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Dear Dave,

You are a sweetheart! Thanks a million for the seven envelopes with the photocopies of part of my manuscript together with assorted drafts and letters. I am really enormously relieved and grateful to have this stuff out of the hands of Ramparts, as I could not help but feel apprehensive about having my stuff in their custody, purely in terms of their unpredictability and unreliability.

Am I correct in thinking that the postage was courtesy of Ramparts? If not, let me know and I will reimburse you immediately.

The first book reviews of Inquest were on the newsstands today—Sawage in The New Leader, and Alex Campbell in The New Republic. I was told that the Washington Post yesterday published my letter to the editor on Richard Harwood's front-page story of 5/29/66—went to the out-of-town papers stand and bought a copy, but could not find my letter in it anywhere! It must have been added, or subtracted, in a different edition (that sentence does not make sense but you know what I mean).

I'm sorry I sounded off so angrily about Paul Hock. You probably know by now that I have a foul temper—at least, where this case is concerned, especially when it is put in jeopardy. Maybe I was too hard on him. Is it true that he is working for Ramparts? That is what I heard in a letter from someone who saw him at the Archives.

Dave, thanks very very much again; keep in touch, please, and I will write whenever time permits.

Fondly yours,

Sylvia Meagher