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Mr. Grote Reber
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Dear Grote:

Thanks for your letter of March second. As usual, you managed to pack quite a bit into rather limited space.

As regards finances, I have acceded to your request and eliminated the \$500 per month consultant's fee. Your logic on that score is unassailable. As regards the other item, we should be able to have the deposit of \$12,000 made to your account within the next week.

As you may have gathered, you bewildered Harlan Smith somewhat by your use of the Southern Hemisphere seasons when you wrote him. I imagine this is all squared away now, but we too will be interested in hearing of your travel plans when they start crystallizing.

It sounds as if the normal lag time is involved in your construction job. Actually, it seems quite encouraging that you are optimistic about getting into operation by late fall and having some early winter results.

The other assortment of things in your letter appear to be under control, thanks to Jennie. I should enter one note of explanation or apology as regards Derek Price's "Science Since Babylon," which you asked for sometime ago. As you suggested, I read it in full, not necessarily just the Diseases of Science, and found it quite interesting although I believe a few arguments could be entered against him in a few places. I then committed the error of lending the book to my older son, but hope to have the book back by next week-end and get it on its way to you.

Mr. Grote Reber

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Things continue at a brisk trot around here. We are preparing for our annual shindig, which involves the presentation of an Award for outstanding contribution to science, which this year goes to James Watson of Harvard and Francis Crick of Oxford, jointly. Aside from this, in the general grist of things we are doing some revamping of our grants program and even tinkering with a minor experiment in Latin America. With the various elections going on down there at this time of year and the peculiar aspects of some of them, I feel a trifle uncertain about the experiment and the proposed trip to find out in person what's going on. However, we have contacts with several universities in Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina and Chile, and are making a few small grants which, incidentally, will include a couple of individuals cooperating with Tuve on ionospheric and related work.

We'll be looking forward to word of final completion of the construction job and how things go when everything is debugged.

Best wishes,



Charles H. Schauer

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P.S. We are sorry to report that the Ronthor Reiss Corporation apparently filed the order for your SILASTIC bands without doing anything about it. The word now is that shipment should be made (air parcel post) tomorrow or Thursday. Incidentally, the bands were originally to be sent directly to you by Ronthor Reiss and so were not scheduled to be part of the shipment from Bound Brook.