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Dr. Grote Reber
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Wailuku, Maui
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Dear Grote:

This is a rather belated pickup of the correspondence into which you and Al Kelleher were launched during my vacation. I hasten to assure you that I have not been on vacation all this time, but have merely been rather slow in getting into active work during the couple of weeks I have been back. I am glad that Al was able to handle everything satisfactorily and with sufficient expedition to be well in advance of your deadlines.

The Australian adventure sounds encouraging as well as interesting. It is good to know that you are so thoroughly welcome and apparently have people vying with one another to provide facilities. I am of course curious as to the duration of the Australian work as nearly as it may be predictable and about the possibly indefinite time in the future when you will return to wrap up the work on Kole Kole at the higher frequencies. As part of the record we will of course be very interested in the reprints of the papers as they become available. As part of the overall record some general statement on the use of the money so far in Hawaii will be of interest but is certainly not required in any detailed statement form.

The field of Radio-Astronomy seems to continue to gain in popularity and finances. The recent announcements of the Carnegie funds for the big dish in Australia is just one of the more widely publicized big deals. We have had some talks with Lloyd Berkner and the Brookhaven group who are promoting a big central laboratory for Radio-Astronomy in the eastern United States. I understand that Cal. Tech. is trying to develop independently another big observatory in the West, and there must be a

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half dozen geographically intermediate ones distributed over the rest of the country. Even Research Corporation has succumbed further by providing Harvard with \$8,000 for the construction of a second mobile unit at the Agassiz Radio-Astronomy Installation. I should add however that this was with full internal understanding that the other commitment in Radio-Astronomy would not in any way be held against the support of your current or possible future activities if new requirements develop around you.

This has gone on to entirely too rambling a length already. I shut it off now with enclosure of Hogg's letter of July 14 to you whose return you had requested. As always, enclosed with it is our own very best wishes for the successful evolution of your own plans along the lines in which you can see your way most clearly toward continuation of the notable contributions you have made over the entire era of Radio-Astronomy. Will look forward to hearing from you around about the time of your departure for down under.

Best wishes,



Charles H. Schauer

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Enclosure