

January 3, 1972

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Dear Ed:

He who was lost has been found again. I am enclosing a letter of December 16 addressed to you in New Bedford which was returned for "better address" last week. Not only was the letter returned, but it had been opened and the enclosure was returned with it.

A few days ago I received a form notice from Mrs. Joan Rockett indicating that you are back at Bridgewater. I will look forward to hearing from you directly concerning the state of your health, and events of the last six or eight weeks. I hope that you may be finding the Alcohol Addiction Center considerably improved since ~~you~~ ~~you~~ relast stay there and, more important, that appropriate attention is being given to your other health problems.

The holiday season has come and gone and I am sorry to have missed the opportunity of sending you appropriate greetings on schedule. However, you were in our thoughts.

I'm enclosing the five dollar bill which was returned from New Bedford and hope that you will find use for it and that it will bring some comfort or meet some necessity.

Also enclosed are some sheets of paper and a self-addressed airmail stamped envelope which hopefully will facilitate your writing in person.

I have just returned to the grindstone this morning after a brief holiday. Our oldest son and his family were down from Chicago and our youngest son home from college. Our older daughter had to stay in the Boston area with her husband who is finishing his work at the Theological School in Newton this month. They'll be moving back to Lexington later in January.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon and with warmest best wishes.

Cordially,

Robert Straus,
Professor and Chairman

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Enclosure