

September 20, 1954

Dear Grote:

Many thanks for your last two letters which gave us some idea of how things are with you. I have been meaning to get off this letter for some time now, but it will reach you in time as well as the other items you wanted.

Under separate cover I'm sending the deposit slips sent here by the Harris, some miscellaneous items you may be interested in, and last but not least, a memento from us which I am sure you will be glad to have away down there on the other side of the world. This will go out tomorrow so you should have it within 10 days.

Enclosed is the Express Bill # 1325 indicating that your box was sent from here on Sept. 1st. That takes care of all the requests for forwarding, but it occurs to me that you may want the carton which was delivered here last January and which we stowed in the garage. When you do please give us all the necessary shipping instructions including any documents for foreign consignment if they are needed. This will expedite delivery.

The tie you sent for my birthday is beautiful---many thanks. I was well remembered by the family, and rightfully so, since I hit the two-score mark on this one. I am certainly not getting any younger.....

We are still going ahead with plans on this house deal, and before we are through it may mean a good fight with the city. However, at this writing, everything appears to be reasonable, and we probably go to the city shortly with the first overtures. My guess is that it will take at least a month or more for them to do anything, but all the estimates we have had made on this operation are not exorbitant---except the plumber, Naturally!!!

Last week Al Woodward got off the power of attorney you asked us to have him send, and when you return it, I will have to register it at the Court House. My suggestion at this point, is that I deposit your share of the proceeds at the Harris and naturally, I will give you an accounting of the matter at that time. The process of getting anything down with the local tradesmen and public servants is interminable, and extremely discouraging. Therefore, I have the feeling that your Power of Attorney will be a big help in enabling us to take action at the propitious moment. Under the circumstances, this may be important.

I have been working long and hard at Geneva---we had a complete change of method in pricing, and all the information on costs, margin and prices had to be worked up, checked, printed, and mailed. All told it took about a month, and it is a step in the right direction. Furthermore, it enabled us to pass along a price increase we received on the fabric which could have been troublesome. Business is harder to come by, but we are sure we are on the right track. Our second quarter was the best yet. Progress is very slow, and I get discouraged frequently; so what is needed is more money to promote the business to make it grow faster. That is on the agenda this fall.

The family is in good shape, and in a forthcoming letter, Jean can elaborate on their state of good health. Be sure and let us know that you have arrived safely when you get to Sydney. Take it easy, have a good trip,

Love from us all,



RAILWAY EXPRESS AGENCY

INCORPORATED

UNIFORM EXPRESS RECEIPT—NON-NEGOTIABLE—TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The provisions of this receipt shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the consignee, the consignee and all carriers handling this receipt and shall apply to any re-shipment or return thereof.

2. In consideration of the rate charged for carrying said property, which is dependent upon the value thereof and is based upon an agreed valuation of not exceeding fifty dollars for any shipment of 100 pounds or less and not exceeding fifty cents per pound, actual weight, for any shipment in excess of 100 pounds, unless a greater value is declared at the time of shipment, the shipper agrees that the company shall not be liable for any excess over fifty dollars for any shipment of 100 pounds or less, or for more than fifty cents per pound, actual weight, for any shipment weighing more than 100 pounds, unless a greater value is stated herein. Unless a greater value is declared and stated herein the shipper agrees that the value of the shipment is as last above set out and that the liability of the company shall in no event exceed such value.

3. Unless caused by its own negligence or that of its agents, the company shall not be liable for—

- a. Differences in weight or quantity caused by shrinkage, leakage, or evaporation.
- b. The death, injury, or escape of live freight.
- c. Loss of money, bailion, bonds, coupons, jewelry, precious stones, valuable papers, or other matter of extraordinary value, unless such articles are enumerated in the receipt.

4. Unless caused in whole or in part by its own negligence or that of its agents, the company shall not be liable for loss, damage or delay—

- a. The act or default of the shipper or owner.
- b. The nature of the property, or defect or inherent vice therein.
- c. Improper or insufficient packing, securing, or addressing.
- d. The Act of God, public enemies, authority of law, quarantine, civil, strikes, perils of navigation, the hazards or dangers incident to a state of war, or occurrence in customs warehouse.
- e. The translocation by, or partial delivery to the consignee of, D. D. shipments.
- f. Delivery under the direction of consignee at stations where there is no agent of the company after such shipments have been made at such stations.

