

FRIDAY A.M.

*May 5 1933*  
*(as my'spatter)*

Dear Dad:-

Just a hasty note in reply to yours earlier in the week.

I've perfected my right-of-redemption arrangement with Lee Stanley. I've seen Roulhac about the legal feasibility of the operation and he agrees it's OK. Only drawback is you have to pay off in all cash when you take up property under such terms. He agrees, however, that in a rising realty market such could probably be financed--or the rise would so far exceed the mtge. amt. that the terms to purchaser ~~would~~ (1/3 down) would take care of the cash pay-off. He was very willing to draw the papers for me if I locate anything good. R. says you simply take a quit-claim deed from the mortgager, which seems logical enough.

Yes, I wish you'd write Fitts a strong letter for me. Tell him that I expect to leave for Wx and Ny as soon as the bill is passed by Congress. That Black has promised to do all he can to help me (that is, if you believe it wise to divulge this). Also that I've applied direct to Walsh on a "when, as and if" basis, craving his indulgence for the premature nature of my application. (Walsh's)

It might also help to have a letter from Jimmy Mills---to Judson King. This letter should stress the great work you did to enlarge the market in Ala. for Shoals power. It should read something like this: "In addition to being a New York newspaper and magazine writer of some prominence, Mr. Walker is the son of Senator R.H. Walker who, etc" and thence into his dance about how you put a shellacking on the APCo. virtually single-handed in the last ditch Senate fight. You know the line; I've the idea, but am too vehement.

If you can fix up these two matters right away the track should be pretty clear for me in Wx.---barring such unseen hands as Fred Thompson's. I don't know how to handle him. What do you think?

Nyhoff's back: didn't see Rosey and doesn't know anything of importance to Roulhac or myself.

Flash on realty: If the Norris bill is passed Dam 3 will be built, of course. Saliba casually mentioned yest. that Miss Annie Wheeler's 3,500-acre estate probably would go on mkt. Any angles there for you? Also consider north side of river, around Rogersville, where you should be ace-high with Sandlin's, etc.

You'd better plan to get unfrozen over there as soon as the bill passes as somebody with \$3.75 in cash may show up here and panic the local real-tors.

I don't know anything else of importance. Try to get over here this week-end, or it's barely possible that we'll make it over there. The latter is unlikely, however, as I have a great deal to do to get ready for my trip East. P.S.--Can use any amount, no matter how small, of gelt. Love, etc.

*Bileen* (OVER)

Note to Ozro:-

I can, my dear Bernie,  
forget — but not forgive you. In other  
words, I'll bring you my old breadtrough  
driver — next trip —

Yr truly,  
Wm. C. Tilden, the two-eyes.