

Had to put off trip to Philadelphia until 10/1-2

1/25/74

Dear Sylvia,

In preparation for the letter to Wecht I reread his 1966 piece in the Journal of Forensic Sciences. That was a flat support for the Warren Commission. The Gazette piece, accordingly, shows some movement away from his former stance. It seems to me that the better part of Wecht's earlier criticism was motivated by offense to his sense of professionalism. He was not then a "critic" of the frame up of Oswald or of the Warren Commission. Whatever service he performed in the cause of exposing governmental lies was incidental to his concern for the cause of professionalism and the advance of forensic science. But he has now given evidence of motion in his thinking, that is, of development. With discussion and criticism he may move further. Yes?

Tom