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My dear Benjie,

Thank you for your letter of 29th September which I received on the 3rd October with ENCLOSURE intact! Thank you very much for it.

However, to answer your question honestly, it cannot see me through November, unless, that is, I carry the debts I had hoped to settle this month.

You will no doubt have heard from Dr. Wynberg that we have laid a carpet in the Lounge. Now the sun here is terribly hot; it is scorching. Our curtains in the Lounge have been burnt white where they meet. We thought we should get Roller Blinds to protect them. There is also the question of a stove and wardrobes for the room. We are concentrating on essentials at the moment and are not even thinking of replenishing our wardrobes.

In addition, my mother and my brother are spending a month with us, to be joined on the 16th October ^{by} my mother-in-law and Dr. Ribeiro and his wife. That means not only additional expenditure on food but also the purchase of some STATUS-SIGNIFYING items!

I'm sorry to have to list these things and appear ungrateful. Put the truth between us; that is our bargain.

Dr. Wynberg was going to suggest to you that you both apply to the BOSS Head for permission for me to visit him and, if fortunate, fix my visit to coincide with your great day and so perhaps kill two birds with one stone.

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As I told you permission to attend my brother's confirmation service has been refused, what hope ^{is} that it will be granted for a marriage of "LIBERALS" — white at that!

It was a pleasure to hear Jenny's voice. I hope we meet some day and put our friendship to the test!

I'm glad to hear Anne has already managed to restore your peace of mind. Your leading articles showed the poise I'd known you to have. I hope to meet her soon and am sure I'll like her; if she loves you she deserves my sympathy!

Veronica passed on to Durban to see her sister. I received a telegram from her on Wednesday. I don't know whether she completed the business that had taken her to Johannesburg.

I'm quite busy here, sweeping the floors and dusting the tables, suing and pleading on behalf of recalcitrant clients.

I have received the forms from Waterford and will be sending them back soon. Incidentally, the children have received the books, but inform me they have no time to read anything else besides their textbooks. They are writing in November.

If you are hard-pressed dough-wise, as you should be with a wedding on your hands do not

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hesitate to tell me so and I'll put off some of the commitments I intended to make - against Veronica's will. She wouldn't mind the house remaining empty. It's not OUR house is her contention!

God's blessings on you and your bride!

In this period of drought I can express my good wishes no more suitably than by applying the Tswana greeting!
PULA! MAY THE RAINS POUR!

Yours Affectionately,



BOB.

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