March, 6th, 1974
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Dear Jane:

Thank you so very much for taking me along to meet your friend Bert. I was very pleasantly surprised to find that he was such an up-to-date and informed fellow...he and I share the same radio stations: KGO in San Francisco (a 24hour talk show) and KCRL in Reno which is giving a lot of air time to symphony music (an increasingly rare thing these days) I think Bert and I could become good friends. Ever since reading "The face of the Clam", I have been intrigued with the whole idea of life in the dunes. And now, thanks to you, I've become acquainted with one of the dune dwellers.

I hope you enjoy the little picture story that I put together. These were the best of the snapshots ...Just as we were leaving I got the one of Bert smiling.

In the sketch of Bert's place I put in the two rabbits that he told us about, and if your eyes are particularly sharp, there is something that resembles a thrasher just to the right of the board walkway.

I have been thinking about our friend Bert and his personal welfare, and I think that in his best interests, I will forego the marketing of the lithographtfor fear that if the public should find out about Bert, it might jeopardize his enchanted world. Perhaps at a later time if his situation should change, we might do something with it.

I prepared and printed six copies of the enclosed picture pages, one set for each of us: you, Bert, Millie, Dan, Eddie, and myself. This is really a limited edition!

I did not frame the drawing since the Post Office will not accept anything with glass. If you would like to drop by my little shop some weekend, I'll frame up yours and Berts so that you can take them with you; (No charge, of course.)

I would appreciate having Bert's mailing address so that I can send him things once in a while.

Thanks so Much!

Your Friend, Don Bulliams

P.S. Hope you will send these copies on to Bert, Millie, Dan and Eddie for me.

(unless you want not to do so) for any reason. Its up to you.

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