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Dear L.A., Penn and Shirley (to whom I'm sending a carbon),

I hope by now you all have copies of my New Orleans book, types and all.

Last night Al Chapman phoned to say that the Chuck Boyle show is going off the air Tuesday hence I scratched. So, I'll have to go to Salt Lake City instead, for my west-coast friends had already booked me to go there from Dallas. This, in turn, may mean that I can get home in time to spend Thanksgiving with Lili, for they were flying me to SIC on the eve of the 23rd. At least I have working friends, willing for me to work Thanksgiving, anyway! Hal and a new friend I've never met, a former newsmen who may go back to it, have left me almost enough time to breath in SF. Hal is particular had done another fantastic job of lining up radio and TV. Ten days ago there were more than 10 scheduled. I did one for several hours last night. If you ever get a chance to be on with Robin King, KNTV, he is a very fine and quite responsible guy. Did a show with Jack McKinney 11/1-2, and it had zing, I think. I've got a Liebel tape that fits perfectly with the book and the documents I have. I cut off six minutes in five cuts and I think it went over well. Liebeler is the one who hasn't learned that when you open the bag the cats come out.

Had a press conference in NYC 10/31. Well attended, but doubt if I got any mention except in the Times, which did the story before the conference and didn't attend it. I may be hearing from them further.

If the book does well enough, I'll be out that way again. While, as you say, the chances of radio-TV in Dallas are slight, I hope the future will provide one, for I also think that if I can make it add time to can open the door further. Especially with this time and my doctrine, which is not that of some of the others and provides a formula the Dallas power structure might feel is not hurtful to them.

Chapman also told me that Roger Craig was shot at, for the second time.

Sorry I won't be able to make it this time, but I'm looking forward to the time we can all get together again. I'll be in NC 4-8, Chicago 8-10, SF 10-16 (probable) and LA 16-21 or night 20, thence home.

Maggie has a broken shoulder but is well otherwise. Sylvia, I fear, has become so involved in her campaign against Garrison that she has developed an emotional involvement of a kind she cannot control and is doing and saying things she will later regret and causing hurts she otherwise would avoid. She and I never discussed Gurvick. I knew from the first that Gurvick was not chief investigator, for Tom told me Louis was. But she somehow wrote that he and I told her he was. Now she has seized on a bit of careless editing in the book that I never saw in galley to pretend that I may have so told her. What difference it makes, if it were true, I cannot imagine. But it cannot be true, and what I have in the book is quoted from the newspapers. This is so unlike her, I fear what it can mean. I am not concerned about any damage it may cause me but I am because it is a symptom of the nature and extent of her involvement on something that even if it were important is not worth the amount and kind of attention she is giving it and is at best divisive. Spoke to Bill Sunday. He seems fine. Hope you are all surmounting your own troubles.

Best,