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Mr. Roger Ortmyer
motive
810 Broadway
Nashville 2, Tenn.

Dear Roger:

I'd like you to have a chance at a story my secretary wrote in a moment of indignation over our ecclesiastical gobbeldygook.

It's a satire on USCC's Study of Unmet Needs - i.e., no student work in small colleges, etc. I had given her a set of minutes on the most recent USCC Consultation on the subject and the next morning this was on my desk.

It's had quite an effect. Several lofty executives have been found chuckling in a corner over it. I had it in my bag on the recent trip to Geneva and couldn't stop people in WS CF from taking a set of carbons. One of these carbons is now making the rounds of World Council offices there!

Yo - Yoshiko Uchida - is a rare girl. Masters degree from Smith. She now works for us by day in order to write by night and weekend. Scribners has just brought out her second book of stories for children. And one of these days, you'll see something of hers in the New Yorker.

If you can't use it, return it. But enjoy it anyway.

Yours sincerely,

John Deschner

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Mr. John Deschner
USCC
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear John:

Thanks for sending along Yoshiko Uchida's story.

It belongs in motive.

When I was in your office a few minutes about a year ago, (you were in Europe or some such place) I chatted briefly with Miss Uchida. As you say, she is a rare girl, and I tried my best at that time to stimulate her into giving motive something. I am glad you've taken care of it!

As ever,

Roger

Roger Ortmayer

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Miss Yoshiko Uchida
USCC
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

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Dear Miss Uchida:

You may recall when I tried to find John Deschner in his office about a year ago that I chatted with you and expressed the hope that someday you would send something along to motive.

I am glad that your boss took the matter in hand and made the shipment!

I have just read over "The Saga of an Unmet Need...." with considerable delight.

You'll let motive use it, won't you? I rather suspect I have committed myself for more material than I am going to be able to squeeze into the magazine as it is - but something can always be squeezed out!

The plight of Unmet Need wrenches my own but partially repressed conscience, for piled in six untidy stacks on my desk are hundreds of little unmet needs!

Sincerely,

Roger Ortmyer

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Yo - Wonderful!
Formidable! (Fr.)
Stoartet! (Norw)
Wunderbar! (Ger.)

Miss Uchida -
Love!
Thanks!

November 19, 1951

Mr. Roger Ortmayer
motive
810 Broadway
Nashville 2, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Ortmayer:

As soon as I finished writing "The Saga of an Unmet Need", I hoped it would someday find a place in motive! I'm so delighted to know you liked it.

Furthermore, your letter is the first I've had from a magazine editor, who has sent me something besides regrets! I'm going to save it as encouragement for further sorties into the adult magazine field.

I appreciated your good letter. I remember well our talk when you were in New York, and have wished many times that I had something suitable for motive. I'm glad this idea finally percolated into something. Will you let me know sometime which issue of motive will carry the story?

Incidentally, I haven't seen any copies of motive in our office for quite some time. Are we still on your mailing list?

I hope you'll be coming into New York again some time before too long. Please come see us when you do.

All good wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Yoshiko Uchida