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DEAR ROBERT, I heard you was back in the slammer, you should havn known better Than to try it a second time, in the state of Alabama. I'm gonna miss your Midnight shows, and miss your early mornin' tokes, your big buddha face smilin' Out across the ocean. You were a good thief, you taught me what to steal, I Guess you know by now how much I took from you for real. I'll give it all back To you next parole for sure, and we can visit crazy Mary up in Camarillo.

DEAR ROBERT, I heard you was back under the hammer, should have known better Than to keep the badge you found from the police on the beach last summer, But while you're freshly shaved and down in weight we'll take that Cevrolet and Blaze all the way down to Mexico, we'll find that long lost valley we talked About so much, we'll disappear in smoke, then we'll emerge from the desert Dust, and enter that golden city, with restaurants, running water, and women oh So pretty.

DEAR ROBERT, when they took you last time I remember, the police light show was Bright like the 4th. of July, right in the middle of December, as I strolled by Your place, unnoticed in the crowd, who stood by in the red lights as they took You down. As you got into the police car, chrome bracelets on your wrist, wich Everybody knows can be painful with just a twist, but you just smiled at Everybody, the police knew for sure this was not their territory.

P.S. Robert I found the supermarket bag you left me, I'll smoke a little every Day, and as the smoke clears away, you come right back into my memory, yea, Robert, you should have known better.