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Mr. Frank D. Schroth,
The News,
157 Remsen Street,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Frank:

Charlie called a few days ago and told me he was taking a week off. He has been vigilant and industrious. The switch by Abe Stark was to be expected but I doubt if it has much substantive value as he privately is much against the whole proposition which I am afraid he does not even understand. I note in your P.S. that Chester would like to see Jack once more. It might be well to let Charlie know about this. From what I can learn he will have spent more time with Jack than he has with Blum and Mylod. A number of visitors to camp have told me of his undying devotion to the cause but I have no evidence of anything more than such protestations.

My analysis of recent events in the city would cause me to believe it is election year talk. Everyone has studiously avoided such an elementary thing as the calendar - except Bob Moses. Bob was practical and put his calendar in writing. There is not one chance in a million that at this late date any politician could run fast enough to catch up with the moving days on the Moses calendar. I have deliberately caused a de-emphasis on press comments coming from this camp as it is about time we started to think about winning some ball games. The days, however, keep ticking off to the detriment of what you and I have been trying to do. This Fall will be the 10th anniversary of our first approach to the problem.

About the Mumps, our co-pilot is in a serious condition. He ran a temperature last night of 106.8 and we are deeply concerned about the boy. You have heard me talk about my battle to keep youngsters out of this camp. One mother knowing that one of her children had just gotten over the mumps nevertheless brought her entire family down on our plane, and of course, one youngster was at the infection stage and the pilot got it. We will have to wait

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about two weeks more to see if the chain reaction produces any more cases. This has me real angry.

Sorry Jack did not get up to camp. He would have enjoyed a visit. There are now 500 ball players in camp and we are going full blast, whither, I know not.

Sincerely,

Walter F. O'Malley,
President.

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