

Dear Jodi and Art,

2/20/81

Sorry the stinkers are giving you so much trouble and bleeding your resources.

Do you suppose they are hoping to clean out all your funds and make you willing to cave in?

When we first moved into this house we also had trouble with dryness because the panelling absorbs all the wintertime moisture. However, with first some vaporizers and then a room humidifier we helped that quite a bit. Our noses even bled, but no more. So your problem could be dryness to which your bodies have not adjusted.

We did have the kind of weather you refer to but this week it broke, after a decent rain last week that relieved the water situation a little. It has gotten up to 76 during the days and hasn't gone below 50 at night for several nights. Some predicted for several more days! I hope it doesn't bring too many plants and trees to life only to get killed in the heavy frosts we'll still have.

The break has permitted me to walk in the lane a little. I can now make it down and back, albeit not without pain and limping. So I do it as many times a day as I can and hope it helps. Not supposed to be out much when it is cold.

With this break in the weather, if it also dries out I'll try to get in to the office supply co. to see about the cabinets they were to have provided so they could package the wood ones for you. I've not forgotten. It's been too cold and I can't stand for long.

We are OK, thanks. Idl is busy with her tax work, which she enjoys and at which she is very good.

And yes, I'm still getting records. Big batch I've got to get to now.

Hope all goes well- and fast.

Best,

2-16-81

Dear Hal & Lil:

Trust this brief letter finds you both in good health and good spirits, though from what I've been able to glean from weather reports, you are having a somewhat cold time of things! Still, your area is so beautiful, it is obviously worth it all.

Weather here has been optimal - not too hot - not too cold. Not much of a winter really, though every now and again a chill desert wind does blow.

Unfortunately, Jodi and I have been somewhat under it all for the past 2 months, having racked up no less than 3 major colds in that period. We have one doctor now who is speculating that an allergy may be at the root of it all...we'll see. This dry climate does take some getting use to, so, he may be right. We've also yet to try humidifiers in the house which some say really helps. Whatever, we hope (eventually) to get to the bottom of it all and start feeling healthy again.

The bums opposing us for the radio station continue their scatter-gun appeals process. We're now at the FCC Review Board level and 2 weeks ago we were asked to provide some peripheral information to them. Despite the cold, we went on auto-pilot and went back into our original files to provide the data requested. It's nothing serious, but indicative of the review-appellate process. After that, they can appeal to the full Commission, then, even the court of appeals. But, as I have indicated, there is a time limit to it all. My hunch is that once rejected at the present level they will drop out, realising that we will not in fact pay them off for their time and efforts to date. We have meanwhile learned who is their sugar-daddy-warbucks in this project and since his resources are unlimited, the game might go on. Their hope obviously is that someone will buy their approach on the appellate ladder. But even if such were to come about, we do not fear it in that we have all our facts at hand. It will just be time consuming and expensive. When its all over, hope we have some bucks left to open and operate the radio station!

Best wishes to you both - love hearing from you when you get a chance.

*Art & Jodi*