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Dear Miss Meagher:

Thank you for your very nice letter of August 19th. I had heard nothing from the Law Review since I submitted the manuscript to them and your letter is my first indication that it actually came out.

I should say to you that I wrote this article at the request of the Review and until I undertook it I had no very great interest in the Warren Report, and certainly no knowledge beyond that of the average newspaper reader. I made no attempt to do the kind of detailed survey that you are doing, and for general statements , such as the one about who testified willingly, I relied on people I felt should know. I am sorry I did not know about your work and thus avoided the mistakes. Since no effort was made to pressure anyone into testifying, the basic theme isn't altered, but one avoids these errors if he can. Mr. Rankin, whom I knew through personal friends in Washington, spoke to me on the telephone and gave me his offthe-cuff recollection of what happened. I should say in his defense that it is my own experience that one tends to forget the details of a job like that as rapidly as possible.

I have no general knowledge of indexing or how such things get published separately from the original material. A number of private companies published the Report on their own, and they might be interested in adding such an index. Barring that, your best bet would seem to be the Government Printing Office. I should suppose any of the members of Congress who were on the Commission could steer you to the proper person to contact. Anyway, good luck with your project.

Sincerely,

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