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Dear Max,

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I am surprised, disappointed and insulted at Yarmen's letter and your attitude. Before going specifically into Yarmen's charges let me point out that there is no reason why you "couldn't" send me the money or an inquiry during the past two weeks. I engaged to collect this data for you and to be paid exclusively on the basis of the time it took, and

that ~~is~~ the basis upon which you have erected your theory of the connection  
even now I have not so far as I can see standaoe ~~in~~  
with ~~whether~~ <sup>if</sup> ~~not~~ all the <sup>in</sup> fact that the you want to ~~be~~ <sup>be</sup> unavoidable; and  
likewise, another ~~of~~ <sup>of</sup> ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~you~~ <sup>you</sup> want to ~~be~~ <sup>be</sup> unavoidable; and  
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particular was being revised. Just as an example of what your failure  
to drop me a note since July has cost you: the Marine Corps here  
misunderstood my request that they send the 1st Dr. ex-Exchange Agent to have  
a certain Dr. Harvey sent to the 1st Dr. ex-Exchange Agent to have  
I had carefully written that message to them; without botching it up;  
I had no way of knowing up until I got back home that they would have never  
but had I had any reason to call them on the phone during the past week it

it would all have been straightened out pronto. As it is, I have given  
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the marine corps down here all the questions you asked me last night and  
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have been told theynwill send all the material to you in a few days.  
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So it must be obvious to you that you could have had this stuff, had  
Yarmen ever indicated that he ~~had~~ <sup>had</sup> received it. Remember, it was I  
who suggested that I pick it up and mail it myself and you who said to  
have them do it under frank.

In addition, the local recruiting office will send you everything <sup>they</sup> ~~they~~ can  
on recruiting, although the NY address I gave should have been able  
to supply more.

About the Coast Guard: I wrote Yarmen a long letter on this, with  
whatever data I could get. In the letter I refer to things sent that he  
claims never to have received. I also carefully and repeatedly explained  
not only that the whole thing was being revised but that it would not  
be completely revised until after Thanksgiving. I concluded this letter as  
follows:

...I do know though you will have more questions so please get them in  
here posthaste because I'll be out of town next week. If you have  
any problems with the here, after the 21st, Ensign Paul R. Roper at the  
3014, 1300 E. St., new Coast Guard Public Relations, will  
be available for any questions you may have.

And I had made this arrangement with the Petty Safety Readiness Assistant, which  
will now have to make me as fast. However you can't imagine  
what the hell more can be expected of me?

And that's another thing about the Marine Corps which you told your  
that he'd ~~promise~~ <sup>promise</sup> to send me all the stuff from your Navy files a  
quarter of a mile in length. Now they say you handle it, you handle it  
more or less. I don't know what you do with it, Cole, Roper, whatever it is, but I  
didn't get any of it. I mean, I don't know if you got any of it, I don't know if

never even I, at all. among the benefits is a need even if it's below it  
well, enough on that. It's just that whatever work I do I like to do well,  
but this is not the kind of work I like to do well, and I like to do well  
no matter how little or much I get for it. I can't work any other way,

. and we're not going to do well, and after rushing my balls off for you guys, dropping other, more profitable  
. work to do it (and I lost \$100.00 because of it, whether you believe it

or not, on a very simple thing that fell through because I couldn't  
get people to help me. This is the first and still I hope I will never  
give it personal attention. I thought it was taken care of, but, like the  
marines, it wasn't. I find that you are horsing around with paying me,  
and Yarmon is cooking up insults. And while on this subject, and his  
desire to know if I have a benefit's to benefit's to level  
grime about how much money it is going to cost: Just check over the  
number and kind of queries he sent me. He crapped around with what  
appears to me to be unimportant compared with what you now lack.  
Here is the situation, as of this afternoon, of the Coast Guard:  
First information I am given is on how you would get into the AGA. Now  
Riley Moore has spoken to Lt. Luth., who is in charge of the Cadet  
training. He will send you whatever they have printed or mimeographed  
I can't talk to him because he has gone for the day. She suggests, on  
his recommendation, that write me any specific questions you may have  
after going over what you get, and he says he'll answer whatever he  
can. So far as I'm concerned, I'd prefer that you write them to him,  
leaving me out of it, because I have too much to do. But if you prefer  
me to do it I will, providing you give me advance notice of at least a  
day, so I can try and squeeze it and my other work all in.

I wired you this morning "Coast Guard and Marine Corps material being collected and sent in day or two." That is what Riley Moore told me,  
and I expect the ~~Marine~~<sup>Special Agent</sup> Corps, as a consequence of my work, will do  
that. What I did for you today is for nothing, but any work I do for you  
following this on the book I can't do for nothing. I will do it at the  
rate we agreed on, if you want me to.

I believe you said last night you'd send me the balance due today. In case you didn't, please do so. It is something like \$21.00 for repayment of expenses and about \$45.00 for time. You have the exact figures.

Frankly, Max, I assumed you'd tell just what you wanted to do, so I  
didn't tell you what you wanted to do. I thought I would do what you  
would do if it were up to me. I thought I would do what you wanted to do,  
or will, for the work, at a rate I agreed to, but I did it more as a  
kind favor to the friend of a friend. Had I any idea I would be insulted,  
as I have been by Yarmon, or that you would play games about reimbursing  
my expenses and paying the balance due - or had I thought your estimate  
of the time required was an wrong as it was, I'd not have undertaken the  
work. And, from the things you wrote me and told me I thought you  
rather liked my work. This is also a very surprising turn.  
  
Well, now you know what the situation is. Unless I hear from you to  
the contrary, I'm finished with it. And it must be clearly understood  
henceforth that any work I do is on the basis of \$17.50 per hour  
plus expenses, to be paid during the week following delivery.  
  
I still hope your book comes along well, goes to press soon, comes out  
and sells so many copies you become a millionaire.  
  
Yours truly,  
Harold Weisberg