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New York 27, New York
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Mrs. Katrine Deakins
Star-Telegram
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Katrine,

Mrs. Biggs tells me that you have all the negatives on the Will Rogers statue. In order to get any kind of a quotation from the Roman Bronze people, I must have, at least, two pictures showing both sides of the statue. I have been out to see the plaster and there is not much anyone can tell about it. If there are any chips in the plaster it does not show up til it is put together. Just how many pieces it is in is also dubious and to ask that question might start some speculation and Mr. Carter said that was the one thing he did not want. If you will send me a set of the pictures I will see that Mr. Schiavo receives them along with the approximate weight and measurements. From these he hopes to be able to give Mr. Carter a price.

Now, to a rather confusing matter: I wrote you when I sent the bill, Mr. Carter requested, that the five hundred dollars (\$500.00) he promised as a commission belonged to Mrs. Biggs and that this amount was due her but that Mr. Carter had decided not to give it to Mrs. Biggs but to me in return for the work I had done. I could not accept the commission under that circumstance and I told Mr. Carter that I would turn it over to Mrs. Biggs if he paid it. Now, Mrs. Biggs and Mr. Carter have come to some agreement and Mrs. Biggs tells me that I am free to accept the commission. Naturally it will be a great help to me and I am very glad that Mrs. Biggs and Mr. Carter straightened it out between them, I just could not accept any commission until Mrs. Biggs waived her right to it.

Please let me have the pictures as soon as possible for until I receive them nothing further can be done on the estimate.

Are you getting settled? I hope so, but I know how long it takes. Jean is completely happy and her nervousness has disappeared, also her metabolism has improved almost 10 points. All these factors assure me that I made the right decision. Life in a two room apartment is rather complex but outside of a few bruised arms and legs and a continuous loss of one thing or another, we get along. If there any thing you want done here in the big town, please call on me, as I get down into the center of the city at least twice a week. With best wishes to you as always.

Sincerely,

Loe Raymond

