

Meagher vs Lane

- Xmas 1964: Gave Lane researcher 2 hours of notes on H&E
- Early 1965: Wired re error on memo to (not "from") CIA
- Summer 1965: Lane opened letter SM to Stewart Galanor, appropriated enclosure (copy of letter from Western Cartridge Co) and discarded letter as "not important." Despite written injunction from SM, used appropriated letter in RtoJ.
- 1966: Marcus told SM had often recriminated with Lane for never making contact with me or certain other researchers, Lane admitted his negligence, but did nothing to rectify
- Late 1966: SM and Lane both on Barry Gray program, met first time, pleasant and friendly on both sides. SM subsequently (or before?) sent Lane analysis Nizer on WR Barry Gray, to use in debate, but Nizer backed out. Lane wrote pleasant letter of thanks, promised put SM Nizer autopsy to good use.
- January 1967: Lane called, lunch at UN, took Jenner autopsy and cut-out pp of Nizer introduction to Doubleday WR, asked SM come to TV studio same night and render advice and support during taping of program with Nizer, Jenner, and Scobey. SM went with Susan, overheard Jenner and daughter, admission he never saw autopsy photos and xrays. At lunch, Lane volunteered jacket comment for AAF. Subsequently SM battled Ockene not to send galleys Lane but lost, and wrote letter for record opposing use of Lane.
- July 1967: Word trickled in from M. Field and others Lane had read AAF ms and thought it best of all the books...but jacket comment did not arrive and at 11th hour Ockene called, Lane "surprised," said had mailed it... Subsequently, SM received "copy" which had every appearance of being the original, with vicious attack on failure mention Nat'l Guardian... SM replied, need not be holier than Pope, and no mention where much more due, in R to J. War on.
- Nov. 1967: Mort Sahl on NBC radio replacing Brad Crandall, attacked SM and Bobbs-Merrill for tricking Lane into plug, then inserting criticism of Garrison. Refused to give opportunity Bobbs-Merrill give its version of the facts. Lane later wrote asking removal name from jacket; SM rec'd copy, wrote him saying if had known revised paragraphs on Garrison would cause Lane withdraw from jacket, would have insisted: enclosed letter for the record of earlier 1967 to Ockene vs use of Lane on jacket.
- May 1967 Lane second book "A Citizen's Dissent" out...contained pirated SM critiques on Jenner and Nizer...SM wrote saying, best work ever published under his name, with copies to various others attaching (1) Lane letter saying would "make good use" Nizer critique; (2) Jenner piece from TMO, showing 7 points of identity out of 8 points.
- Lane on radio, Los Angeles (per David Lifton letter), phone-in show, get call asking why SM vs Garrison, replied has been invited look at the evidence, did not accept, does not understand why opposed as has not seen the evidence--this, after full account by SM of why entirely possible deem Garrison a hysterical charlatan without seeing his so-called evidence.
- 27 May 1967: Lane on Channel 9, 12:20 p.m. interviewed by John Wingate, claimed radio/TV blackout on critics of WR; when Wingate said SM on his own program, replied (a) SM only did Index to WR, and/or (b) SM only in case a few years. Transcript requested. Same night, on Barry Gray, about 11:20 p.m. first claimed 1500 footnotes and expertise, then

said, no FBI report on Barry Gray in Exhibits, to which Gray replied, oh yes there is, Sylvia Meagher told me about it...and proceeded to give wholly inaccurate rendition of contents CE 1444.

Subsequently

Letter done to Bobbs - Neville protesting
use his quote in ad for AAF

June 1968 - mention re "Jesse James
from RFK"

Feb and
March 1969 - tape interview during
Shaw trial; said, must
accept jury's verdict

After acquittal letter to editor
NO - Trajane protesting verdict