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Mr. Karl Korte  
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Dear Karl:

I was delighted to learn that your new wife is a real pal. I would shudder to think that she wasn't your friend. I am also glad that you are enjoying your university colleagues and still enjoying my HYMNS AND RESPONSES or did you mean just my HYMNS? Actually, the HYMNS cannot be longer unless I turn them into anthems. I certainly can understand why your publishers want to hang on to your "Anthyms."

What goes with ECS? I thought you had things in good order with them. I suppose you could do what Don Martino did about publishing but I don't know how much of your energy can be tapped for this kind of a project. I spoke to Arnold Broido today on his way out of the building to catch a plane to Paris. People here seem to want to hold tight with what they have. They want to bide their time before taking any more plunges.

In any case, I was glad you wrote the pieces and that you dedicated them to me and that you plan to drive up this way this summer. As it is now, we might be in Italy or Norway or Philadelphia in August so give us a call.

Sincerely,

Vincent Persichetti

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