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Dear Helen,

I agree with everything you said about Chicago and I don't know how to improve on how you said it. I was transfixed and quite disoriented with sheer horror and helplessness. The next morning my colleagues at the office, like myself, felt physically ill with nausea and shock. It seemed like the very end of sanity and decency and hope. I wrote letters to Daley, Hubird H.H., and different letters to O'Dwyer, Ribicoff, and McCarthy, who acted with such nobility and courage.

We are just about over the brink, into outright fascism. One of the most infuriating and frustrating incidents in the wake of Chicago was a phonecall from dear friends of my late father, themselves victims of the Nazi carnage 30 years ago, having lost wife, children, and everything else to those earlier Storm Troopers. Yet, the very victim then has become such a conformist, middle-class, complacent property-owner that he parroted Daley to me, blaming everything on the young people and actually defending the Chicago Gestapo. I just about blew my top.

The worst of it is that much of the Left is no better than the Chicago Right. I see in the press this morning that Lane is running for Vice-President on the Peace-and-Freedom Party---and Lane, as I know from personal experience, has about as much honor and principle as Hubird. Truly, the vote is worth beans, it is completely meaningless.

Two new books will fascinate you. One is free: just write to the Chairman, House Sub-committee on Science and Astronautics (excuse it, House Committee, not Sub-committee), and ask for the proceedings of the Symposium on Unidentified Flying Objects held on 7/29/68. It is enough to make people like us almost happy--eminent scientist after eminent scientist stating forthrightly that UFOs are real, material objects and almost certainly extraterrestrial vehicles which must be taken as perhaps the single most important contemporary problem and opportunity.

The other is expensive, \$17.50. It is the Document Appendix to the WR with introduction by David Lifton, and contains the recently declassified transcripts of seven of the WC's executive sessions, the first interrogation of Marina Oswald by the Secret Service (on 11/24/63), and the full text of the Liebler memorandum. Available from Lifton, 11818 $\frac{1}{2}$  Dorothy Street, Los Angeles, Calif. 90049.

Must dash now...my office is at full steam again, and I'm loaded with chores of all descriptions. I can't tell you to be of good heart or anything asinine like that--things are as bad as they seem. But we must all continue to resist, as hard as we can.

Most affectionately,

P.S. Don't bother with the tapes...I've heard as much as I can bear of Lane and Penn.