

age 66
Loomis
3 wks ago

J. Fred Harris
Watchman or Gateman
Custodian, Janitor

Call Milton

January 5, 1943
1020 S.W. 23 rd Ave.
Miami, Florida

Dear Doc:

I am writing this letter to you to ask a large favor from you. Today I received a letter from my mother telling me that dad lost his job with the county shops. Since I am so far away there is little I can do to straighten them out and I would like very much if you would call my mother or go and see her and offer your advice to her.

I know this is a pretty big order to fill but honestly Doc you are the only one up there that I can call on and depend on in an emergency. Dad has been in failing health for some time and since A.J. Anderson died he has no one to turn to when he needs help. Dad seems to be lost as to what to do next and I believe that this being let out of a job at his age is about to get him down. I only hope that your encouragement will help him recover. He feels that his age handicaps him too much in securing new employment.

It seems that every time that things go wrong I have to call on you to furnish the brain work but this time it is such a different situation. I think that every thing could be worked out satisfactorily if I were only there to help.

Before I was the problem and finances would work things out but in this case it isn't a case of finances for them its getting dad straightened out and offer a few good suggestions where he might obtain employment. I know anything that you can offer you will gladly do. From Moms letter I gathered that he has tried to get work at the Sunflower Ordinance Works at Eudora but she does not seem to be encouraged over his interview. I do not know what position he applied for but I think he could act as a guard or janitor or some light job. Anything in the heavy line would be too much for him to handle. A job in the open would probably do him more good than anything I know; especially work that does not require very much responsibility.

Please write to me as soon as you have talked to them and let me know what you think is best for him to do. Thanking you in advance for your kindness in this embarrassing situation I remain,

Yours very truly,

J. Fred Harris
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P.S. They live at 1044 New Hampshire St in the upstairs apt.

Freddie.