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Dear Eliot:

A Mr. Barnard of Readers Digest called up and I gather he has been in touch with you. He seemed hesitant over the phone about giving me# some sort of idea about their financial arrangements but made a date for lunch March 24. I gather what they wish to do is to bring out a regular edition under routine royalty arrangements—but at the same time they go into a vast direct mail campaign and this would be a flat fee payment. In terms of cash he would not talk but I suppose he will give some figures later on—I told him you quite obviously could not consider any arrangement without having an idea as to finances

yours

Thurmond