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Dear Sylvia,

Just to say that I read your letter of the 8th all over again, and it is better than ever; what letters you do write, and forgive my hasty & sometimes careless responses..

I heard something of the money thing from Arnoni, and I really wonder if you are not taking it too hard? I mean in some curious way he could be entitled to a little financial leeway considering the intellectual integrity of his position? The odd thing is that he was always saying that Warren Hinckle would get out of Ramparts as a rich man, far, far from the fact today...I am sure you could not tolerate Hinckle for one minute...and yet despite all his scandalous behavior I somehow cherish him, ofx for what he was, ^{is} & am resigning from Ramparts just because of this--while my friends ask me why...I don't know...I only

know I must be loyal w/ to a ^{'Kid'!} guy[^] who despite all, and all is plenty, kept his own loyalty to me...when I quit Ramparts just because of his atrocious behavior, financially and otherwise, Warren came here a year later to plead with me not to quit him...when my letter would have enraged anybody else...

Life is odd, dear Sylvia, and I hope you can understand my own irrational behavior...which often I can't, but have learned to live by, *or with.*

On the love affair also, all you say is true, the same experience happened to us one evening; and yet in view of Arnoni's life & life - experience I can understand all this too: I think it could be worse for him than for anybody else, at that...I am saying this, from my viewpoint, because I feel in your letter such depths of disenchantment and loss which concern me even while I admire your own hard & clear view. Please forgive me!

much love,

Bob