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Dear Frank:

Since seeing you on Monday, I've been busy all week on getting the road operations started. Kampf did not show up and I have until this morning been unable to contact him. I left word with his office but somehow he did not get it. In any event, we have a definite date for tomorrow morning at 10 AM.

Yesterday and today we succeeded in clearing out most of the trees from the County Road to the knoll about 500 ft. from the property line. I did not permit them to go beyond that point pending conference with GE engineers which I had tried to arrange since Monday but only succeeded today. I wanted to explore the chances of putting the building and tower on the knoll instead of in the farthest corner.

Enclosed you will find copy of my letter tonight to Bill Purcell of WGY which is self-explanatory. I am sure that Bill will support his two assistants and that we can expect confirmation. Meantime, pending his official confirmation which I believe we should have, I have held up the contractor from clearing the balance of the way to that farthest point as shown on our drawing. I drove to Albany around noon in an effort to locate Kampf and I called your office from there and gave a message to your secretary, Miss Blake. I went back to the mountain and it was too late to phone you when I returned late today.

I am delighted that General Electric offer no opposition to location of our building and tower on that knoll of our property. This will enable us to locate our units without cramping.

Tomorrow, with Kampf, we plan to locate the concrete sluices in the large ravine closest to the road. Also the one at the road. If we do not have to build in the corner, the third sluice will, of course, be eliminated.

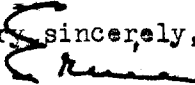
For your information, Orsini Brothers cut a path through the woods about 14 to 15 ft. It might be a good idea to make it even wider now that they dont have to build the road the entire 800 feet. That's up to you, of course. Moreover, with the location on the knoll, we will have to do a lot more wood clearing. That is obvious because the knoll is deep in the center of the woods. We will want good visibility to the east from our building and the tower itself should be free of trees for a considerable circumference.

I'll not be on the job most of next week as I have to be out of town. I have spent all week thus far on your project and until I return it will be up to Kampf to watch the operations.

I'll be in touch with you tomorrow afternoon, I hope. If you care to run out to the mountain tomorrow morning before noon, we will be there to show you what I have in mind for locating on the knoll.

Incidentally, the two-story building will be most advantageous from several standpoints - but principally from that of future possible television and facsimile operations, on account of possible monitoring interference of the audio equipment, one with the other. I will discuss this with you later. It could be done all on one floor but there would be extra costs for shielding and baffle walls.

Very sincerely,


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