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Dear Paul;

In a separate package, I am sending out the final, revised manuscript of "Harlem Heyday." May I ask you to acknowledge receipt of it as well as the enclosed originals of the various illustrations.

As you can see, the latter are quite voluminous. I leave it to you to decide how many it will be feasible to include in the text. The text, of course, continually refers to these exhibits, so that if they are not placed in context, it will be necessary to alter the text accordingly. Wherever possible, I think it would be preferable to include the newspaper ads and the like in context. I realize that this will not be possible in the case of the photographs. In particular, I think the chapter titled "Memorabilia", especially those parts which refer to the old telephone book, be sequential. Incidentally, I trust that that book and the pictures can be preserved. I would hate to lose them.

There are, as far as I know, only a couple of original exhibits missing, although it was the devil's own job to find them all. There is a "blurb" on an old program on Page 49 about Adelaide Hall. Try as I may, I cannot find it. The same is true of a handbill on John Kirby and Peg Leg Bates, P. 51. I leave it to you to decide if the xeroxes are good enough to use.

Most of the photographs have captions on the backside. All exhibits have a page number on their backs.

As for the photographs, I again leave it to your judgment to decide how many to use. Following is a list of priorities in that regard, those with an * are the most preferred:

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* Ethel Waters
*Old picture of Duke Ellington
* " " " Count Basie
* " " " Louis Armstrong
*Lionel Hampton
Louis Jordan and Band
*Dad and Jimmie Lunceford
Old Picture of Ella Fitzgerald singing
Jackie Wilson
Young Leslie Uggams
* Sonny Til
*Gladys Knight and the Pips
* "Moms" Mabley
Billy Daniels
*James Brown
Harry Belafonte
Johnny Mathis
Martha and the Vandellas,
George Williams
*Picture of young Lena Horne
*Bottom picture showing three on stage reaching their
hands down. This might be good to use at end.
*Nancy Wilson Marguee
*Line around the corner
*Old picture of Billy Eckstine
*Dad and Ella Fitzgerald
*Charlie Parker
Nat "King" Cole
Joh Coltrane
Stevie Wonder
*Old picture of "Moms" Mabley
Same Cook
Smokey Robinson and the Mircales
Marvin Gave
*Peg Leg" Bates
Christine Clark
Women Gospel Singers
James Cleveland
Smile Singers
Clara Ward
B.B.King
*Bessie Smith
Pigmeat
*Crackshot
*Aretha Franklin

As I told you, I will be home until the 17th of the
month after which I will be gone for three and a half
weeks.

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