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My dearest Alan,

A letter from Patrick came today, + as I have to ration my correspondence I'm writing to you + asking you to forward it to him. But of course I know I owe you at least two letters anyhow! My mail is so colossal (100-120 a week just now) that I cannot cope, even with secretarial help +, as you well know, it's the personal letters which get left. I am thankful for Patrick's + your reassurance - Truly I think it a great pity to extract one phrase or so from the report of our speech + then to assume that I am saying nothing else! I have tried desperately hard to present a fair + just picture of "white" S. Africa: but I'm not going, at this late date, to soft-pedal. Anyhow I promise you both that the last thing I want to do is to add to your difficulties. The interest in racial affairs here still staggers me + is v. frightening to deal with. eg: at Sheffield I had over 3,000 + at Wells Cathedral 2,000 - + in a tiny Somerset village 3-400 - + that after 3 months silence! But my guess is that it's a deeper, spiritual void here that needs filling -

I took the grave liberty of printing that wee poem of yours Fraternity leaflet: please forgive me: but I wanted it read!

wee saying that I miss you ALL. I'm getting along: but because I'm so busy I can't stop to think of what

Am missing! When I do, it's like the bloke with an amputated limb: the ache all comes back. So it's better to go on: or try to. And certainly God does make up for it in a marvellous way.

Thank you, dear Alan, so much for looking after Stephen + co: they do appreciate it enormously + write to tell me so.

Has "Phalarope" appeared in N.Y.? And what about the photographic book with Weiner (wh. I've promised to review, by the way!) And Livingston? All submerged in liberal Party Politicking? I hope not. Please give my best love to Dorrie,

All affectionate greetings + God bless you always: your asthmigent, impenitent, choleric but DEVOTED Trevor GR.

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