

Aug 25th 1966

Dear Dorothy -

This envelope has been addressed for days and the dollar to send you for subscription to "Newsletter for Diet" - who always mentions in his letters of talks with Leadbrand of things up home & should join up & know what's doing in the county of his birth! (as usual don't mention me!) About Johnny Bite' - "Johnny behind the gun" or "behind the rock" - In spite of Elderbrand's fancy spelling of his name - when he worked for us years ago it was Bite' - (Siter accent on the e) he was a small man & quiet, but quick on the trigger and got in the shooting scrape that gave him his "name" during the boom days in the 1900's, somewhere amongst my notes, clippings etc. For the article of his death, the last time I saw him was in June 1931 in Beatty - looked him up as I wanted him to meet my boy and we had a good visit reliving the old days of Dogmings, Acharren, John Barricart, Scotty - Shorty Harrie.

Chris Nicht - John Le Moynes and his tragic
death. Charlie Brown and all the real
miners & prospectors of those days. Rhyolite?
Bullfrog, Greenwater - Skidos - he was ^{Rhyolite}
in all of them - Ballarat - Milledraugh -
not often in Darwin - his stamping grounds
was Death Valley country. He died not too
long after & went on to join his pals. I
was glad to have the visit with him, when
I was little he called me "the girl with the
horses & dogs & so independent". And also
the gag he pulled on a credulous bunch
of friends about the cross legged monkey,
camel etc. and of course news men will
fall for any yarn.... I'm busy painting
the outside of my house, almost finished
except for a fresh coat on the white trim
looks "mighty nice if I do say so about it".
A feel of fall in the air after an unusually
nice summer for "these here parts" and
a threat of rain which we do need, every
thing so very dry, but it can hold off a few
days longer so I can get the paint job
out of the way... Had a happy surprise
on Sunday the 7th when Al & Hazel Hughes

3) and Tylene come to see us - were on their way home from Portland where they had been to see Eddy & Lavina Hachstetter, also former Lone Piners. Hughes are in Las Vegas the past 15 yrs. and are the ones I went to see 2 yrs. ago & had such a fine visit and long round about trip home. Speaking of trips, that was a wonderful one. Candy & her folks had - nothing like going places and seeing things! I told myself when I started this it would not be another one of my long drawn out affairs, so with that I say Adios and hope it finds you well and not over-doing. Take Care.

Love from
Elizabeth.

Agnes Reid flew away to Montana to visit her sister & having a good time - 50 yrs. they did not see each other until a couple ago - now they try to make it once a year. Give a stack of letters to answer!
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