

Zug, October /I hope/ 13, 195

BORIS HAGELIN

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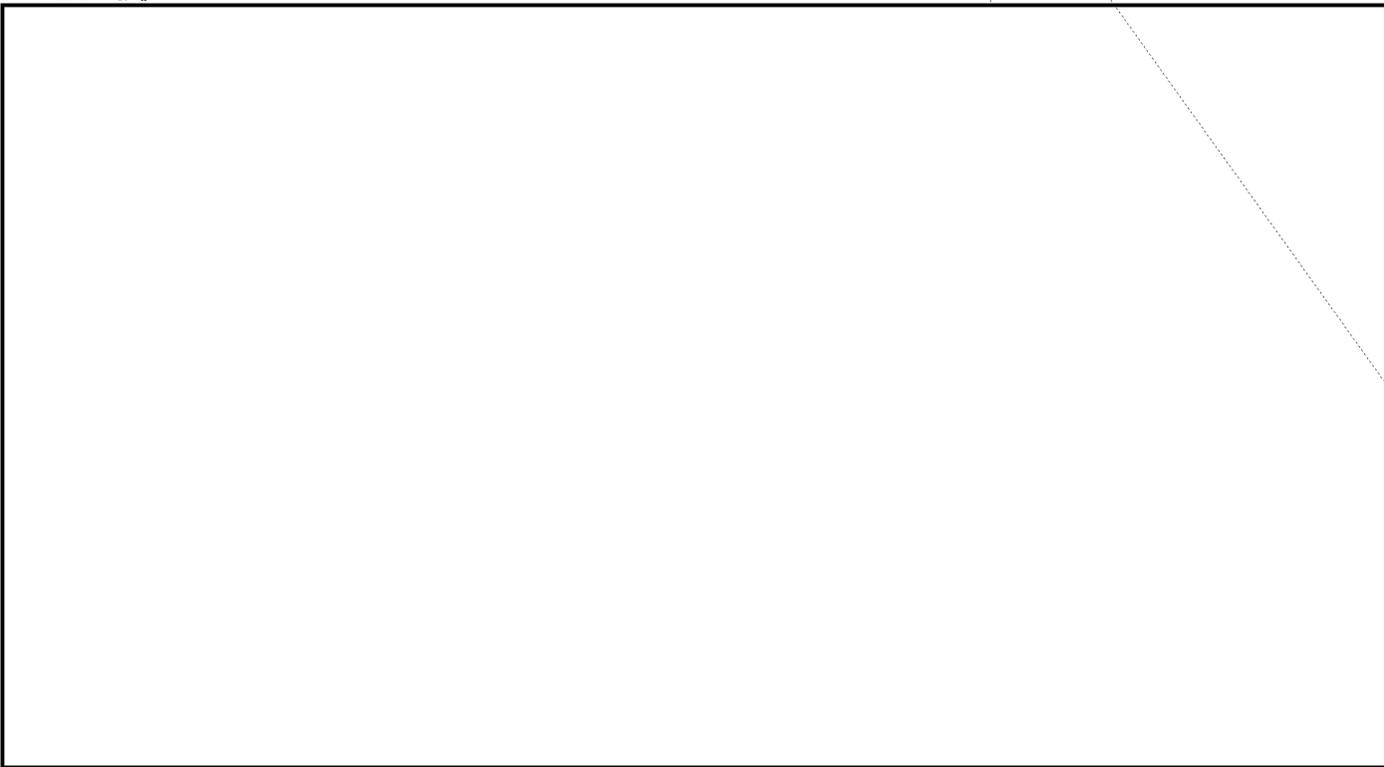
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I will now answer Bos letter, and regret that he would not accept my offer.



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In case Bo visits you in order to talk the business over, then I do hope that you could see your way to put some pressure on him.

I might mention here that the only substance he would get from me are the US patent and the Canadian patent application. He has no rights to the present design, and he will not get any drawings from me. Even if I have promised him the rights for the Western Hemisphere, I would not be able to exact a promise from the purchaser of my business that he keeps out of such countries, where the pocket machine is not patented.

Then there is another possibility, if Bo balks: I could simply tell him that he has to agree to a reasonable settlement. As the US patent and the Canadian pat. appl. are in my name, I could transfer them without further formalities /or more correctly: as they are assigned to the Liechtenstein Co, this Co can reassign them to the new owner/, and the indemnity to be paid to Bo would be settled through arbitration.

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So the best would certainly be if Bo could be pressured gently but firmly into accepting my proposal. And he would be a fool not to do it as he would never earn a comparable amount if he kept the rights for the pocket machine himself.

