

December 12th, 1933.

My dear Sam:

Your night letter came this morning:

" Belle Kendall is short of funds stop she asked loan of four hundred dollars stop shall I give Belle Kendall four hundred for you stop think you not I should care for her because I pay four thousand other people stop you will receive estate payment this month telegraph reply"


To which I answered:

"Please remember our agreement about Belle all her family are hard up including brother Walter I am not interested in helping them through her or to give Belle money to pay her old debts If you promise to leave it all to me I will send Belle twenty five dollars beginning this month".

As I see it, the difference between a loan and a gift is that in one case, it being a loan, you do what you want with the money and in the other, it being a gift, the donor may feel that he could have some say in the matter. I never felt very happy about the incident when you were asked to help Belle last year. They had told you that Belle was personally out of funds and when I asked her about it she told me that me that someone had been bothering her daughter Annis about a debt, so Belle gave her that money. It is quite possible that Belle did not know the background of your having given her the money and if she did not then she should have been told by some one in the family. It is only right to use the money for the purpose for which it was given. In speaking of financial matters, Belle told me that she owed the bank some money, as I remember it, it was four hundred dollars and if that is what she wants four hundred dollars for, I am not interested in helping the bank to get their loan.

I think Belle is a brick to stay by the Aunts as she is doing and I am more than glad to help make things more comfortable for her but if the money is for anybody else, I want to know about it before I give it.

I am not mailing Belle the check for twenty five dollars until I hear from you.



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