

July 1, 1960

My dear Mom -

It is plain to see that you collect characters as well as books. That is probably why you can write. I am afraid I don't see people as characters. To me they are too ephemeral. I don't mean short lived - but changeable. Even myself. If I live long enough I may become a character. I am learning to stand up to people. There are many in a place this large who take pleasure in pushing people around. My nature is non resistance - but survival requires learning to stand my ground.

Your garden sounds wonderful. How good it would be to have some northern grown foods. Onions grown in Florida or even California - don't taste the same. My grandfather had five acres

in Michigan to play with. On part of
it he grew alfalfa for their pet
horse. On part of it he had a
garden such as you describe. I still
remember the peas and beans picked in
the morning and eaten for lunch (or
dinner in those days)

I've given you a bit of a vacation
from my brain children. The chances
are that my push to write will
diminish. I know I have failed
in making you understand how
things really were in the days I
knew Ernest. It is impossible to
change a false thing once it has been
written. At least 25% of your will
believe what was written. But the
best thing about having tried is that
it no longer matters. That must
mean that I have grown a little.

I hate being old - but I am
beginning to see that being old
may be a necessary experience.
In each phase of my life I have
lived something to make me understand
the experience of someone I was
close to. First I became my
mother - later I had to learn how
it was to want desperately to die.
That made me understand Dr Hemingway,
Ursula and Ernest - all three a big
part of my growing up years. Then
during my five last years I lived
Dr Sidney - but unlike him I
remained conscious of what I was
living thru. Now I believe I have
become my grand mother. After
having been exposed to the Bible all
my life - I am finding it for myself.

I can't believe you would be
interested in my experiences while I
am learning my grand mother.

This should be my last phase in
this life. Contrary to ^{the} normal,

I seem to be growing stronger and
the Dr says I need no medication.

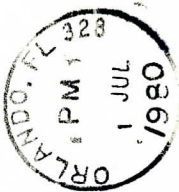
Nothing hurts and I like each day.

But we never know what next.

I will always be seeing ^{of} your
letters in my box - but please don't
make it a chore or a duty.

Love always -

Marge -

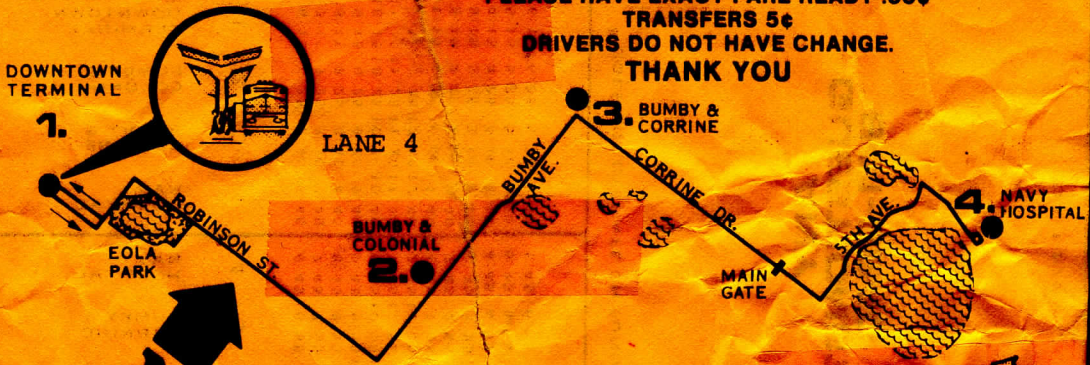


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