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May 21st, 1931

Mr. William Randolph Hearst,  
La Cuesta Encantada,  
San Simeon, California

Dear Mr. Hearst:

It would be possible in three months to raise the main roof, (but not, of course, finish it inside or out), put up the new West Tower, refinish the Doges Suite bed rooms and baths, the Cloister bed rooms, the new Tower bed rooms, and the Celestial bed rooms, - by concentrated steady work.

I have been making you a list of the various things discussed and planned for the summer and saw all could not very well be done, and perhaps you will go over the list in detail Sunday?

At present about 65 percent of budget money goes into grading, trucks with their constant repairs and running expenses, bear and lion pits, rock wall, fences, meals for various garden men, Adams' men, etc., general camp expense and warehousing. The balance goes for a little plumbing and electrical work, indoor pool mosaics, cast stone for Billiard Room exterior chiefly, a bit for Celestial and basement work, and a very microscopic amount into past overdue bills.

Yours very truly,

JM-M