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Dear Rosa and Murray:

Thanks for the surprise copy of ISLAND YEAR. I had one left. I also wish I had a baker's dozen of ISLAND IN THE SOUND instead of none. I get calls about every day from the Island store and just people and it has been many weeks since my scout has been able to find a single copy in any book store. I was depending on that one for groceries.

I have just now read your 50 Plus article about smallpox in Tacoma, and it took me back to the Spring of 1918 when I was going on 14 and in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade in Town School, two miles from home. We all came down with smallpox and were put under quarantine by Doc McBride, who ventured no closer than the front porch even tho my mother all but died of the disease and I almost didn't graduate. Because I had missed taking the county examination required for high school.

My kind fundamentalist teacher wrote the county supt, and he sent a special exam in every subject. The one that almost floored me was grammar... All them participles and dependent clauses.

Love,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Hazel".