

112 Pinckney St.
Boston, Mass. 02114
Sept. 25, 1966.

Dear Eliot,

I got back to Boston - having stopped in Minneapolis for almost a week - two weeks ago today and it is past high time that I wrote to thank you and Alice for being so good to me.

I did and do appreciate your wonderful hospitality.

I am writing this note to you rather than to both of you because I said when I left that I wanted to say you or thought about Patrick, if you didn't mind - and you said that you didn't.

Although I don't know Pat at all well - of course - it did seem to me that possibly a major factor in his difficulties may be a persistent craving for consistent attention from you. I feel quite sure that he admires and probably "adores" you. You are pretty much of a genius and absorbed in your work and maybe Pat doesn't feel that there is much tangible evidence of paternal support and love. If this is so, his craving might be of such proportion that it would be insatiable and his demands might be

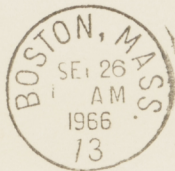
more than you could satisfy. However, if there is any merit to my theory you could give it a try - if you agree. He is such a likable boy - really a darling - and basically, I bet, not a cowboy type. I think he is trying to prove his masculinity and maybe he wouldn't have to try so hard if you were to show more interest. - I know you won't think I am "butting in". Also I may be wrong.

There is no need whatever to reply to this. --
I love being with you and Alvin and I love you both. Thanks again ever so much for your goodness. Please tell Alvin that I have written this thank-you note.

Affectionately, Vernon.

from

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