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Dear Jim,

Here is my letter to Huston. I tried to phone him until late last night. There was no answer, rather odd for a place of business.

Yesterday I gave Jim Alcock a brief rundown on the situation. I also discussed it with Dick. I will continue to try and reach Huston. I have briefed O'Connell, who knows the subject well, this aspect also, and is willing. He is three-four hours away from Lake Isabella, has been there, and will see if there are any pieces that can be picked up. If I can reach Huston and he will not or cannot send by registered mail what he had, I shall encourage him to receive someone from your staff if you can send him.

If you can speed up the introduction to my New Orleans book, please do. It is important to me, I think to you, and may be the difference between having an index in it and having to leave it out.

Floyd also has someone working on this in New York, playing wrong angles and really not understanding what he is doing, quite understandable when it is understood they are working with second-hand materials.

You have no idea how I'll miss your interrogation of Liebler?

If anything develops, I'll let you know.

I've had Penn Jones check out the new Lovelady angle, Photographic Whitewash, 294. I presume you know Sprague confirms this in the Martin film. Penn says he has had the shirt she described to me in his hands, and it is it. The Lovelady's are both willing to give affidavits and the two shirts, but they want money. Apparently his medical needs (cancer) are urgent. They have no money and little earning capacity. I'd like him not to become another statistic and if Dick cannot soon do something, there are some things I can try, and will.

Good luck with Andrews. You'll find my friend Bob Scott a very good guy and I think an excellent witness. I briefed him for this during a long late night and early morning Feb 8-9, after a blizzard, over many drinks. He has also taped Bringuier, with an acknowledgement from B. that he met Ferris in January 1961. I think I sent you that tape also. If not, or if you can't find it, I have it.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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