

S. Meager Correspondence

Re: With David Lifton (1965-1967)

*Sample of  
Cov. of D. Lifton  
my folder now is over  
one inch thick  
Jack*

12/30/'67 Re: notes of phone con. w/ Lifton

Re: L's fantastic conspiracy theories--talk of "high Texas" and Army-military" coup in Dallas. LBJ involved even in some unwitting fashion. Reminds of the plot to movie "Ex. Action."

Importance: Lifton was "raving."

SM to DL, 11/2/'65

SM tries to apply "coorective" to his high-flying theories. She feels as if she is Alice in Wonderland and has just had tea w/ the Mad Hatter. Tries to bring him back to earth. Lifton conceived of more than 100 directly involved in the assassination, etc.

--Notes of phone con. w/ Jean Hill, 11/20/65 Notes are DL's.

DL to SM, 11/21/'65

Re: Contains good criticism of Ed. Epstein and his approach to WC tha will appear later in Inquest.

Notes to SM of DL exchange w/ Allen Dulles at a UCLA lecture.  
Dated 12/7/'64

S M to DL, 11/9/'65

Re: SM 's comments about Sylvan Fox. This is interesting because Fox(I need to find out about his work)because it reveals something about the real or imagine atmosphere of intimidation and anxiety that dissenters from the WC felt in 1965 when they went against the "Establishment" view of the assassination.

SM to DL, 7/10/'66

Re: SM raises some intersting early opinions about the slits in the JFK collar. They were not holes as Frazier testified. How could they be a bullet hole SM conjectures. Intersting for her early interest.

--Notes of phone con. with Ed. Epstein 7/14/'66 Notes made by SM. She defends Epstein and is protective of him here to ward off criticism from Ray Marcus.

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SM to DL, 10/17/'66

Re: This a response to several DL letters in October. She is beginning to have shadows of doubt about Lifton and his quirky ways. Ref. to an article SM wrote about LHO and State Department(no further citation).

SM to DL, 11/4/'66

Re: Addressed to "Dear Lifton" not "Dear Dave"  
SM wants to break off contact w/ DL. Issue is his close (and becoming closer) relationship with Wesley Liebler who taught law at UCLA where DL was still a student(I guess). She characterizes his actions as "self-serving and double crossing." A very revealing letter.

\*\*\*\*\*But SM could not stay mad for long. Was this characteristic of her in her relationships?\*\*\*\*\*

SM to DL, 11/10/'66 Back to "Dear Dave"

Re: She is still disappointed in him. Speaks generally about breach of faith. . .She is concerned about some of the low lives who are identified with the critics of the WC.

S M to DL, 12/ 19/'66

Re: Interesting letter\*\*\*. She is up front about her distaste about the character of Wesley Liebler. he is not to be trusted. He has tried to engatiate himself w. the critics of the WC but at the same time he took pa part in this monstrous collusion to hide the truth. Page 3 of the letter she refers to "this circle of ours. . . " [Lifton is back in good graces but clearly she does not approve of the way he deals with WL.

12/31/'66 Sample of DL's reidiculoussness w/ copy of phone con. with Liebler that he designates "Confidential."

SM to DL, 4/28/'66

Important letter\*\*\* SM excoriates Mark Lane and others of his ilk who are part of the camp of dissenters.

She has learned in confidence of some "new evidence" that she cannt share w/ DL. But believes it will blow open the WC case. She is so persuaded, it appears, that she will not bother to work any further on his own 500 page mss(Accessories).

She also comes out in support of Epstein and his contributions.

S M to DL, 5/11/'66

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Re: suggests here that big breakthrough was work of Vincent Salandria. Apparantly it was Salandria's claim that LHO was in front of TSBD at time of shooting. Now she calls it "Vince's false alarm." (Worth checking out).

SM takes off again on some of the ruthless and unprincipled predators who are among the WC;s critics. This is very good and revelatory about S. Meagher.