

Dear Dave,

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No response from Eagon. I suppose he is busy and also has his own problems.

Today some new file cabinets came so I have room and there is no pressure on the file folders. Buddy gave me to understand he'd prefer the special archival ones, but we don't have any. For now we are just storing the abstracts as we receive them. (I expect another batch tomorrow.) If we get archival folders we'll use them for you.

I got slightly damaged cabinets, damaged where it doesn't show or hurt. I'm sure Rae has already moved the abstracts into one intended for them, although I didn't check because first I was shopping and then splitting and stacking wood until she left.

This saved a little over \$100 on the four and they are just as strong.

We have arranged the file cabinets so that the new ones do not interrupt the continuity of those that are marked, with what they hold.

Thanks for the publisher's notice of your biblio. I have written Gardner to call it to his attention and when Lil does more copying will make copies of what you sent for him.

Good luck with it! Despite the price probably some buffs will buy copies. Let Penn Jones know and the word will get around.

It'll get down to freezing tonight but spring is here (and it was in the 70s today). The narcissus are now out, the tross are swelling and soon will burst open with bloom. The fish are nesting. I should have moved some places today but it is still too wet from several recent rains. This week I've been letting the fire go out in the morning and rebuilding it at night, so you know it is warmer.

My firewood stack is accumulating and I get much favorable comment because I've criss-crossed so it can air and dry better. I now have about 20 stacks six feet high, all together. They are the ^{width} ~~length~~ of a piece of wood cut to the right size. If it is not too wet I'll get the last of the swamp maple up, split and stacked tomorrow and then will have only what is in the woods to haul up. With the rest of what I've bought, if that still comes, probably most of what I'll need for next winter. And I'm hoping to get a little more done before it is too hot.

In 10 days tax season will be over and that will be a relief for Lil.

I've spoken to both Jim and Howard about them getting together and doing whatever Buddy asked Lil to have them do. Short of taking a club to them I don't know what else I can do. They are both busy, very busy, but I think that in the months that have passed if they'd not forgotten they'd have found time they could both take at the same time. Jim is aware. We spoke of ~~fix~~ it this past week.

best to you all,