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Dear Robert & Ruth,

Bet you thought I was going to keep these books?! Well, NO!! It just takes a long time for me to get copying done at work. I have to wait until the afternoon when everyone is gone and the phones seldom ring and few customers come to the front counter. Besides, I have been "on vacation" an awful lot the last couple of months so haven't had a lot of time in the office to copy the books.

I still have one book to copy and I should be able to do that very soon. However, I wanted to get these back to you now that I've copied them. SINCERE THANKS FOR CHECKING THEM OUT AND LOANING THEM TO ME. THANKS A MILLION!!

Did you enjoy the material that I sent you about the Albert Frantz murder trial? What did you think? Also: Have you seen the book that I sent home with Alice? It is a <u>Supplement</u> to <u>Frantz Families -- Kith & Kin</u>. It has the Albert Frantz info but also an awful lot of other information that I couldn't add to the original books because of size. Alice was interested in the Michael Frantz writings in German. There are many, many pages of that information -- plus the transcriptions from German to English. Also: Wills and Land Patents, etc., etc. If you haven't seen it, ask Alice....

I had a wonderful time at Church of the Brethren Annual Conference in Long Beach. I met Mary (I'm sure she has told you). I had very, very, nice visits with Mary!! Enjoyed her a lot!! Bless her heart, she picked up on my enthusiasm about moving to Indiana, and she did some "networking" for me and I almost had a job and housing before I left Long Beach. It was awesome! I was asking: "Lord, what do you want me to do? Shall I quickly break up housekeeping in California and move to Indiana?"

Well, I've put a "FOR SALE" sign in the window of my mobilehome and I'm beginning to give stuff away. I also have a big bag (started) for give-away to one of the thrift stores. I won't even mess around with a yard-sale; I'll just give away! I've already check, with Los Angeles County Retirement Board and I know how much monthly retirement I can expect. I haven't checked with Social Security yet. Maybe I'll just draw my L.A. County Retirement for several years -- and work part-time in Indiana -- before drawing Social Security.

Bob and Ruth, I don't know how soon I'll get to Indiana. I'm taking one day at a time. I have an awful lot of genealogy-stuff to make decisions about. I wish I was "caught up" with all the genealogy that I have. However, I have a tall stack of stuff waiting my attention. I also have many, many books borrowed from an Old German Baptist Brethren "cousin" in Modesto. I had hoped to get into those books and extract any valuable information. I'm praying for guidance: "Lord, what do I do?"

It is terribly hot here! We've had an unusual amount of humidity so the "evaporative cooler" doesn't work very well. For several days, it has been about 100 degrees inside my mobilehome. It is a relief to come to work where we have refrigerated airconditioning.

Well, I've had a number of phone calls and had to spend some time at the front counter. I think I've been away from this letter for about one hour. Now I've totaly lost my "train of thought" and don't know what to write about. Guess I'll close.

SINCERE THANKS (again) FOR LOANING ME THE BOOKS. The Flory books are particularly value to me. Now I need time to get the information into the computer!

Very best wishes to you two, and to your loved ones.

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P.S. The other book is for your reading pleasure or give to the library.