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Dear Henry:

I am aware that this letter will come as a bit of surprise to you, and also that you are student of human nature enough to realize that before you have read many more lines, I shall be asking for something. Well that is true, but I am not sending you the job; first, I want to be sure that you are well and interested; because people like should not be imposed on without first making them think it is worthwhile. Now with this introduction, here we go.

For the past three years I have been a member of the Review Articles Committee of the GSA. We not only have to read and correct the papers, but we also have to solicit them. Now do not become worried, because I am not going to solicit an article; worse I am asking that you consider reading one for us.

I have a special interest in this paper because it is by an old Aggie from Texas A. & M. College, a former student of mine by the name of George Hardin. You must know him; he works for Mike Halbouty. The paper, however, is what we are interested in. It is entitled "Relation of Sedimentation and Structure in the Cenozoic Sediments of the Northwestern Gulf of Mexico Region".

I asked Hardin to write this paper because I feel strongly that the GSA pays too little attention to the Petroleum Geologists and their problems. The basic idea of a Review Article is to summarize the literature and ideas on some problem or active field in geology. Personally I feel that Hardin's paper will be of great interest to geologists, particularly students and many not in the Gulf Coastal region.

Hardin's manuscript is 113 pages, but it is triple spaced and although I should have to send you a carbon copy, it is clean and easy to read. I, or rather I should say the Committee, would like your appraisal. Also I would appreciate you going over the stratigraphy which of course is not my field and hence I feel uneasy about it. I think you could quickly tell us whether this paper is worth including in the next group of Review Papers.

I would appreciate you marking the places that you think need attention, but do not bother with routine editing. There are ~~making~~ mistakes and I shall take it on as my job to go over it very carefully and change some of those East Texas constructions and spellings.

Will you let me know whether or not you can take a look at the manuscript. I will send it right along. If you are not feeling too good or are busy Please do not be backward about telling me, and I will find someone else for the job. I think you should be frank with me after all these years. Best regards

Sincerely  S. S. Goldich