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14 December 1945

Saipan, Mariannas Islands

My Dear Dr. Tate;

This is indeed a tardy letter. I should have dropped you a line months ago. The eighth news letter has just arrived, and of course it was enjoyed by all of us here on Saipan.

The Prometheans' ranks was increased by one, here on Saipan with the arrival of Ben Handy. His outfit was inactivated and he is now in my outfit. This time next week I hope to be sailing over the bounding main, and this time next month I should be MR George Henderson. It is a wonderful feeling, knowing that you are heading home. It is a feeling mingled with joy and nostalgia. We are happy to be heading home to our family and old friends, but there is sorrow at leaving the men with whom we have lived side by side all of these eventful months.

I shall visit you when I arrive in that world of free men. I plan to visit D. C. Probably my name alone is familiar to you. Beyond a doubt you do not remember me, as I was classified as the quiet type. (Of course this classification was made by persons whose acquaintance with me was only casual.)

The survey made by the Bureau of Public Relations was most interesting and informative. I believe that the war has inspired within the other races a stronger desire to learn the Negro's mind. Several of our white officers ask for the various Negro periodicals that they see us reading. A couple of the officers requested the copy of "What The Negro Wants" that you sent to us. I think that they were surprised at that most intelligent discussion of the question. Too many of them are under the impression that all we want is "fried chicken every day".

It will be good to revive the friendships that were started at Howard during "the good Ole' days. None of us will ever forget Howard and Howard's faculty. We shall never forget you for the time and effort you devoted to the publication of the News Letter. It has been a great factor in preserving the unity of the Prometheans.

I realize that I have been most negligent where dues is concerned, but I promise that as MR Henderson I shall bring my account to date.

Looking forward to our reunion as are all of the "gang"-----

Sincerely ,

*George Henderson Jr.*