

Note for the Board

Discussion with Ralph Scherman  
on Tues. 9-12 pm 5/27/69 (Jones)

Makes excellent impression, very disarming, if one not aware his extremely unsavory reputation with all parties. Courteous, intelligent. Cannot return England as UK denies him entry. His interest in WR therefore revived & he had returned only recently from a week in New Orleans, very favorably impressed to Garrison.

But he did not know and was shocked to learn about Spiess, Houghorst, and the flag-desecration case. Was aware of J's connections with

or negligence in the organized  
crime. Had met a Bob  
Silvers who is now down on  
G. (for the wrong reasons).  
Wanted know my views on  
Papkin.

Was very puzzled, in light  
of my harsh comments on G,  
about G's comments on  
me — eg, that I am the  
founder of the critics, have  
made the greatest contribution  
of all, has highest respect  
of me, etc. G is  
down on all the other  
critics (except Salandria)  
for bum steers and

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letting him down in various  
ways (eg, have never there  
when needed).

Schoenman is paying Lane  
& De Antonio because \$20,000  
invested in RtJ film but  
never any returns (profits)  
the film did make money.  
I aware Lane is opportunist,  
cynic, self-interested, but  
feels genuine by commitment  
in re WA.

Mike Lester wrote (only  
reply after the mine)  
saying, no longer doing  
any work on WL affairs

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Encountered Tink once in  
Chicago, radio or TV  
programme, and afterwards  
had nasty exchange in  
re his stated anti-USA  
views (War Crimes Tribunal etc).  
Felt Tink had "threatened"  
him, tho perhaps he  
misread his remarks.  
Seemed hostile to his  
anti-USA stance.

Discussed jurisdiction  
and other questions in  
Arnold — who agreed  
my Russell & Ford

per article but failed follow<sup>5.</sup>  
through - pending \$500 after  
4 articles, long past due.  
Yet heard per done and  
others that Arnoni was  
"loaded."

Also cited Fussell concept  
of "War Crimes Tribunal" (in  
print) as early as 1962:

Had not read AAF  
("just few chapters") or

for remin of Hammock  
book or Honor C O'B

remin of AAF

(mailed to him next day).

Garrison now regards  
Fensterwald as a "front  
man" (eg, agent).<sup>6.</sup>

Asked about Salun Drin.  
Got no reply from him or  
HW etc after same  
letter as I got.