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Dear Louis,

Thanks for the copies of the issue. I think it looks very nice. Also, several people to whom I have shown it have commented favorably upon its appearance.

I have received the pictures, but I believe I sent you a negative you haven't returned.

Your special delivery of July 3 didn't reach me until yesterday because I left town almost as soon as I returned and didn't get back until yesterday. I can't now say whether or not it will be possible for me to do the piece you want in time for your ~~July~~^{August} issue. There are several reasons: I have a lot of work on which I am committee; the piece you want, as I see it, is a sort of case history of an important or several important pieces of legislation showing how these particular guys have hindered its course, etc. At first I thought you meant an expose of these guys, but then I decided you didn't because the Nation, the New Republic, New Masses, PM, the Daily Worker and other publications *(copying the)* have rather thoroughly exposed the Nazi connections, direct and indirect, of all the guys, and this would be nothing but a rehash. If I misunderstand you, please let me know immediately. The one thing I can think of along the line indicated above that hasn't been done to death is the FSA-Agriculture bill, which is in the works, ~~and~~, I haven't had the time to do the research in the Congressional Record and elsewhere that is required. By the end of the week I should know.

I would urgently recommend that you have a piece ready in the event I can't come through because the chances that I can't are very good.

Incidentally, there may be a story in the records of the Jewish Congressmen, who have probably a much better record than the others, by and large, with respect to the war effort, civil liberty, etc. let me know if you are interested and I'll let you know a little more about their records. Oh yes, they have good labor records, they all voted against the Dies committee, etc. This story will probably take between 3 and 4 days to research and do, so there isn't much chance I can do it by the 15th., but if you want it and let me know now I'll be able to have it in early for the next issue.

Yours

Harold Weisberg