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Dr. Elmer Pey Sanders
4110 - Yoakum Bldg
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Lander's.

2745 - Cate P. P.

Birmingham

Ala.

Home - Thursday

Dear old Boy Beautiful

Another week - and we

are within $1\frac{1}{2}$ days work on

the yard - He plowed up the

patches that once were in

strawberries and are making

a lane there - Thus connecting

the orchard and the small

lane where the coke trucks

unloaded into the basement.

All around this I extended

to the garage via Cullman

Ave. We have made a

remade the permanent

border. It is now about

10 ft wide instead of 6 ft

as before. It seems to us

that the present planting

will give us straight lines

of color, in season, from

March till frost. Also

this calls for remaining

the beds close to the

house. All this has been
aided by "Oct bright blue weather"
and our willingness to do.

Lots of fun really.

Guess you have lived &
learned & made one whole
week's progress, since you
last wrote.

You have another week's
important experience to
fit you for the council
table - either with the
group in Houslow or
Hughhey, Al Jerry & Dave Hohy
I'd when you & they are
in the drivers seat.

We wonder if Sam Jerry
is Al's cousin? It seems
that Al was reared by an Uncle
near the Fairlys, Walter Hooper
is of this family. The father
owned & operated the drug store
in the City Hall here.

Spring to turn a little early
to get blue grass & clover seed
for our lawn. By getting it in
this dry pulverized form
rain will firm it. Luck & God

D. K. S.

HOTEL STATLER NEW YORK

noon - Thurs
Dear Loues - I am really
luxuriating in this hotel
life for a couple of days -
a wonderful treat + it'll
be just as wonderful to be
home again. 7th instance -
B. got up at 7:30 am to
get to his 9 am meeting -
+ me - I just rolled over +
slept + woke + slept till
I just wanted to get up -
which is now - high noon
- + lie time any self re -
specting gal was up +
about.

I shall go eat me a huge
brunch & then wander
thru the stores till 5 PM
when I'll meet William
back here & will have
some sort of fun this
evening & drive home
tomorrow.

10 AM Thurs.

We're up & fed & will do a
bit more shopping. Then
will be on our way
to Pa. Had no luck w
getting a coat yesterday -
this Milium thing I

thought would be so grand
must not be very good after
all - L+T had 1 coat lined
with it, as did Altman's
on the road home -

So good to be heading for home.
Last night we started in about
5:30 P.M. - went to 2 cocktail

parties - one given by Pressed
Steel Tank Co. + one by
American Meter Co. - then
both of them invited us
to dinner - we went w the
Pressed Steel people, in the
Cafe Rounge of the Stalter -
dancing + a \$5.50 cost

beef dinner - golly. The prices
are terrific. Mon. noon - at the

Westwardland club

Got home Fri about 5 P.M. -
Fri night went to hear
Danian Kellens speak. The
one from Conn. who got all
the publicity in re not

wanting to do the collecting
of the withholding taxes from
her employees - quite a gal
she is. Had dinner guests
Sat night + Sun night + this
A.M. started on my week
of jury duty. They give us
2 hours for lunch so I'm

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Spending it in style at the
club. The whole procedure of
a court is certainly a slow
& deliberate process - we were
asked to appear at 9:30 AM
& absolutely nothing happened
till 10A.M. then everything
piled along at a snail's
pace till I was finally drawn
on a jury at 11:30 A.M. - &
golly, if I ever saw a bunch
of mostly stupid people, it
was that jury. There was
absolutely nothing to the case
we were asked to decide.
A judgment had already been
given vs. a man who had,

with his tractor, on Nov 12, 1949
knocked down a pole carry-
ing hi-tension wires & be-
longing to the Scranton Elec.
Co. The Elec. Co. had already
brought suit - the man, whose
residence is in NY, had not
even appeared so judgment had
been granted the Elec. Co. Over
only 700 sq ft the judge, is
to determine the amount of
damages to be paid the Elec.
Co. 2 of their men presented
the bill which came to
\$440.16 - & we gave it to
them & that was all - didn't
doubt demand what the F M
will bring - its an interest
ing experience - but golly -

now I know why it costs
so much to take any thing
to court - all those men
have to get paid for taking
their time!! The main thing
that annoys me tho is the
caliber of the people on the
jury - honestly, they seem so
~~ordinary~~ - but I guess an
awful lot of people are, you
can see how a slick lawyer
could sway them - & how
judges should be really good
fine & true to keep things
well in hand.

Did I say thanks
for the check for Idune
key's present - I hope she

loves it like I do.

All's well here - B. is
planting bulbs - I got a
woman near us to wash
all the windows + storm
windows last week so
we are clean + sparkling
in that department - She's

a big house + strong +
good to have access to. B.
told me to go ahead + have
her once a week - so I
guess I will.

Be sweet loves -
all our love

B + S

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Don't miss probably go like Dorothy Schultz

Birmingham Is Developing Sizeable Group Of Writers

BIRMINGHAM POST-HERALD

Birmingham may someday surpass Tuscaloosa as the home of its novelists and short story writers. The reason is Robert O. Bowen's creative writing class, now in its second year at the Birmingham Center of the University of Alabama.

Mr. Bowen, a published novelist himself, is encouraging writers in this area to keep writing and to try to publish their material.

Some of his class members have done just that.

One student, Mrs. Aubrey Carney, of 402 Meadowbrook-in, has published two novels — "No Certain Answer" (Harpers) and "No Odds, No Victory" (Scribners)—yet she is taking the course to keep in touch with other writers. At present she is working on a third novel.

Mrs. Esther Rennick, of 3530 24th-st, n, has had considerable success in selling articles on music to publications on both sides of the Atlantic; however, she wants to learn to sell fiction writing, having written two unpublished novels.

"I have collected 176 rejection slips," said Mrs. Rennick, laughing. Mrs. Rennick, a music teacher, has published a children's book,



CREATIVE WRITERS—A student who would like to sell short stories and one who has had two novels published discuss writing with their instructor, Robert O. Bowen, at the Birmingham University Center. The novelist is Mrs. Aubrey Carney (right) and the other is Miss Augusta Noland.

Miss Augusta Noland, of 2832 Bal-moral-rd, Mountain Brook, is also interested in learning short story writing. Her only other experience at creative writing was in a course

at Mount Holyoke College in Massachusetts.

However, Miss Noland worked for The Birmingham Post woman's department at one time and also wrote a series of articles about a European trip for the Post.

Mrs. Frank Gafford, of 59 Main-st, Homewood, another housewife, is a former employe of the Age-Herald woman's department.

Mrs. Gafford, at one time a student under James Saxon Childrens at Birmingham-Southern, is learning short story writing in Bowen's class.

Bowen is the author of "The Weight of the Cross" and of several short stories published in such quarterlies as A. D. and Western Review.

The class meets Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:55 at the Birmingham Center.