

Saturday 2.11.

My Darlings -

I loved Scott's letter of yesterday about the coat episode and am dying to know the outcome. Wouldn't be surprised if Andrew Wyeth ends up as the owner. So you are getting fat Scott - I will send Desbatol tomorrow morning and a new Platz sketch girl is. Hope both will be satisfactory.

Jazz + Peter called last night just to chat. They are well and happy and all goes well for them. They are getting excited about the baby and arguing over names. So far the decision is Gamin for a girl and Christian Dean for a boy. Peter doesn't like either one so space that will be highly unimportant.

I am still in a daze about our beautiful trip and daydream about it constantly. The wonderful part of a gorgeous experience like that is that it gives an old gal so many things to think about and the recall is almost as exciting as the thing itself. I can polish furniture + think of great McCoy, I can polish furniture + think of Vienna, clean the suit and think of Naples even watch the Alde pass go by and think of the Spanish Riding school.

We met a fascinating man in Rome - a writer for television - only about forty (which seems old to you embryos) a grey Hemingway blue eyes - quite attractive even with all the foliage. He writes many scripts for Alfred Hitchcock and also does some writing for Billy Wilder. He has written me several very clever, continental letters

Since I returned. Guess there's life in the old girl yet.

Suzie called wanting Ma to write her a note to the house mother giving her permission to not only take off for Georgia on the Thanksgiving Holidays but also the preceding Mon, Tues, Wed. So being the soft touch I am I dutifully discharged same. She also said that she didn't want me to be upset but she thought that next year she would go to the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. She said "Mama does that upset you?" I said, "No Darling, but when Peter, Uncle Tack and Curtis enroll it might grab me". I also told her that M. D. is so cultured now since he has seen so much art - heard the Vienna Opera company that he might enroll and be there too. Has she said anything to you all about same? I really don't know why we don't sell the old house and all move to Philly and see what Ma could do in the menapause group. Such a wonderful, crazy, mixed up family that I am really quite fond of.

News Items:

1. Sis Rigg got married to a very handsome man by the name of Julian Martin. Rather a surprise as I thought wonderful as she is her part was needle point.
2. Mr. Zimmer (Brentford) has a new car. (1960 Chev.)
3. Rigg & Ona Penn are getting a divorce.
4. Still roaches in the kitchen.
5. Ma still dieting.
6. Kay & I going to spend all day next Tuesday going to look for junk etc on Lancaster. Her eyes are worse & she cannot drive so I help her out.
7. Martha Mahen is well & still not cooking.

8. Gary Mahen still polishing the Holy Grail.
9. Paps & Donald still on the same subject he was in 1952.
10. First year in 30 years that Ma is not cooking a Thanksgiving dinner - I feel so sad - D. D. & I will go to Ruth & R. J.'s for dinner. June marches on -
11. Paula Stephens teaching at March Highmont.
12. Debbie Johnson licking envelopes at the art center.
13. Tom Loffland worrying about the box of food in your room.
14. Mark Snowden still waiting for you to come home.

15. Restaurant still up.
 16. Pres. Johnson still waiting for operation.
- As you can see I am now scratching bottom of the barrel -

I love you -

Ma -

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| Item no 17- | I miss you. |
| " " 18 | Kurt misses you. |
| " no 19 | My love to Nellie |
| " " 20 | Scott's sweater all done but weaving together. |
| " " 21 | This year's spider is gone. |
| " " 22 | Holly hedges getting red. |
| " " 23 | I miss you! |
| " " 24 | Cooked cabbage today. I ate it. |
| " " 25 | Safeway Sat. special Pork chops 99c's per lb. Sta hah, I miss you. |
| " 26 | Curtis coming for dinner (a real news item). |
| 27 | I miss you! |

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28. Ross still calling - Ross will be a papa for the second time.

29. Sissy Sewell getting gorgeous.

30. Bob + Andy Sewell living together in Austin

+ Bob baking bread to save money.

31. I miss you!

32. Joke - Mrs. Truman talking to a wife of a Missouri congressman - wife - "My husband embarrasses me as he says in his speeches 'Missouri needs tons + tons + tons of manure'. I have been trying for years to get him to say 'Fertilizer'. Mrs. Truman says - 'My dear you are a Turkey woman as I have been trying for years to get Harry to say 'manure' -

Pretty carry - aint it?