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Tuesday Eve.

6:15

Dear Dale:

Well, Budder. I never thought that at 20 years of age I'd be making a will & hope you can help me to do the same at that age or for a young man. In law terms all it amounts to is that all I own or own in the future will be yours in the event that something should happen to me. Should I happen to become married to Ruthie, I would, naturally, have to change it but until then. You are now sole heir.

As you know, I have already signed over my \$10,000 Insurance to you.

Clear in the part as to what I would like you to use the insurance, etc. for: A college education. You know how much our Parents have always wanted better of us to get a college education. The chances were disrupted by this war but it & when I am discharged, I am going to return to school & get that education. I saw "it & when" he

cause, in spite of how much faith I have in you,
something could happen to me one day. Of course,
you don't have to attend to me but as a personal
favor to me, I wish with all my heart that you
would take advantage of that opportunity then!
In case I should

whether in cash, bonds, or otherwise, that, too,
would become yours + the provisions of the will
state that it is to be entirely at your dis-
posal + used as you desire. That's just the way
I want it because I know that you will consult
Dad + Mom before doing anything of any great
extent with it. I also ~~to know~~ know that in the case
that they happen to me, one of them that you would
gladly use it to

As to my personal belongings: the
watch, rings, etc., they, of course, will belong to
you but I'd appreciate it if Dad's silver dollar were
returned to him. Mom's wedding ring to her, +
Beth's class ring to her. I know that you would
give them all up + want them to be returned to their
proper places.

There is no one I'd rather see have everything
than you but I'm sure that neither of us wants
this "Last Will + Testament" to be needed but it is
— in this case —!

You are the best brother + buddy that a
guy could ever have. Dale. in 50 years
around in school + all. I'm as proud of you as I
am of anyone! We've been around with each other
often but never seriously + always would have done
anything for one another. I am glad + proud to
be your brother + Pal. Dale. + know that we will
always continue to be the very best of buddies!

There are a good many other things that I could
say, Dale, but the words
+ I'm sure their meaning —

Thank you for everything. Kids. be cool. all the
luck in the world. + God Bless You!

Your Lovin' brother + buddy,
Dale