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Dear, sweet, "daughter-o-mine"

The joy and happiness that is my lot because it is my privilege to regard you in a father-daughter relationship, you may never fully realize but I can assure you that is one of the most heart-warming and uplifting experiences that I have ever had and it will light my way with an all pervading radiance for the rest of my days.

"My heart leaps up when I behold
A rainbow in the sky." So wrote
William Wordsworth, but I can say,
in complete truth and honesty -
"My heart leaps up when I behold
you, Patricia, any time, any place,
under any circumstances. When I
come within a half mile of your apartment, my pulse quickens and I count
the blocks in anticipation, even
though you are not expecting me. I just
hope that you may be in and that,
for a moment at least I may see you

face or hear your voice. And any time I go down to the office (5123) I strive not to show the breathless eagerness with which I listen for your lilt-ing voice or glance quickly into the "back room" to see if anything has brought you to the Guild Studies desk for a few hours work.

I have been so happy of late over the fact that you are able to use some of Nera's clothes that I brought in and also that Connie and even your mother - shall I just say Doris? - can use some of them. I would prefer you to have any that you can use over anyone else I know and I am certain that Nera would give her own whole hearted approval. She was a pretty good judge of character and she would have promptly recognized your funda-mental goodness and your sweetness in dealing with others. I have never known another girl (or young woman, as you pre-fer) who was so consistently considerate of others, who always strives so hard to avoid hurting any one. Were Nera looking over my shoulder as I try to pick out things you might use, I know that she would strive to shower you with all the things that seem appro- priate - using, of course, much better judgement than I, as she had such a

superior clothes sense - and in general
a sense of the fitness of things. This was
one of her outstanding characteristics -
which explains why she left so many
friends and so deep an impression on
the community. It is also the reason
that so many of my memories of her
and of our years together are so rich
and rewarding - even when they are
tinged with sadness.

Incidentally, I felt sure that you
would be able to wear a number of the
pairs of gloves but I was overjoyed almost
to the bursting point when you said
that you'd be able to wear them all. You
look so well in gloves for you wear
them with such an assurance that
they always look completely right. I was
a bit fearful that you might feel that
the black sweater was too heavy for
you - not that I wouldn't want Connie
to have it if you couldn't use it - but I
did hope that you'd be able to use it
and I was delighted when you said
you could. It really is a beautiful black
sweater and I shall look forward to seeing
you wear it some one of these cool mornings
or days when a little extra warmth will
be welcome. And I'll swell inside with

pride when I see that you know
I'll never tell a soul except you -
or Connie, or your Mom.

I'm enclosing a leaflet (from my
bank) pertaining to wills and other matters.
On the last page taxes on gifts are indicated.
The marked sections show that a respectable
amount is exempt from taxation. Not until
the \$3000.00 sum is reached for gifts in any
one calendar year - is there a federal tax,
and not until the sum exceeds \$4000.00
in any one year is there a state tax. So you
would be wise to deposit what you have
in a savings account in a bank or
elsewhere & let it begin to draw interest
on a compound basis for you as soon
as possible. Also I am sure that, when
you open a savings account, no bank
official ever asks whether the deposit
comes from salary, dividends, gifts, or any-
thing else.

One other matter is on my mind
also. I'll all but drop on bended knee
& beg you to take my Ent 50. Insects &
Human Welfare - 1:30 M.W.F. Room 5326
I am sure that I am not being
conceited when I say that student
reaction to it over the years has been
that it is among the most valuable

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Your general education offerings. I'm sure that it will broaden your horizons, open up many vistas of unusual interest and prove to be abundantly worthwhile. Of course - speaking personally - it also will provide three occasions a week during which "My heart may leap up" for obvious (to certain persons) reasons. The inspiration to do my best in lecturing will be always present. Shall I cross my fingers and hope? The situation will give no stupid minds a chance to misinterpret anything.

There are lots of other things I'd like to write about - just because I like to talk with you - and writing is a kind of talking - but this is probably as much as I'm justified in for this time. And so, for now to you, the most vital, versatile, and never endingly fascinating young lady it has ever been my privilege to know to my "adopted daughter", with much love
Carl