

Dear Bill,

4/28/97

Baffled by your seeming not to understand that I asked for the prompt return of the Waketh epilogue I got out the letter I wrote Janice, copy to you, on March 21. So you'll not misunderstand I've highlighted my asking for its return. The time she took was the reason stated. She could not help that.

Will you please see to its return now?

That I should read and correct all written in such haste became clear again yesterday when Wrono said he's ~~sk~~ skimmed the Newman and Prouty disks and has some problems with the Newman he'll write me about.

That was retyped more than a year ago by a Hood student from Southeast East who was there for a year and then was going to another college. She delayed getting it to me until the day before she went to the other college so I could not make corrections in it. I do not expect to be able to do that now so I'll file what Dave sends with the file copy of that manuscript.

This epilogue could have been done by now if it had been returned when I asked.

When Jim Tague was here he was having a problem with the Archives. It refused to let him see the curbstone. He got his senator and congressman on it and they also were turned down. He had given the Archives our number in the event he'd left the motel by the time his call was returned and I spoke to the archivist, reasoning rather than arguing. Jim called after he was back in Texas to tell me they had let him see it after hearing from me.

He, too, can see it was patched. He thinks the patch was in the Lab but the patch was before it was dug out, before May, 1963, when he went <sup>gone</sup> back to take a picture to show his folks in Indiana and there was no hole then. And from my blue file the Gemberling report, <sup>8/5/64</sup> synopsis, which says that as of the time it was dug out to take to the Lab there was no hole. Quite a bit is now missing from that file. It is not easy to explain all of it as carelessness by those who make copies.

Please do get the manuscript of the epilogue, eleven chapters, back to me promptly so I can go over it and correct it after it is retyped.

best.

Harold