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My dear Alan,

Quite apart from your letter, I have been reading this morning an account in the Rand Daily Mail of what appears to have been a very good talk that Jonathan gave up at the University recently. It is nice to know that he is following in papa's footsteps. I was very sad indeed to have your news about Dorrie. I suppose it is stupid of me, but I hadn't realised how ill she is. Please give her my love. I have no idea when I am next going to be in Durban because I have been in the States for seven weeks and although this wasn't a holiday I am finding it difficult to square a holiday with my conscience so soon afterwards.

I will get this Bishop Stuart chap to drop you a line when he passes through Johannesburg and I am so grateful to you for agreeing to see him on Friday, September 1st.

I am so glad that you are writing Geoffrey's life and I would like very much to talk to you about it. I think it is much too difficult to do it in writing, really, but if it isn't urgent I could spend a few hours with you when I am next down your way and talk about the various things which you suggest concerning him in your letter. I did write to some chap in England, who was originally going to do this life, at some length and if I can lay my hands on this, which is extremely unlikely, I will send you a copy of it.

Yours ever, *with love*

*Geoffrey JB*