

7/4/69 Conversation = Pearl Wasserberger  
2-4 pm. She repeated and  
clarified the incident she previously had  
recounted e.g., her kid-brother  
Allan in the fall of 1968 accepted a  
dinner invitation ("suit and tie") and  
was offended when he arrived to  
realize that he was being used — he  
had been invited to witness (sign)  
certain documents. Albert Kaplan was the  
only other guest. He and Arnoni  
were arranging to convert Arnoni's  
money into blue-chip stocks, to  
provide an income (in Israel) in  
front of Allan, who felt that they  
were open because they thought him  
stupid, but while Ruth was in the  
kitchen, Arnoni and Kaplan discussed  
the additional capital needed to  
assure the income Arnoni wanted.

Kaplan said that another  
\$30,000 was needed and suggested  
that Arnoni raise it from his readers.

Arnoni replied that Kaplan's suggestion sounded dangerously close to larceny. Kaplan said, "You'll get used to the idea."

Subsequently Arnoni issued an appeal for \$35,000. When he left for Israel in December 1968, he said that about \$20,000 had come in.

At some point during the summer or fall, Ruth herself told Pearl that she had discovered that they had more money than she ever wanted or needed, in the Bank of England in Montreal. She felt that she had wasted ten years of her life as an unpaid secretary, believing that it was necessary, and now she realized that they could have had a paid secretary all the time. (This, too, Pearl had told me in an earlier conversation.)