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Dear Harold:

I am enclosing herewith a check for the Army Engineering story and a check for your dispersements on the Labor yarn.

I haven't as yet heard from any of the people you mentioned in your letter of May 28, but I expect that I will either today or tomorrow.

I noted the changes in the McNutt article. However, I'm worried about a couple of things.

It appears as though so many changes are going on with respect to the War Manpower Commission that, by the time the issue reaches the stands (about July 15), we may be out of date. For example: Yesterday the newspapers spoke about the fact that men will no longer be able to leave their jobs and that they will be forced to register with the U.S. Employment Service. Do you feel that we should be covered on this point, or on others?

Another thing: In the story, McNutt speaks extensively about firms pirating laborers from one another. Do you think we should say this practice brought about the edict?

Do you see any possibilities in an article for the second issue with the byline of the Postmaster General of the United States? I understand that in the past few weeks the Post Office has been instrumental in uncovering certain espionage work. Let me know what you think. Incidentally, I don't believe that this should be the lead article, so don't let the suggestion interfere with your work on that score.

Kindest regards.

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