thank you for coming  
and for your prayer.  
Aileen.

Acknowledging with grateful appreciation  
your very kind and thoughtful expression  
of sympathy



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Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>.

Dear Betty.

No doubt you have met  
Ede and George who have been  
in Lauderdale the past few  
weeks. I hear the weather  
has been cool down there.  
Well, it's been good and cold  
up here. I've had several  
invitations to go to Florida  
but on account of my periodic  
attacks of diverticulitis, I've  
been afraid to go. Am just  
getting over an attack, and  
when I get them, they are

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very severe. I have to be <sup>very</sup> careful of my diet. all the time  
You told me that you had a  
condition some what similar to  
mine. Does it give you any trouble?

Three friends of mine from  
Petersburg are driving to St.  
Petersburgh last of this month  
and asked me to go with them.  
If I can all O.K. by them, I may  
go. Don't know whether they  
will hit Lauderdale as the  
woman who is driving her car  
down always goes to St. Pete.  
My Brother and wife are there  
at the mill and it would  
be nice to see them. If I come

down and it is possible for  
me to get to Laddendale, you  
can bet I'll be seeing you  
some how. I don't have any  
enthusiasm about a Florida  
trip as Sam can't be with  
me. I have such wonderful  
memories of happy times  
together down there that I feel  
I should not enjoy it without  
him.

Well, what's new with you  
these days? Business picked  
up again. Last time I heard  
from you it was pretty dull.  
Season is in full swing down  
there so it should be very lively.  
Find time soon to scribble off  
a few lines to me.  
Love, Grace



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Sat Feb 3-51

Dear Betty

Have been wanting to write you for some time now but something always comes up & we keep putting it off. Guess we have owed you a letter for some time now.

How have you been this winter? Let you be glad you don't have to put up with the kind of weather we have had here this winter. I wished many times this winter that I were a wee bit further south.

Maybe some of these times we can make it. Want to get started this spring or soon as the weather breaks to get our house put up so we can move over there by fall. With the increases in price of materials it is going to be a tough fall maybe with a little luck we can make it.

By the way you wouldn't have any extra cash that you would care to make a guy a loan would you? If you could & would care to I'd sure appreciate it. We have our basement in, if you'd care to floor in bricks to complete the house & a good deal of our plumbing materials paid for. In fact all that is done so far is paid for

but it has run me a lot more than we  
figured on so far.

How have the horses been treating you  
this season? Lots is higher feed than  
you know. Had a letter from some  
the other day. They have had a bad  
winter too down there.

Have wanted to send you a box of apples  
for some time now but for as the  
generals will have to wait till the  
parcel postage is lifted in account of  
the R.R. strikes will send you some  
as soon as this is cleared up.

Well Sis, there is nothing in the  
way of news here so I will say  
nothing for now.

If you should happen to see yourself  
draw on any kind of a loan by April or  
May let me know + what kind of  
terms.

Hope this finds you well + happy  
All ours for  
Ben + Herbie

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Greetings;

Received your most welcome letter yesterday, and was shocked to see that I owed you an answer from your last letter, and will tell you, it took your last letter to put some pep into me, and I surely need a lot of it these days, as about a week before Christmas I developed a cold, the first one in years, and still trying to break it, just can't even dent it, know I had it licked a couple of times, but another cold set in, and back to the usual no pep and pains in the chest, plus using about 6 handkerchiefs a day, here I thought coming down to D.C. I would get away from the cold weather but this winter is like those up North, and with this cold has surely made a mess of my life, even though I still try to keep up with the dances, only those that they expect me at, and try to keep from dancing any more than I have to. enough of this talking about sickness, would rather talk about other people sickness, you know the kind, those that comes in for treatments.

Have the usual commitments of dances every month, and hate to miss any of them, especially since when they are figuring on you for making up a set, so keep them, and know that is the the reason why this cold it hard to clear up, but if it doesn't go like it came, well it will just have to stay with me.

Had a surprise Thursday before Christmas, Belle called and told me she and Peart was figuring on driving down for Christmas, Peart would drop her off here while he would drive down to S. Carolina and visit his son, well they arrived Friday about 6, was earlier but I was out getting something to eat, and they did the same, so the only thing we did was sit around and talk, also look at the TV, Oh yes, about a month ago one of my patients knew I wanted a TV set, but couldn't afford the price, then his wife decided she wanted a large model, the combination kind, so he decided to get her one for Christmas, and they offered only 50 bucks trade in of his old set, which was only 11 months old, and he offered it to me for the same price, so now have it in the office, but still am not too sold on them, they are nice at times, but so far havn't found many programs I like, all the comedians they have, I think is about 10th, class have watched some of the stories they have in the evening, they are not too bad, even though the movie is about 25 years old. Getting back to Belles visit, we watched the TV set, Peart and Belle likes to watch the wrestling, then about 11 called it a day.

