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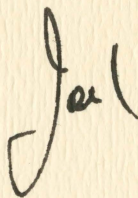
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Dearest Thelma,

The post just came with your gift in one envelope and your note in another. I am sorry that I can't make it this Sunday, but I will be there soon. We are doing a little antiques show in Opelousas this weekend. It is not much of a show, but rather important to our business because it is so close to home and gives us good exposure. So we are busy preparing things to put on display.

I was excited to hear about the Donahoe possibility. I have long thought that you would be a natural for that kind of talk show and think of the millions of people you would be able to tell about the book. I think someone gave mother the book he wrote about himself. If I can find it, I will bring it to you when I come.

Much love,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joel". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.