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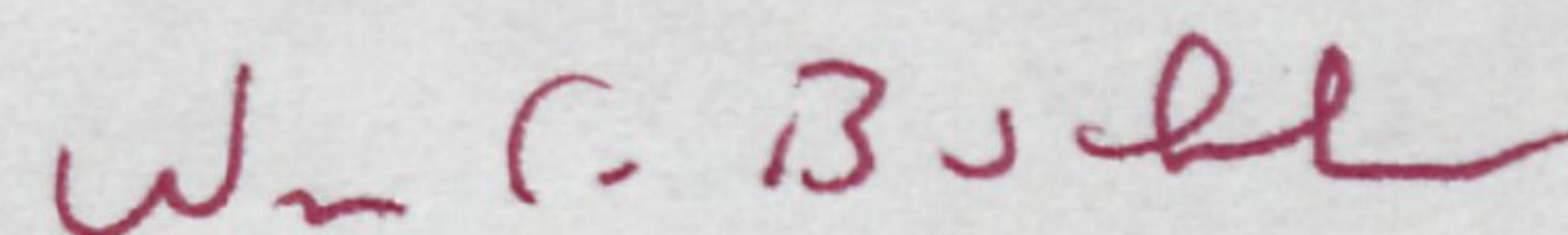
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Mr. Joseph Lynn  
9856 Rathburn Avenue  
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Dear Mr. Lynn:

I knew it, I knew it. There are the ghouls here and there who will eat one sour grape and have a fit of pessimism. Their specialty a few months ago was that my retirement as editor of National Review would depress you to the point of undermining your generosity and loyalty. I said nonsense, using a word not heard around the house (except when young people are in control), and you have proved me right. My editorial supervision ended but not my interest in the magazine, which I continue to own -- in trust, because it really belongs to you, who have kept it alive for these many years. Thirty-five years! And publicly hailed by George Will, who dealeth not in moonshine, as the most important journal of the century. That makes you a financier of the most important journal of the century, and I hope you take satisfaction in what you have made possible, even as we take pride in you as a friend.

Yours gratefully,



Wm. F. Buckley Jr.

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