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Dear Earl,

Thanks a lot for the shipment of clippings, most of which I had not seen before. You have really done good digging and good writing.

I happened to get a phonecall the other day from Jerry Rose and I mentioned that you might be sending him an article for THE THIRD DECADE. If you have a spare copy of the article, I would love to read it.

Three days ago I saw a copy of Harry Hurt's book in the window of the bookstore next to the entrance of my building. Of course I snatched it up and started to read it at once. This morning I finished the book, with very mixed feelings. I think the first half of the book, ending with the excellent Tippit chapter, is a real contribution. Then the book begins to deal with material which is somewhat speculative and which moves further and further away from the hard core evidence. But the real disappointment--the real disaster--is the Masterling chapter. I fear that it will make the book very vulnerable to ridicule and scorn that will overshadow the central evidence and dilute the otherwise strong impact of the book. I am bitterly disappointed.

It was good to meet you and Lois, and I hope that we will get together again soon. As you probably know, Tom is returning to New York to stay in a week or so.

Sincerely yours,