

Dear Jim,

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My suspicion that the guy from the London Sunday Times was about to clip my stuff turned out to be correct. It is past, he told me last evening. He claimed a misunderstanding I do not find it easy to credit.

I got in touch with another reporter with whom my relations are good and who knows him. The second man "looked him in the eye," as he recounted it to me, and got the truth.

When I asked second if in his opinion Chester were capable of such an adventure his response was that he would like to be able to tell me not but he could not in good faith. He did say that of all he knows on that paper, he believes Chester least likely, which is less than an endorsement of the London Sunday Times.

Chester is really here to replace the vacationing regular Wash. rep., Harry Brandon, who is on vacation, and to do a couple of other stories.

He may still come up this weekend.