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Mr. Arthur Fletcher  
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Dear Art:

Forgive the informality, but I shudder at addressing a good friend as Assistant Secretary of Labor for Workplace Standards.

I'm writing briefly because brevity never is the full measure of sincerity.

Would you write a guest column for me to run in a series in mid-June in the 351 newspapers across the country that carry my column? I'll have other top administration leaders and opinions right across the board from the Vice President to George Meany, from Prime Minister Heath, a conservative, to Socialist Chancellor Willy Brandt.

I would need from 900 to 1,000 words by May 17, if possible, and an absolute deadline of May 24. The subject matter is yours to choose. Did you see my piece on you and Carlough? He sent me a weird note thanking me for increasing his vocabulary. But otherwise he was quite snide.

Do write me. Do write the column.

As always.

Cordially,

*Victor*

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