We did get out yesterday, did go to the services for Lil's uncle, and thus did get the \$5,500 settlement from Dutton, which the bank will get tomorrow. t is an occasion for which I will make an unnecessary trip to town! That I could do this alone and unassisted is sufficient commentary on lawyers and on what O&D could have done with the book about which I actually had a Hollywood inquiry a few days ago. Unless I can persuade bil to use a little of this for real needs, 100% will go on our debt, as good an Xmas present as we can get.

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