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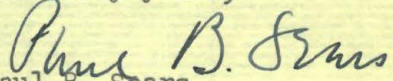
Mr. Henry Hazlitt
Newsweek Magazine
Newsweek Building
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Hazlitt:

I read with great interest your article, " 'Beyond' Capitalism?" in NEWSWEEK for September 5, 1955. I agree with your concluding statement that capitalism has too much trouble finding defenders but would say that the same thing is true of the conservative viewpoint in general.

I was especially interested in your quotation from Rappard as to the four main elements to explain the economic superiority of the United States. I notice, however, that no mention was made of the large natural resources of this continent as a factor and wonder whether you would agree with Rappard in writing them down as of secondary importance. It is my personal belief that there is more than an accidental relationship between the words conservative and conservation and I question the wisdom of conservative spokesmen in allowing their critics to get the head start in expressing concern about natural resources and their proper use.

Sincerely yours,


Paul B. Sears