May 10, 1967

Dearest Mama + Papa:

Forgive the nasty non-letter-writing, but with doing the Knack every day and then immediately starting on Johnny Johnson, I haven't had a night off since you were here!

Thankyou thankyou for your sweet telegrams re "Knack" and thank the Achards and Nina, who wrote a sweet letter, too. How is Mama?? Better with Abano?? After you left I got a terrible cold, got over it, and then got another one. It's the damn weather out here - it's starting to get hotter, but at night it becomes freezing again. The record came out!! Mr. Plumb said he would send you five. Did you get them?? I think they sound great! Paul wrote a very complimentary letter about

P.S. I am enclosing a poster and a program from the KNACK - the program is slightly overpriced by eleven, including me - I could have gone out, and the only other item I could find

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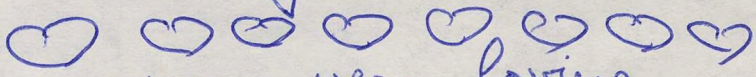
- $500.00) we can come to Europe maybe late in the summer — August or September. OK??? Florida turned us down, and things are (thanks to you) looking so bright right here, that I feel it would be foolish of us to go off into Wyoming and waste away the summer just to have a weekly check. This way is more risky, but eventually is the most reasonable!!

The pictures came out very badly, I was extremely dissatisfied. They don't look natural, and I am not happy. I will send you some new ones when I get them done. Flora's, on the other hand, look smashing!!

I love you I love you!!! I wish you both all happy landings, good travels and concerts, good health — merde!

Flora and I kiss you!



yours very loving

Johnny