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March 4
1957

Mr. Grote Reber
G.P.O., Hobart
Tasmania, Australia

Dear Grote:

We have this day received the check of the Chicago Title and Trust Company for the proceeds of the sale of the home property to the Illinois Bell Telephone Company.

We have previously received the money from Mr. Muehlfelt for the sale of the house. I asked Mr. Muehlfelt to let me go through the house, to make a search for anything that might be left in it, before he moves it, and he assured me that he would see that I was given an opportunity so to do.

In connection with the sale, I am enclosing herewith the following:

- 1) Copy of our letter to the Harris Trust & Savings Bank, transmitting your share of the net proceeds for deposit to your account, in the amount of \$14,717.02;
- 2) Copy of our statement showing disbursement of funds actually received by us;
- 3) Copy of the statement of the Chicago Title and Trust Company, showing their check to us in the amount of \$28,977.98.

There are a number of things which Schuyler asked to be reimbursed for, in the amount of \$93.93, which I felt were fair and I have sent him a separate check for that amount, as indicated on the statement. He also had a list of charges which he felt should be paid by you, such as expenses for telephone calls, telegrams, transportation, etc. I felt that was a matter which should be taken up by him directly with you.

We have had a very mild winter, all things considered. Today we have a bright sunshine and the air is crisp but not cold. The one thing about winter weather that I dread is ice on the streets, and we have had only three days of that.

Mr. Grote Reber
3/4/57 - #2

My car was not running right and I had it over at the Buick agency to have them find out what was wrong. They found that my carburetor was frozen and assured me the reason was that there was salt in it. My first reaction was to inquire what they had been drinking prior to the examination of the carburetor, as I could not see how I could get salt in the carburetor, since I do not make a habit of sprinkling salt on my car; then it occurred to me ~~that~~ the city uses salt to melt the ice on the streets. It is possible that the wheels threw some into the engine and the heat of the engine vaporized it and the carburetor sucked it in. It may be that such a process is not possible, but I know of no other way for my engine to absorb salt. In any event, they soaked me \$90.00 to fix it, which I feel was rubbing salt in the wound.

We are looking forward to seeing you when you get back to the States.

Trusting you find everything satisfactory, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bert E. Reber". The signature is written in a cursive, somewhat stylized script.

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STATEMENT
ESCROW DEPARTMENT
CHICAGO TITLE AND TRUST COMPANY
 111 West Washington Street, Chicago 2
 Telephone: DEarborn 2-7700

In Account With

ESCROW No. 591-W

BERTRAM E. RATHJE - SIDLEY, AUSTIN, BURGESS & SMITH

Date 2-28-57

1957 Reber - McDowell

		DISBURSEMENTS		RECEIPTS	
Jan	22	Sidley, Austin, Burgess & Smith - Deposit			3,000 00
Feb	4	" " " " - "			27,000 00
		C. T. & T. Co. - Rev stamps deed to McDowell		33	00
		H. L. McDOWELL- Taxes for yr 1956 on basis of 1955 taxes		356	12
		Taxes for 21 days 1957 on basis of 1955 taxes		20	76
		Clarence V. Hagemann, County Clerk - for redemption 1955 taxes in accordance with estimate of cost of redemption		414	64
		C. T. & T. Co.-charges billed to Rathje and Woodward		197	50
		Rathje & Woodward, as attorneys for Schuyler C. Reber, Jean Powers Reber & Grote Reber - Balance proceeds of sale		28,977	98
				30,000	00
					30,000 00

**STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENT
OF AMOUNTS RECEIVED
RE: REBER with McDOWELL
March 4, 1957**

Received from Chicago Title and Trust Company, per statement attached	\$28,977.98	
Received from J. C. Muehlfelt, for sale of house	<u>800.00</u>	\$29,777.98

CONTRA

By payment to Schuyler Reber, for amounts advanced for insurance premiums, water bill, etc.	\$ 93.93	
By payment to Rathje & Woodward, for attorneys' fees	250.00	
By payment to Schuyler C. Reber and Jean Powers Reber (1/21/57)	1,500.00	
By check to Grote Reber, for one-half of net proceeds of sale	14,717.02	
By check to Schuyler C. Reber and Jean Powers Reber, for one-half of net proceeds of sale less amount previously advanced	<u>13,217.02</u>	\$29,777.98

March 4
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Harris Trust & Savings Bank
115 West Monroe Street
Chicago 90, Illinois

Attention: Mr. Martin Rudolph
Assistant Cashier

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation, I am enclosing our check No. 21371 under date of March 4, 1957, in the amount of \$14,717.02, payable to Grote Reber, which we request that you deposit to the account of the payee. As I understand it, the account is a savings account in the name of Grote Reber, bearing your number 311697.

It is also my understanding that you will acknowledge receipt of the deposit directly to Mr. Reber in Australia, and will send a copy of the acknowledgment to us for our files.

Thanking you, I remain

Yours very truly,

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