

638 Royal Street,
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Dear Sylvia,

Today, as you will have heard by the time you get this letter, the Federal District Court granted, or rather issued, a temporary restraining order in the trial of Clay Shaw. There will be a three judge hearing, as a result of which sources in the D.A.'s office guess Shaw will probably be ordered to stand trial. In any event, this means further delays, what with Haggerty's section going on vacation in July, and some think the trial will not be before September.

I spoke to Garrison today and he seemed very cordial. He even told me he was giving me a pay raise! As it will take me three months to finish my book, I now hope to stay on in the office for that time, and I therefore hope Ed makes the appropriate changes. I can see the book is going to be slow work, especially just working in the evenings. I have now completed two chapters and will send them to you, if you like, for your comments, when I get the second one typed. In fact I would very much value your remarks about what I have said, which so far is very little as far as "inside information" is concerned.

Can you help me on one point. At some juncture G. made a statement to the effect that he had photographic evidence of men behind the picket fence. I have hunted through my files without being able to locate the origin of this remark. If you can find it without too much searching I would appreciate the reference.

Things are fairly quiet in the office. Lane has been mercifully absent, and I learned today that Sanders, who came here with Lane in October or November is leaving at the end of the week, (to take refuge in a draft dferment job.)

Thank you for your recent communications. Your letter to Sprague was effective, and must have made him wince.

One other point: Garrison was asking me the other day about a statement J. Edgar Hoover allegedly made after the publication of the Warren Report, in which he said (according to G.) that the US Embassy, or the State Dept. said that Oswald, while in Russia, was a "sound security risk." I have not been able to find any reference to this, although in his testimony he says that the Embassy gave Oswald a "clean bill" (mentioned in your book.) Do you know of the existence of the other statement?

with my best wishes,

