

Letter 10/26: with a little more use of the Olympia after I wrote you when I got up I am convinced that it is easily the best I can hope for and again thank you for going to that trouble and expense. I think I have made another discovery, rather confirmed an earlier belief. I make fewer errors using it. I think, as I thought before, that some of those errors come for the speed with which I type without knowing the touch system. I have to go much slower on the Olympia and I seem to make fewer mistakes with it. But because I am that much slower with it and because I do not have all that much time I'll keep it under my desk, where I cannot keep my legs, and if anything happens to this Hermes or if I can find a place that can overhaul it will then use it. In time I'll be able to use it faster but now is when I want to save the ~~the~~ time. I returned to this machine when I returned to writing and with it I finished the chapter I was working on without my mind going faster than my fingers, which is a problem sometimes.

The "W" missing in the second line above is not my error. It is what is wrong with this machine and it developed when I last had it in for a cleaning, with that company since closed up. That does come from speed. It does not happen at other times.

Again, many thanks.