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Dear David,

Thanks for your letter of the 10th and enclosures. Yes, I was pleased to find from the transcripts of the executive sessions that my inferences in *Wheels Within Deals* were well-founded. My source was a xerox copy of Carr's correspondence file, which was apparently duplicated by someone in his office (identity unknown) and found its way to New Orleans. Tom Bethell made it available to me, on his own initiative but with Garrison's knowledge and agreement. (However, please treat this as confidential.)

I am very glad that my list of prospects resulted in some orders. I wish I had kept a copy, so that I could now add any names which I may have overlooked; but, as I mentioned before, I seem not to have made a copy for my files. Frankly, I am surprised that the Axis powers (Marcus/Field) "weren't interested." Have they drifted that far from scholarship and authentic research? As for profits, I believe that Ray is engaged in commercial business or businesses, although I do not know if he offered his *Bastard Bullet* at cost. Ray has also accused me of being a cat's paw, in a many-paged single-space letter which I did not answer, partly because Arnoni (who received a copy from Ray) pleaded with me not to reply to so pathological an attack. I believe his metaphor, in my case, was that I had been "had" by two "intellectual gigalos" (Epstein and Thompson). There may be some truth in that, I must admit, where Epstein is concerned, as it has turned out; but what can be said for Ray's being had by a cheap clown like Garrison???

About the rifle photos (not LHO with the rifle) and the sling or strap---forget it, David, on closer study it turned out to be nothing much. The front strap hook, which should be on the left side, is on the right side in some photos; but I am told by a rifle expert that it can readily be switched from one side to the other.

I guess that's it for now, no other news. Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

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and Thompson (address) who  
are each compiling a bibliography