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Replied
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Dear Hilda & Rusty,

How are you both? -

Enjoying your new environment
and keeping well, I hope. We
are experiencing similar weather
I should think, as it's been
exceptionally hot recently with
temps around 80°F for days.

Apparently the best summer
already since 1976. At least we
have been spared from continuous
grass mowing, but the garden,
especially veg., has suffered from

lack of rain. -
However last night
we had a terrific
thunder storm, lightning going
on for hours afterwards, and
today is very hurried & dull, so
the time to get down to a
few letters.

I've been very undecided
whether to write to you or not
for the past week or so, but
feel perhaps you would have
wished for someone to let you
know of the disturbing events
which seem to be going on
concerning your tenants.

Apparently the police
are very interested in their

activities and numerous police cars are seen coming & going. Enquiries have been made at the Post Office as to any dealings and everyone wonders why they keep 2 absolutions in the house all the time, only letting them out very late at night - between 11-30 and 1.30a.m. - And why they had a big load of pebbles delivered to cover the yard soon after they arrived - Presumed to about - the dog of anyone's presence!

M^r Delahay is almost never seen during the day - I only met him one Sunday at the Playing field etc. and it seems strange the number of different cars that

have passed through their hands in such a short time. - This, according to near neighbours. Actually, during the intense police activity Joyce and Ray were away on holiday. I talked to Joyce last night, and they felt perhaps it would be wise to give you an inkling of what's been going on, especially as they understood the Delahays were interested in purchasing the property, and their finances may have need to be desired.

We have Beck's parents and Walter here for 2 weeks, but today Beck goes off to France for 10 days. Her parents

will pick her^s up at Dunkirk
on her release, and take her up
to Frankfurt for further holiday.

She worked hard over the exam
period, so we hope she will
have good results in August.


Village life goes on much
the same, but there's been
much more hay making this
year, instead of silage, due to
the lovely weather. Kevin Boyd
has been quite cheerful, and
it's nice to see so many square
bales about instead of the
massive round ones.

Now I must think of
catching the post, but I do
hope I haven't bored you too

much anxiety. - Joyce may try
to contact your daughter
through her friend at the
Health Food shop, and Dulcie
Jones said she might have a
ward with your nephew Nick.
Whatever happens, I'm sure you
will be glad to know of
the local gossip!

Greetings from us all,
and kindest regards

Betty K.



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