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Dear Ken:

Thanks for your good letter of June 3.

Ken, there's nothing to be disturbed about, in the resistance to CAP from the independent flight operators. If I am correctly informed, it is true that thousands of individuals have refused to accept salvation -- and it's offered to them free, for their own benefit, no initiation fee demanded -- but, to tell the whole truth, upkeep sometimes expensive. Anyway, salvation and CAP services to the independent operator get the same reception. Both need a good selling job. For CAP, you're doing that little chore. I don't know what you're doing for salvation, so will not speak. Eventually, resistance will be overcome as to CAP, not entirely, but to a large degree. The ~~the~~ independent operator, before the "light" dawns on him, must do just so much sinning and roaring around and having his fun barking about things. Same way with us unrepentant ones who just won't take salvation; either we shall get around to it before we die, or we won't -- and the majority of us will, being desirous of saving our stinking little souls, though for why, is beyond me, I being unregenerate. Some day if an intelligent salesman will package salvation in a very plain and unornate bundle, and offer it to me without any fanfare, just honest representation as to its values, I may accept same. In like manner, most operators will accept CAP, some day, if it continues to offer its goods in honest packages, no shouting of damnation to those who will not receive same instantly. There's been a certain amount of shouting of damnation, connected with some of your CAP sales effort out in the hinterland. Can't blame the operator, who is a free soul, and free spoken of his views, from telling the damnation boys to go to their own hell -- he'll have none of same.

I'm remembering the open door at 510, 500 Fifth Ave. I'll be coming up to see you some time. Meanwhile, keep your typewriter clicking for CAP.

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Yours truly,

*Clarence*  
C. R. Mooney