

Feb. 9, 1963

[McKaswin]

Dear Martha:

After so long a time here is something which might be of some interest to you and Mr. D.

Some important things have occurred involving both of us, since our last meeting, and as writers say, "everything ended happily:"

1-Your marriage, which I know is very happy for both of you; 2-My acute coronary which laid me up for a month in the hospital, part of the time under oxygen, then recovery (slow process) and subsequent "work as usual."

One of the results of work as usual is "Strangers on the Land," a publication enclosed. Doesn't look like it but it runs 63,000 words. Shortcuts were necessary to get it into publication and it came out Feb. 5, 1963.

I hope you find some things of interest therein and that you may add your good influence in event you are in touch with anyone dealing with reviews or what have you; For I presume you haven't discarded your feelings, convictions etc.

Old Chief T-may is brought in ~~in the~~ early, in the first few pages of identifying those with the past. And the entire "atmosphere" of old and new has been captured in my poor way of doing so.

I hope you enjoy it. And I would very much appreciate any comments you or Mr. D would have to make on it.

I'm still piddling around with sculpture; have cast the heads in clay, ~~xxxxxxx~~ converting them into hydrastone so they won't fall apart, and with continuing research keep busy. I haven't finished casting the head of Puck Hyah Foot yet. Haven't seen Flora or heard how things are going.

Hope you have time to drop a note and let me know how things are going.

Sincerely

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