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Dear Harold,

You were right. We were away, and just returned last week. As soon as I got back I was informed we had a publisher for the Alaska book. Norton will publish it in November. So, I had a very busy week updating certain parts of the manuscript, etc.

You had asked about editing costs in your letter. I guess that would depend on how long your manuscript is, how long it would take to work on it, what their deadlines might be. Have you heard anything more from Zebra? I saw that Bud Fensterwald's book was on the newstands, but I just glanced at the front and back covers and so couldn't get a good idea of what he's saying in it.

Right now, I am doing some freelance article writing but I'm afraid if I can't get a ~~book~~ contract for a book about the Post, the strike, etc. that I may have to find a fulltime job and just do some outside writing when I have time.

Thank you for the information about the houses available in your area. I don't think we'll be able to do anything about it right now (not unless I suddenly get a book contract).

Let me know about your success with Zebra and what your editing needs would be. I hope you have some good news on your book, as all that's been happening here recently has been bad. The pressmen's sentencing last week; then a friend of ours died over the weekend, and now our neighbor tells us that the landlord is going to sell the house she rents and she'll have to move out soon.

Good luck.

Regards,

