

November 1, 1968

Mr. and Mrs. Penn Jones, Jr.
Midlothian
Texas 76065

Dear Penn and L.A.:

Just a note to say that the package arrived yesterday - on the regular mail delivery. Special delivery is not observed in these hills. We're lucky the Post office considers us important enough to deliver once-daily mail six days a week. The postman is anxious for five-day, or even four-day, delivery service.

Harold is away and I don't expect his return until approximately the middle of November, after which he expects to be home about a week, then away for a few days, then home, then gone again for a couple of weeks, and so on and on --- Anyway, I hope he gets all his travel done for a while by the end of the year so he can stay home while I take off. Nothing so exciting as what he is doing, though. I've agreed to work for the Block tax people beginning the first of the year.

We have had a lovely autumn so far. Today the temperature is around 70, and the nights have been in the 40's. Although last year we had a killing frost in early September, we haven't had one yet in this immediate vicinity. This weather I would enjoy the year 'round, but that is really asking too much of Mother Nature.

Hope you are both well and that things are not too difficult. Your raincheck for a visit to us when and if you can is not revocable.
S-o-o-o-o---

Best from us both.

Sincerely,

12/1/68

Dear both,

I've answered all but a few of the accumulated letters, written some of those I should have following this last trip, have filed all the accumulation, and will not be able to do much on the notes before I leave for N.O. Wednesday with Vince, who catches the same plane in Hills, and possibly Bud, who was up yesterday. I should be getting all this stuff in order but will tell you why I must not drop everything and go there right now when I see you. I'll let you know from N.O. what my schedule is. If I can leave on the 11th or the 18th can you connect with a plane I can go on in N.O., or would you like to spend a day there and we catch the 6:35 for Baltimore, which is the fastest on the schedule and will get us in my place by midnight?

I've begun Gub. It is at least as error-packed as the worst of Joesten. These foreigners just made it up as they went and Joesten still does, his manufactures sharpening as he gains experience at it.

Hope you 11/22/68 speech went well.

Vince and I will both probably be staying with Matt, whose new address is 1212 Fine, phone unchanged. He has a larger place and the same big heart, which just cannot get any larger.

Hurriedly,

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PENN JONES, JR., EDITOR

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Dear Harold,

I am sending you photocopies of RED ROSES coming to me from old man W. C. Thompson in San Antonio with some rather strict reservations. He says, "Gun would only give me permission to make one copy for my own use of it to loan it ~~wout~~ to anyone who is interested to read it. Please pass it on and keep it in circulation - Garrison - Sylvia Meagher - Dorothy Hurst - Harold Weisberg, etc."

I also have a copy of this book and will furnish you a photo copy if you think it is worth it.

Nothing encouraging happening down this way.

Regards,



P. S. Please send Thompson's copy back to me when you're finished with it. You're the only one I've sent it to so far.