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And at last a little question, which you can certainly help me with, with the world's greatest information organization at your command: Could you tell me what publicity there has been in connection with the granting of my patent for the pocket machine? In the second half of September there have been notices in Swedish papers, telling about the granting of this patent. And one story even mentioned that according to a recent congressional report /!!!/ I was paid 2 million dollars for the M-209 patent. I also got a letter from the director of the Signal Corps museum in Fort Monmouth, who referred to the new patent and asked for a sample machine, as a gift to the museum. So there must have been some publicity in US papers - do you think that you could get me clippings?

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We do hope that Elizebeth and your goodself are both are in the best of health, and we send you both our love and affectionate regards.

Sincerely yours

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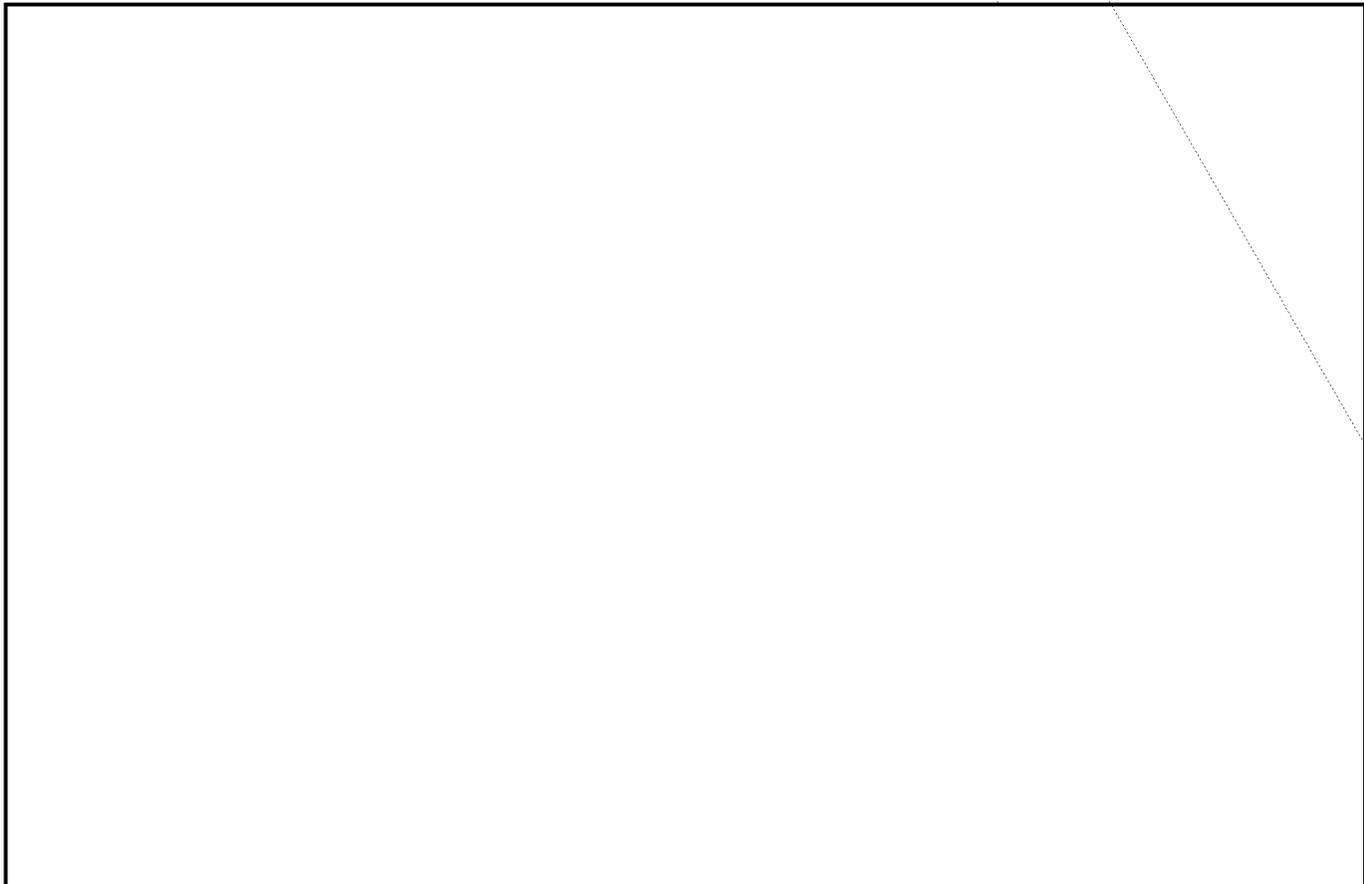
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