Closed the office Sat. at 11, as knew I wouldn't have anyone in, and we drove Peart out to Va about 25 miles, then he went on to his sons we drove around for a while then came back to the office, and talked, then

she wanted to go to a movie across the street, and we went, Sunday took a drive and visited some people we knew around here, and the evening we went to see Jimmie Stewart in Harvie, it was very good, then just made mid night Mass at the Cathedral, Arch Bishop O'Boyl officiated, then we went to a Kosher restaurant for something to eat, then called it a day.

Belle left Monday afternoon for home, was nice to have her here for the days, as don't know around Christmas a person gets sort of lonesome, and the money situation isn't any better, still have to watch the pennies, and it sure has me worried, am getting a lot of referred cases, but they don't last long enough to pay all the bills, the only thing I hope is I will be able to hold out, thought with this war situation, people would be needing treatments for nervous conditions, and have gotten some plus other cases, but not enough to cover all the expense, sometimes I wonder if it is worth while trying to get ahead, know with this cold, there were several times I wished it would get worst and end all this struggling, Gosh this letter sure is getting into a morbid letter, will try to change the tone of it, but have one more thing to tell you about before I do, so will do it now, One of the fellows I met here right after I came back from the service, we struck up a good friendship, and visited his home in Va a number of times, also he and his wife was to me several times for treatments, well the Sat. before New Years I got a call from his mother telling me that that their house burned down and he was burned to death, I went out that afternoon to hear about it, and found that it was pretty bad, after Belle left Christmas day, I went over to their house to see them wanted to be there during the day, as knew the kids would want to show me what Santa gave them, but found them out, forgot that they always spend the day with his folks, but left a note telling I was there, and the next day his wife called and told me about it, also she was leaving that day to bring the children down to her folks farm on the Eastern Shore, and would be back Friday, then leave Sat. with John to spend New Years with her folks. She came back and went to her mother in laws home as they planned to do some shopping in the morning and decided to stay the night, she talked to John about 10 P.M. and he was to meet her there after he got through work, then at 2 A.M. they got a call that their house burned down and the firemen found him burned to death, he was 3/4 creminated, and they advised that he ~~xxxx~~ should be creminated right away as there wasn't much left of him, which they consented, went over to see the house and it is a total loss, but thank goodness the children and mother wasn't home or maybe they would of had the same thing. The funeral was Thursday at Arlington Cemetery, and went to the services, it was hard to visualize a 6'2" fellow in a box only 11x14, the procession didn't look right as they had no horse, the undertaker took him in his car, and at the cemetery one of the soldiers of the guard of honor carried him to the grave, it looked as though they were burying a small animal, it is the first military ceremony I attended and it is very impressive, but I sure will miss him, his wife called several times and said she will drop in when she gets time, will try to go over one of these days too.

The Saturday before New Years we went to a Square Dance party and had a great time then at midnight a gang of us went over to Gus home for some Swedish drinks and eats then we danced until 4 A.M. and finally got home at 6. Sunday night went to the Walsh Club at 7:30 to teach Square dancing I do it every Sunday night, they had a party so we did Square, Folk, and modern dancing, then I left at 11, to go over to Helen Markvad's Apt for her party, and arrived just in time for lunch, she served a typical Danish Smorgasbord never saw one like it before it really looked to pretty

to disturbe, never saw so many different types of fish dishes, but the usual harring was the main dish in several types and shapes, we had a good time talking and doing some dancing, then left at 12:30 to go back to the Walsh Club to spend the rest of the evening, to we had two days of celebrating, and am sort of glad it is over, as am getting old and just can't take fit any more.

Monday didn't do anything tried to break up the cold, so kept close to the office and watched the TV. Tuesday went to the Chevy Chase Folk dance, and Wednesday night went over to the Abell's house to teach them some Folk dancing, and showed them how to do the Irish Waltz, also the Seven Steps (another Irish dance) also a new version of the Cotton Eye Joe dance.

Thursday found us in Gaithersberg to the square dance, and Friday was so sick I couldn't keep anything down, went out for a treatment in the morning and spent most of the day in bed, had only two patients, then that evening took another treatment, and then had to pick up Marion as we had to go to the Square Dance, it is a closed club, made up of a special number of people all knows how to dance, and we meet once a month to learn new dances also enjoy some of the old ones, had a splitting head ache, but it was too late to get a substitute so had to go, and tried to get out of all the dances I could, and what I did you may be sure I took it easy, well the evening passed on and I finally got to bed about 2 A.M.

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Gosh it is 3 P.M. and want to get this in the mail so will have to close it right away, as think the mail is picked up at 3, and it is always a little late, so take care of yourself, and was glad to hear that you had such a wonderful time for the holidays, and that you are keeping well, I often wished that I could be in your place in the warm weather all the time, and enjoying life like you do, but know I couldn't even start to keep up with you, don't know how you keep all the pep, but stay that way, and have a good time, as when you slow down it will come fast, and now will just say so long for now with the best of wishes, and will try to write again soon.

Always,

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