

Dear Bill,

3/29/93

While checking some corrections Dave made in the new book, which I still think of as Never Again! with a descriptive subtitle, as I laid the discarded chapters aside atop a pile of them and remembering what you said about reading the previously-used side I wondered whether you'd like me to send them. What I have not added to the stack to be used is the final chapters. Reading them would be ~~w~~ without knowledge of what they are based on, the earlier chapters, ^{rather} ~~or~~ those preceding them because there are quite a few. Then, thinking further this morning, ~~about~~ what I might now, with all my limitations, be able to do if the friend I am hoping can place it with a publisher he represents and with whom he sometimes publishes books jointly, I ~~wondered~~ if they decline, if you know anyone who could be helpful. I have asked Dave to make a duplicate set of disks for me so I can have copies made locally. The college v.p. said they could do it with adequate instructions to give their computer. So, I should be able to make copies here, or have them made. (He has had most of the chapters retyped with a laser computer printer that makes cleaner, more cosmetic copies. The type is slightly smaller but the appearance is prettier and there are fewer pages. I presume that instruction can be given here if they have a computer laser printing capability.) So, while awaiting the return of a call, and then having to make the call to determine whether I have to check with the doctor on the clotting time of my blood on this morning's test, to see if I have to change the dosage, I'm writing to ask you if you think you have any connection that might be useful if I need it. After being turned down by so many agents with the first book, agents who would not even look at it, I've made no effort to get an agent. And have none. There will be some unusual problems but no point in going into them until there is a need. I know what this book is, can mean and can do. That does not mean that any publisher would agree. But with any publisher effort, this is, as Dave will tell you, one helluva book. As historian he says it is 'unprecedented'.

After I learn if I have to check with the doctor, ^{point} I'll be leaving for the post office. More books to ship today than would fit in the box. I think this includes yours but I am not clear. If it does not that means they have been sent, thanks.

Best
Heard