

February 13, 1951

Mrs. Joseph M. Cudahy
5 Middle Road
Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Cudahy:

I was sorry to send you the bad news about the death of Mrs. White. It seems that she had had a cold and a touch of pneumonia and suddenly she took a turn for the worse. The doctor rushed her to the Hinsdale Sanitarium and put her under an oxygen tent. She came out of it pretty well and White was quite encouraged that everything was going to be alright when he came back from the hospital. However, about 3:30 A.M. the doctor called him and said that she had had a relapse and died very suddenly.

From things White told me I guess she had had a number of slight heart attacks during the past year or so and also had very high blood pressure. As in many cases, she followed the doctor's orders carefully when she wasn't feeling well but when she did feel good she worked much harder than she should.

Both the daughters are working in Chicago. The one is engaged to be married in the summer. The son, Charles, started at the University of Illinois last fall. Fortunately he had been home for several days because of between semester examinations, and so was there at the time his mother passed on.

I got your telegram and sent your flowers. They are supposed to come to \$10.00 although I haven't received the bill for them yet. We all tried to help in any way possible. Mrs. Godshalk has been helping the girls to work out a routine of preparing meals so I think probably that things will work out pretty well. It is going to be rather difficult on White in view of the fact that his diet is regulated somewhat due to the ulcers he has.

We haven't been able to open the roads on the east side because of the snow and ice. The past two Sundays have been mild and rather inviting for people to get out so we opened the east side gates and barricaded the roads, thus allowing entrance to

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the Administration Building parking lot. A great many people parked and walked. Each Sunday from now on we will open as many roads as we can on the east side and barricade the rest so that people can get up into the woods and park and walk.

Loehman has completed the plastering in the old shop room at Thornhill and we installed the fluorescent lights, so that Mr. Nordine's class when they meet there tonight will be able to see much better than they have any time since the class started, as we had only temporary lights in there before. The bulletin boards in that room are also completed. We now have to put the brick work around the base, and we expect to do it this next week. Mrs. Watts is very much thrilled with the possibilities that the room offers for educational displays.

We haven't had any more word from Jim. I did hear over the radio that this month they are having one of the biggest concentrations of American, English and French ships in the Mediterranean for war maneuvers that has ever been assembled in that area. I presume he will have plenty to write about later.

We read in the papers about all the cold weather that has been penetrating the south. I hope it didn't get as far south as you are. We have had twenty-eight days of below zero weather this winter.

Best wishes.

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