

Bear Roger,

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I do not expect Esther to really want to discuss why I refused so far back to be ~~it~~ on her show. I then interpreted her (as distinguished from other) reasons for failing to send the ~~minutes~~ court pleadings to which I objected as her recognition of the fact that I had no ethical choice. Now that I have seen what is almost totally ripped off from Frame-Up I've other good reason for being glad I was not on it. Even their vindictiveness showed. If you can send transcripts of this and last I'd appreciate it.

I don't know why powerful corporations and ego-mad executives have to be crooks when they can save so much corporate money and wind up with a better product by merely being honest. However, on this one I'm going to try to talk to someone experienced in this field of law. I think it is plagiarism and I do have a recorded understanding in the envelope in which CBS returned it.

Enclosed is the latest of Bud's ego-tripping. It is wretched business. A story describing the man who did all the legal work as the legman by a reporter who ~~was~~ was at the hearing and knows us all makes me wonder what his instructions were.

Taking the Times' series with it says much about what one has to do to hold a job today. Hope you have a good year,