

## EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT 235 EAST 45th STREET, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

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Mr. Grote Reber 212 West Seminary Avenue Wheaton, Illinois

Dear Mr. Reber:

With this letter I send to you two copies of the proposed article on Cosmic Static as you suggest in your letter of March 2nd. I think you will see from the tone of this manuscript that we wish to treat this subject seriously and in a manner that will bring credit to you and to science. I will look forward to receiving one of these copies which you are to return to me, suitably corrected. I should point out, however, that corrections ought to be limited to statements of fact or of scientific knowledge and I think that this is what you had in mind when you said, "To make the text scientifically and technically correct."

Some scientists, when they receive such a manuscript, begin to turn news-paper editor and change the phraseology or the particular style of wording so that the text, when it does come back, reads more like the Physical Review or the Astrophysical Journal than it does like the article that will be read by the lay public of the newspaper.

Our science articles are often re-printed in such publications as Science Digest, so that you may want to reconsider your statement of "For publication in The American Weekly only." To limit further publication in this way would be to curtail markedly the distribution which this article might receive.

I shall look forward to receiving the pictures and corrected manuscript.

With many thanks for your cooperation, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Robert D. Petter Science Editor

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