

11:30 P.M. April 29 - '65

My dear, dear Patricia:

I guess John thinks your problem can be handled O.K. for you haven't called me back, but it hurts me to realize that you are ill at all if I can't do anything to help you. So please don't hesitate to ask me to do anything I can that you need or wish done - any time you need it. Just let me know and I'll be at your service. And remember that it gives me pleasure to do things for you - so you will not be imposing on me. I know that you try to spare me any task that you feel you can do for yourself. And I know that you have excellent practical judgment - often much better than mine - but I have the car and it makes so many things easy - so let me help all I can. I will be happier for it.

And while I'm in this vein - I must appreciate your sweetness in caring for me - admonishing me to "drive carefully" - sometimes I need to be told. And I never travel the outside lane on the highway any more without the in king of it as "Turtle Lane." I'll travel Turtle Lane tomorrow. I promise - and I'll be careful. I can't

afford to be careless — not only for
my own sake but since I must think
of you, too. I have told myself that I have
no right to risk any danger — for I
have no right to risk giving you any
little cause whatsoever for any degree
of sadness or misery because of
my recklessness toward myself. So
I promise you as I have myself that
so you'll have no need to worry
about me — I'll try always to run
no avoidable risks whatever. And
I'm looking right at your picture ~~now~~
as I write this..

I'll phone in the morning — not
too early — but doubtless before you look
in your mail box find this — to see how
you have made out during the rest of
the night. I'll not be going to Mev's Park
till after noon — as there'll be no
point in giving myself more than a
moderate leeway before I go to Superin-
tendent Fuller's dinner in the evening.
I'll allow time to get the extra rocks
for you and the rest of the books in the
Life World Series — and that's all I'll need.
In the morning I'll do school work.
There'll be papers from now till end-
semester grades are due! And so — now —
since I am tired and also need sleep —
good night, my
darling — in very truth — my darling daughter.
I much love — Carl