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Dear Ferdie and Mildred.

Well, we finally arrived home from a delightful stay in Honolulu and, of course, found mountains of accumulated mail. We still have a myriad of items to plow through but I must report that we found the copy of WORK CAN BE FUN and the three extracts therefrom of NARRATIVE OF THE GIANT HEXALOPE AND THE WILD BUFFAHI.

We are thrilled and honored to be on your list to receive a personalized copy of your WORK CAN BE FUN. We have skimmed it and now are anticipating sitting down and really reading it. We should know all about you when we finish. (well, almost all!)

The Hexalope versus Buffahi narrative shows loving care and adroitness in editing and possibly should be submitted as a candidate for the Phewlitzer Prize in the Outrageous Fiction category. Liz and Martin will each receive a copy and they also want to read your book when we have finished.

Your recent letter apologizes for your typing errors due to the incapacity of your left hand First, let me say, that my letters ALWAYS look as if I had typed them with a broken arm in addition to using an illiterate typewriter. From now on leave leaves be.

We tried to phone you last evening but there was no answer, hence this hasty letter of thanks for the above mentioned "goodies".

Beth's repair job of a few years ago is going to have to be repeated and she is scheduled for surgery June 14th. Again it is minor (only I don't think any surgery is minor!) and she expects to be out in just a few days but will have to take it easy for a couple of weeks.

Keep the flowers and vegetables growing!

Our love to you both

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