



Dear John:

Sept. 6, 91

Thank you for your note of Sept. 3. I hope your vacation was a success but I know it must have been blunted by the loss of your good friend Paul Walsh.

I'm still in residence at St. Anne's but have taken a room til November 1st in Palm Springs for my days off and for accessibility to doctors and hospitals.

Since we last corresponded I've had [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I seem to be healing well for an old athlete but am hampered by the allergies. Thrice have I besought the Lord regarding these thorns of the flesh and been told: "My grace is sufficient for thee".

In your letter of June 10, 91 you suggested that I ask for either "extended sick leave or permanent disability" Although I would prefer the "permanent disability" status I am fearful of any reduction in income that it might entail. I barely get by now. One cannot survive in California without a car and its mighty costly.

My doctor is working (slowly) on a letter to you as you requested and leave it to your good offices to decide whether to put in for "permanent disability" or "extended sick leave"

If, as you said in your letter, the benefits are the same then it makes no difference to me and in fact might add some stability to my life to be "permanently disabled".

Wax up those skis and get back up on those slopes.

cordially,

Paul of the Desert
Paul R. Shanley

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