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DEAR HAP:

THANKS FOR YOUR LETTER OF THE 28TH JANUARY. I AM GETTING ALONG HERE QUITE WELL AND STAYING OUT OF TROUBLE. THIS IS A COMODITY WHICH THE AUI BOYS SEEM TO BE ABUNDANTLY ENDOWED. THERE ARE TIMES WHEN BROTHER LAMBERSON'S ACTIVITIES REMIND ME OF THE WELL KNOWN CHICKEN WITH ITS HEAD CHOPPED OFF!

THIS LETTER IS PROMPTED BY ONE FROM HARLOW SHAPLEY. HE IS WRITING ANOTHER BOOK AND WANTS A PICTURE OF HIS MIRROR AS IT WAS BACK IN WHEATON, ILLINOIS. UNFORTUNATELY I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING LIKE HE WANTS HERE. HOWEVER I REMEMBERED BACK TO A CONVERSATION WE HAD IN YOUR OFFICE DURING JANUARY 1956. I LEFT WITH YOU AN ENVELOPE WITH SOME NEGATIVES SHOWING THE MIRROR ABOUT 1938. THERE ARE NO PHOTOGRAPHIC FACILITIES HERE AND THERE WILL BE NONE FOR A YEAR OR SO. PLEASE HAVE A COUPLE OF PRINTS MADE BY SOME GOOD NEW YORK OUTFIT OF WHATEVER NEGATIVES ARE IN THAT ENVELOPE. THE 4" X 5" SIZE WILL BE GOOD ENOUGH. YOU KEEP THE NEGATIVES AND PLEASE SEND THE PRINTS DOWN HERE. I'LL PICK OUT SOMETHING FOR SHAPLEY.

I HAVE HUNTED AROUND HERE FOR A PLACE TO STRING UP SOME WIRES NEXT SPRING. THERE ARE PLENTY OF VALLIES BUT EVERYTHING CLEARED IS FULL OF ROADS, WIRES AND PEOPLE. THE ONES WITHOUT PEOPLE ARE COVERED WITH DENSE FORESTS. CIRCUMSTANCES DON'T LOOK PROMISING ON THIS MATTER. MAYBE I SHOULD GO BACK OUT WEST AND HAVE SOME MORE LOOKS AROUND WITH AL KELLEHER.

WHEN THE WEATHER MODERATES SO THAT TRAVELLING IS FUN, I WILL COME UP TO NEW YORK AND MAKE THE ROUNDS.

BEST REGARDS,

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GROTE REBER