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Dear Sam:

As you notice, I took my time answering your letter of November 18. There has been a lot of work here and some pleasant distractions from work too. Earl Turner was here for an evening's visit.

As to George Hardin's article, I shall be glad to read the manuscript. He is a very good geologist, and his article is presumably in keeping with his other work. There ought to be more people like him.

Your committee is doing well in paying some attention to petroleum geology and non-metamorphic stratigraphy. I have heard a lot of criticism of the G.S.A. Bulletin. Many people here, even mineralogy-trained research geologists, complain there is nothing of real interest to them in most issues of the Bulletin. Why should the G.S.A. publish all those immature doctoral dissertations that are only of local interest, so the argument goes. One geologist here said these local-interest papers do not need and do not deserve the wide circulation the G.S.A. provides.

Thank you, I am doing very well as to health and am stronger than last year. There is a continuing improvement. I conduct field trips for Shell geologists and work very hard on reports that will be published in the next few years.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

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