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Miss Laura Gilpin
807 Carter Avenue
Wichita, Kansas

My dear Laura:

Re: Estate of Francis Gilpin, Deceased

I duly received your letter of the 29th ult. with its enclosures, but have been pretty fully occupied since its receipt and have fallen a bit behind in my correspondence.

The best offer I had for the car was \$90.00, which was Ted Robinson's, and I advertised it in the "City Briefs" for a few days with the result that I sold it to two soldiers from Camp Carson for \$150.00, receiving \$50.00 in cash and the balance secured by their promissory notes for \$33.33, \$33.33 and \$33.34 due respectively September 1st, October 1st and November 1st, secured by chattel mortgage on the car which I have filed for record and insured the car in the amount of \$150.00. Strang's had a bill against the car in the amount of \$66.82 which I enclose so that you and Francis may look it over. Of course, I do not know what instructions you gave when the car was put in there, but I am frank to say that I did not anticipate any such charges against it. However, I had to assure them that the bill would be paid before they would let the car go out of the garage as, of course, they had a lien on it for the amount of these charges, and this bill will be paid in due course.

The other unpaid bills, with the exception of the expenses of administration, will have to wait the expiration of the six months' period, and all of the creditors will have to file proof of claim in the County Court. I am writing those whose bills are in my hands advising them to this effect.

I note the disposition you made of the wearing apparel and I do not think any question can ever be raised. I saw Mr. Crissey yesterday and discussed with him the possible market for the wood stored at their plant. He said frankly he knew nothing about its value, nor could he make any suggestion as to how to find a market except that he said that Francis had mentioned the possibility of a market in Wichita and I assume that will be followed up. I am going to make inquiry in Denver to see if there is any possibility of a market there and certainly I am not disposed to consider Beroni's offer until we have exhausted all of the other possibilities.

I am assured that the flat silver which you referred to was not in the car while it was at Strang's.

I note your instructions with reference to delivering the 110-volt electric motor which was appraised with the Delta 14" band-saw to Ted Robinson and, of course, will be governed accordingly.

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I am trying to find a market for the other items which were left at Wandell & Lowe's for sale and in the meantime have sold the wrist watch for \$5.00 and collected \$13.58 from the El Pomar Foundation, being salary due for the first 7 days in July.

I have received assignments to you of the accounts of Brown and Brown and the Brookside Garage which you paid and will similarly obtain an assignment from Edith Munro and Dr. Willard Smith. These I understand, with the Law claim which has also been assigned to you, cover all of the items paid by you personally and in due course you should file a claim against the estate for these which I will prepare and send you for execution at a later date.

I am sorry I did not see you again before you left, but as a matter of fact there really was nothing to be discussed but what can be covered by correspondence.

Please return the Strang bill to me.

Sincerely yours,

Victoria W. Cunningham

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