

Dear Bill,

2/5/96

I know from your 1/30 that you are tired and overworked because I've written you about the ribbons several times. I'll use the first of them when this one gets too pale. Then I'll know if they are too fried out. From the box they are correct for this machine.

Thanks but we do have enough envelopes. If the one that was ^Mmagled was like this, they are almost all gone. I explain.

During the 1973 energy crisis I learned that it takes much energy to make paper. So I then decided not to be wasteful. Thus I am still using paper with a clear side for rough drafts. I found the small box of those small envelopes and rather than throw them away practise modest conservation by using them up. Without access to our basement I am confident that we have a decent supply of ^{winted} windowed one. I'll probably soon ^{have to} get another box of the windowed, but they will ^{cost} me less there, and I can carry that much, ~~that~~ the cost of shipping them. But thanks, anyway, I do appreciate very much that you think of those things.

I have not gone to the local place that says it can make me copies of "White-wash because of the harsh, for me, weather. I'll have to soon. If you can show the first "hitewash to your ^{friend} and see if he can do it, I think the price I've been given may be high. And I've still not heard from ^{them} Hood under the new president whether it will keep its word. So until I know if they will continue selling these books, which will be 100% profit for them, I'm not about to stockpile an expensive reprint.

We had the additional snow you probably saw on TV. It began after midnight and by not much after daylight there was about 10 inches on what you may remember, those platform bird feeders near the kitchen door. But we got plowed out and this morning, only because I had to, I left with the temperature about zero. I had the blood test, which was a good thing because the anticoagulant dosage had to be ^{reduced} reduced; the physical therapy; and then the regular trip to the podiatrist, the one I dare not postpone, because an ingrown toenail was hurting too much. I've not been allowed by the doctors to cut my own nails or 15 years. But I made out OK. I'm not supposed to be out in this kind of weather. I let the car motor ^{warm} warm up ten minutes before leaving.

Your reference to Ford Model A reminds me: one was the first car I ever bought. It was a '29, I got in in 1965 and that roadster cost me ~~25~~ \$75. It was a great and a tough car. But it got so hard with a rough winter like this one I traded it on an also fine car, a 29 Dodge sedan, four-doors and ~~a~~ not a ~~so~~ scratch. That Ford was \$25.00. That open A was a treat in warm weather and when I double-dated we fought for the rumble-seat. I threw a rod once on a bitter cold night, not letting it warm up, because I was drunk. Cost me \$10 the next day to get that repair made. And I drove it home, two miles, with the thrown rod. I guess I was a bit wild then. Thanks and best,

Thanks for the stamps, too!

Harold

1-30-95
4:45pm

DEAR HAROLD

ARE YOU LOW ON ENVELOPES THE ON YOUR
LETTER CAME IN LOOKED RAGGED. I WOULD
LIKE TO SEND YOU SOME WHAT WOULD
YOU LIKE PRINTED ON THEM. DON'T SO
NO, JUST TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT ON
UPPER LEFT TOP AND IT IS DONE DEAL. ALSO
HOW ARE THE NIGGERS WORKING, PLEASE ADVISE.
SCARY THIS IS SO SCARY. BUT I AM VERY
TIRED JUST FINISHED A BIG MODEL A FORD
SWAP MEET, WE DO SECURITY FOR EACH
YEAR. I KNOW YOU REMEMBER MODEL A FORDS,
THIS IS A GIG EVENT HERE, ABOUT 40,000 TO
50,000 PEOPLE COME TO BUY & SELL, MY WAITING
CHECKS LIKE SOME OF YOUR TYPING. SCARY. I'M A
HUNNY. I THINK SOMEDAY I WILL STOP WORKING
WITH MY CREWS, BUT IT IS A FORD THING
FOR ME. WELL MUST CLOSE FOR NOW, HOPE
YOU AND LIL ARE OK

YOUR FRIEND

Bill