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John Schilling:

You may recall this incident and material. I don't see much chance that we can ever recover the stuff, and think a good place for this correspondence may be your file on Tonopah. There, it will serve as permanent word as to where the stuff went, and maybe can be used sometime as evidence as to why we won't let stuff be borrowed.

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Negatives - Tonopah mining
district workings

Mr. Paul. E. Watterson
P.O. Box 1845
Las Vegas, Nev.

10/9/69

To file:

Attached is all data concerning
Tonopah maps (photos thereof) that were
lent to Mr. Watterson, and not returned.

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June 5, 1967

Mr. Paul E. Watterson
P. O. Box 1845
Las Vegas, Nevada

Dear Mr. Watterson:

I have just taken office as Associate Director of the Nevada Bureau of Mines, and one of the problems I find awaiting me is the matter of the Tonopah mine maps that you borrowed a year or more ago.

Mr. Harold Bonham of our organization is starting on a mapping project in the Tonopah district, and one of the essential items for his work is this particular set of maps. Both he and I would be very grateful if you would send the maps posthaste.

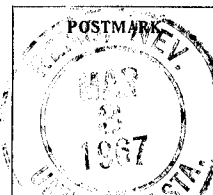
Yours truly,

Arthur Baker III
Associate Director

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From Machay Sch of Mines

To Paul E Watterson
Box 1845
Las Vegas NV

POD Form 3806 May 1964

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Mr. Paul E. Watterson
P. O. Box 1845
Las Vegas, Nevada

Dear Mr. Watterson:

We have still not received the photographic negatives of the Tonopah mine maps that you promised to have to us "shortly" when you wrote Mr. Horton last June 17th. This has caused much inconvenience, and we must insist that they be returned immediately.

If this is not done, I will be forced to turn the matter over to the Attorney General for such action as may be indicated.

I believe we have been more than fair in the matter, but must insist that you honor your promise to return the map negatives. We can not tolerate any further delays.

Very truly yours,

John H. Schilling
Acting Associate Director

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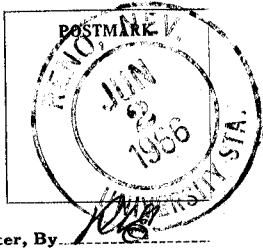
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Postmaster, By

June 2, 1966

From

To

POD Form 3806-May 1964

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Mr. Paul E. Watterson
P. O. Box 1845
Las Vegas, Nevada

Dear Sir:

I again ask that you promptly return the photographic negatives of the Tonopah mine maps. We wish to maintain a courteous attitude, as we did by loaning the map negatives to you, but your continued refusal to honor your promise to return the map negatives will soon give us no choice but to take legal action.

If you have not returned the map negatives by June 20, 1966 I will be forced to turn the matter over to the Attorney General for such action as may be indicated.

Very truly yours,

Robert C. Horton
Associate Director

RCH:hm

The above letter sent registered mail, return receipt requested.

Atlanta, Ga. 1
6/17/66.

Mr. Robert C. Horton,
University of Nevada,
McCoy School of Mines,
Reno, Nevada.

Dear Mr. Horton:

A thousand apologies for what
might look to you as neglect, or
a "don't-care" attitude on my
part, concerning the maps you
so kindly loaned out to me.

A great lot of illness dogged
me for months. I had a bad
hemorrhage in the left eye and

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almost lost it. O.K. now as
to eye, Other ill complications with
ear. That now under control.

I still have the Extension and
have been successful in the
financing of a good operation there,
after several plans not going
through - due largely to death
that intervened in the financial
circle.

I am starting west next
week and making short stops
in several cities enroute. Expect
to reach Reno about July 1st -

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quite likely sooner. Will see
you on arrival. An event
happened about the maps which
disturbed me no end; I put
them with a blue print firm and
just as copies were about to be
struck off for me and originals
returned to you (I had ordered
you an extra set (at my expense) —

The concern had help quit on
them, or fired them, but I did
not know for some days. I
cancelled the job with them,
intending to have it done in
my presence at another
firm. I had to make a trip,

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suddenly and unexpectedly and for safety sake I did not leave the maps at any motel or hotel - nor even at the mine office - (too much danger of fire) - so I hurriedly purchased a small foot locker, placed the maps in it, locked it and stored it with a storage firm in Los Angeles.

Without giving me proper notice, the firm went out of business while I was east and turned all their storage over to another firm.

I finally caught up with it by continued long distance calls, and the footlocker is waiting me

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on my coming return to
Las Vegas. I'd lose no time
in getting them to you.

Thank you kindly for your
forbearance, and I'm truly
sorry if this has inconvenienced
any publishing plan you have
had.

There have been many feelers
put out to get the extension, but
the finances I have already
gotten in are progressing quickly
with operational plan now.

Very truly,
Mr. Waterson.
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