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Dear Dick,

While eating supper (a dollop of squash and a sidepoon of maitreux with a suggestion of leftover liver) I went back over the day. So, this is more than an and an update first.

Friday I got the books to the local warehouse and wrote Herman giving him a count and suggestions for his trucker.

Just before supper I started the draft of Chapter 4. My five-horse-a-week typist is hospitalized with the flu so she got none done today. For me I'm sure and I do think I've been following your guidance on not too much detail. I'm saving that for where it is, I think, necessary. Unless the phone brings time-takers I'll get more on this chapter done in before I go to bed a bit earlier because I have to get up at 5:30 to be in Federal court in D.C. in the a.m. I have to use the bus and there are only 4 a day.

I should be getting more King material than I have. They are blinking. I'm now paying for a week of "professional" review of our set of BK files on this and I have yet to hear from JH on the apparent change after the newest stone-milling. This might say to me the case is not by compliance. It really is this drug. This is the case on which there is the calendar call tomorrow. I do not now think it will be a sure felony. If there are significant developments I'll have to buy a transcript and I'll post you on it.

I have now seen both the GP to whom we've gone in emergencies and a vascular surgeon. I don't know and don't have to know if Dr. Segal told you anything after I left but he was right. In saying I needed regular vascular consultations. The GP spotted and the vascular surgeon confirmed that I have an artery problem. The vascular man thinks it may really be in the veins but is in the blind because he can't make the requisite tests while I'm an anti-coagulant, which remains indicated. The circulation in both legs and thighs is lower than it should be, lowest below the knees and in places in the left foot non-existent. But, comfort that it is, no gangrene indications.

Tomorrow, after court, instead of what I'd planned I have to go to both the hospital and the pre-paid clinic and ask for records I think will not be easy to get because I'm confident that what the vascular man wants from the records does not exist because it simply wasn't done.

There is a further debt to acknowledge. I was quite impressed by Dr. Segal's care and willingness to be thorough. With this high opinion of him when for the first time I had a real examination by this local GP it provided a basis for comparison and I'm really happy with the GP.

I've practically cut my smoking. Except for an orange the only food with calories I've had all day is indicated above. I drank three small cups of coffee. With all these new tensions I don't think this is too bad.

Best to all,