5. Packages containing fragile articles or articles consisting wholly or in part of glass must be so marked and be packed so as to insure transportation by express with ordinary care.

6. When consigned to a place at which the express company has no agent, the property must be marked with the name of the express station to which delivery will be accepted or be marked with forwarding direction beyond the express company's line by a carrier other than the express company. If not so marked shipments will be refused.

7. As conditions precedent to recovery claims must be made in writing to the originating or delivering carrier within nine months after delivery of the property or, in case of failure to make delivery, then within nine months and fifteen days after date of shipment; and suits shall be instituted only within two years and one day after the date when notice in writing is given by the carrier to the claimant that the carrier has disallowed the claim or any part or parts thereof.

8. If any C. O. D. is not paid within thirty days after notice of non-delivery has been mailed to the shipper the company may at its option return the property to the consignor.

9. Free delivery will not be made at points where the company maintains no delivery service; at points where delivery service is maintained free delivery will not be made at addresses beyond the established and published delivery limits.

Special Additional Provisions as to Shipments Forwarded by Vessel from the United States to Places in Foreign Countries.

10. If the destination specified in this receipt is in a foreign country, the property covered hereby shall, as to transit over ocean routes and by their foreign connections to such destination, be subject to all the terms and conditions of the receipts or bills of lading of ocean carriers as accepted by the company for the shipment, and of foreign carriers participating in the transportation, and as to such transit is accepted for transportation and delivery subject to the acts, lading, laws, regulations, and customs of overseas and foreign carriers, custodians, and governments, their employees and agents.

11. The company shall not be liable for any loss, damage, or delay to said shipments over ocean routes and their foreign connections, the destination of which is in a foreign country, occurring outside the boundaries of the United States, which may be occasioned by any such acts, lading, laws, regulations, or customs. Claims for loss, damage or delay must be made in writing to the carrier at the port of export or to the carrier issuing this receipt, within nine months after delivery of the property at said port or in case of failure to make such delivery then within nine months and fifteen days after date of shipment; and claims so made against said carrier or issuing carrier shall be deemed to have been made against any carrier which may be liable hereunder. Suits shall be instituted only within two years and one day after the date when notice in writing is given by the carrier to the claimant that the carrier has disallowed the claim or any part or parts thereof. Where claims are not so made, and/or suits are not instituted thereon in accordance with the foregoing provisions, the carrier shall not be liable.

12. It is hereby agreed that the property destined to such foreign countries, and assessable with foreign governmental or customs duties, taxes or charges, may be stopped in transit at foreign ports, frontiers or depositories, and there held pending examination, assessments and payments, and such duties and charges, when advanced by the company shall become a lien on the property.

KAPULUI, MAUI, T.H.		Date Shipped	9-1-14
EROTE REBER		Station	No. 1320
No. 1320		Weight	50.00
(D) Wheaton, Ill. (W)		Class	SAME
1 COX		Mark in Package	COLLECT
MY W SEMINARY		Scale or Rate	Original
SHIPPER'S COLLECT RECEIPT		Packed by	(Original)

Water Charges	X X X X
Freight	DO
Insurance	NOT
Express	USE
Other	THREE
Total	SPACES
C. O. D. (Circle)	X

The Company will not pay over \$50, in case of loss, or 50 cents per pound, actual weight, for any loss in excess of 100 pounds, unless a greater value is declared and charges for such greater value paid.

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(Form 5081)

Shipment described hereon, subject to the Classifications and Tariffs in effect on the date hereof, value declared by Shipper to be that entered in space hereon reading "Declared Value," which the Company agrees to carry upon the terms and conditions printed hereon, to which the Shipper agrees and as evidence hereof accepts this receipt.

An	Number Pieces	1	Date	195	Hour	A. M. P. M.
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For the Company