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Ann Arbor, Mich
November 8, 1936

G

Dear George:

I received the typewriter and everything in good condition. Just came in time too, because I had a 1,000 word paper to hand in for one of my classes. Had little difficulty getting it in working order. Thanks for sending it, the pliers and screwdriver. The typing will add just that much to grades, for most teachers require it, and those that don't are impatient with the type of writing

such as I do and in most cases grade such papers on sight without wasting time trying to read and see how good they are.

I am glad to hear that you got the weather stripping done. The house should not be so hard to keep heated now and I am sure everybody enjoys that. Haven't had any real cold weather here as yet. Had a light snow a couple of weeks ago and threat of snow to-day. But when it does come I don't think it can be any worse than we had in St. Louis last winter and I am pretty well prepared to that extent.

Would write more if I had more time, if I had more to say; that is if it were news. So tell all hello and that I am OK and working hard as usual.

— Lloyd

G. D. G.

Personal

I am sorry to hear of that deed situation. I went over to the law library the night after receiving your letter and checked the Missouri laws relative to the transfer of property rights, claims, titles, signatures, etc. The results were as follows:

1. No law on signatures in any respect.
2. Both husband and wife must jointly release claims to property if both of their names appear on the title and this, though negligently (carelessly) done (as was in the case of these signatures) is nevertheless binding, if done "in good faith". Therefore M. F. & K.'s signatures are legally binding although they were ~~carelessly~~ carelessly written.
3. Several law students with whom I talked upheld this point of view also.

I had intended to send you
the notes I took on these laws
and the number and where
they are found, but can't locate
them just now. At any rate,
your immediate problem
is getting it properly recorded,
and I can understand why
any notary public would be
reluctant ~~to~~ to put his seal
on the document as it ~~now~~
now stands; because, if it
were done in his office
as supposed, both would
be properly signed and in
ink too. All that I could advise
at the present is for you to secure
another form at any first class
stationery store down town
and mail both the old (signed)
Quit-Claim Deed and the new
form to me. I'll type in the
necessary statements for the
blank spaces, and can run
over to Chi some week end
— some of the students drive over
about every week — and have it
corrected. Then, I am sure M.F.
will make his correction.

— L.H.G.