

To Wrono and McKnight and file about my today's letter to Policoff 3/3/91

The more I thought about Roger's letter the more concerned and apprehensive I became because it is so unlike him and because it represents so radical a change in what he'd been writing me. I'd known him only as a fine and caring person, a decent man. When he was working for CBS and he knew I'd be in New York he'd take me to a nice place called "Friday's" for a leisurely and excellent Sunday brunch. Unlike ~~my~~ Sylvia, who was of means and who also knew I was without regular income, broke and in debt, Roger always took the check. As I did not tell him or Policoff, the last two times she and I ate together at her invitation, once for lunch at the UN, when she showed me the page proofs and once in her neighborhood for supper, although she invited me she did not take the check.

I know Roger has a mother but aside from Policoff I know of no other person he knows. He never mentioned any other friend or relative and the only thing he has ever mentioned about a girl friend is of regret at not being able to seek and support a wife.

So I've written Jerry because he is the only person I know who knows Roger and the only friend I know that Roger has. I know they have been in touch over Greg's suicide and last I heard from Roger he expected to hear further from Policoff who would be making further inquiries because he has the use of a toll-free phone.

Last night as I thought of how radically different Roger's letter is from anything I've known of him I did for a while wonder whether he could be capable of coming here and doing me harm. ~~Which~~ Which I could not prevent if he tried. I cite this as an indication of how shocked I am by this letter coming from the Roger I've known and liked very much.

The Roger records I refer to are for a book I've been disappointed he never got around to writing, on CBS. Based on what must be an exceptionally large number of copies of CBS assassination records he copied and took before CBS fired him. I think he ~~me~~ told me he had a detailed outline of it but I don't remember his saying he had written so much as a word of text. They should be a remarkable collection of records and while he might have had trouble getting the book published, it should have been an important book.

From my limited experience with such fixations and mind-sets I have no reason to expect any change but if I get or hear anything different, or more for that matter, I'll give you copies.