January 10, 1957.

PERSONAL

My dear Sumner:

- I not only will be very glad to bear in mind your availability, but I have given considerable thought to your letter personally. Up to date my cerebrations have been unproductive, but I will keep at it.
- Possibly you will not care to put this in writing, but if you could give me some idea of the compensation that would cause you to consider any proposition, it might prove helpful.

 Possibly you might give me a phone call some day.
- Of course, I know nothing whatever about magazines, as is evidenced by our lousy Saturday effort. More than that, I have only a very foggy idea of the role you played with Crowell-Collier. I know of course that you came up along the editorial side, and I presume that your primary function was selection and editing of magazine copy. I know it's been a long time since you've had any close contact with a newspaper staff or a newspaper desk.
- I suppose it's reasonable to presume that from now on you're not going to be attempting any new tricks, and that your greatest value to some new employer will probably result from application of the knowledge and experience you now possess, than from attempting to roam in strange fields. However, If you have any idea, my possession of which could be of any value to you, let me know.
- While you and I have not always seen eye to eye, there are few men in the writing game to whose integrity, sense of humor, horse sense and sound Americanism, I pay higher tribute.

Cordially yours,

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