

Jan Howell



DECORATIVE ACCESSORIES

March 7, 1958

Dear Tami:

It was nice to get your note and also the sweet notes from your children; I just wish I could have brought them more interesting things from Mexico. So sorry to learn that the Chicago bug caught you in its grip too after you returned home from San Francisco....unfortunately it does hang on a long time...I still have coughing spells but am feeling much much better again.

The weather certainly has been awful....cold and then a terribly bad rain storm with the brook behind our house just a foot or so below the flood of three years ago when our house was flooded...with winds so strong that a big patch of shingles was blown from the roof...over the living room area with resultant water damage....now we'll be having a new roof which thank goodness the insurance company pays for. We've both had our woes haven't we, what with storms of this kind and your fire? I was sorry to learn from Martha that you had damage to your house in the recent bad storms there. I'll certainly be glad when spring arrives.

Re Chicago: When Henri asked me to help you the first week of the show he mentioned \$100, plus all expenses, plus round trip air from Chicago-New York. The expenses at the hotel which were charged to you carried through Wednesday...the Thursday I helped out in Elizabeth's showroom my expenses were transferred to her bill. So the expenses we are clear on, except for the two dresses I had cleaned/pressed and the two office phone calls I made plus the hot water bottle and the thermometer. I worked Friday through Wednesday, total six days. Compensation can be figured in two ways...as originally suggested by Henri...\$100 plus \$80.40 tourist round trip NY/Chicago..\$180.40, prorated for six days is \$155.40, less charges for drugstore, phone calls and valet (don't know total as I didnot see the bill). Or, you can pay the \$100 prorated 6 days @ \$14.30 per day, plus tourist penalty for Chicago stopover from Mexico City, \$26.00, with no additional hotel expenses to me except the drugstore bill for the two items, thermometer and hot water bottle, approx. \$5.00. which comes to \$106.70. On this latter plan I am passing along to Takahashi the airflight savings, but I do not think I should

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have to pay the penalty for the stop-over in Chicago.

Hope this is clearer than mud to you.

Best regards to all of you.

Jan

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Dear Jan:

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