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Dear Tink,

Here is a draft of the index for your book. It includes the contents of the footnotes as well as the text-proper. When in doubt about a subject or a name, I included rather than omitted. Therefore, a number of the headings can still be eliminated, if the index is too long.

Please give special attention to the listings which have sub-headings, i.e., Autopsy; Bullets; Cartridge cases; Connally; etc. You may prefer independent rather than subsidiary listings, in some instances.

I typed an original and two onionskin carbon copies, one of which is enclosed. I did the outline of the index in advance for Epstein's book, and for my own book, so as to save time when the page proofs are ready. At that stage, one needs only enter the page numbers next to the appropriate listings, instead of starting from scratch. I think this saves at least fifty percent of the time necessary at the page proof stage.

If you or your publishers decide on changes, deletions or additions, please let me have them in writing, at your convenience. I will then make the changes on the master copy. At the page proof stage, the page numbers can be inserted in pencil on the carbon copy, and then transposed on the master copy by typewriter. The master copy would then go to the printer.

I hope this method is okay with you and with Geis; it has worked well with Epstein's book, and with mine.

New subject: I am to be at WBAI's studios on Thursday, the 27th, from 11 a.m. to noon. Afterwards, I am having lunch with Miss Mattimore of the radio advertising agency. If you can join us, meet me at noon at WBAI, which is at 30 East 39 Street, near Madison.

Hastily yours,

Sylvia Meagher