Dear Carol, 2/25/80

I've had to tell Jerry that I don't want to hear from him because all that comes from him is worse than silly and a complete waste of time I don't have. My today's letter in response to his newest, which is all old and wrong, is enclosed.

Mark has Jimmy believing that I pimp for the FBI and CIA, Jimmy likes the idea and is off with more foolishness that keep him from asking himself about Mark, and Jerry believes it.

I can spend my time more usefully that to listening to that and all the other nonsense.

Enclosed is my latest pimping for the CIA and FBI. I'd just as leave you didn't give the other copies because that will only lead to more diversions, away from anything that might possibly be of help to Jimmy.

Another reporter is now working on something similar. If and when it appears I'll send it along.

Jerry says that John skipped out on the way to the half-way house. I'm sorry if he did because it will hurt him much and means more time in jail.

Hope you and Albert and the boys are well and happy.

Sincerely,

2/25/80

Dear Jerry,

Your 2/19 came today. I had just finished preparing for court tomorrow against the FBI in a case now in its fifth year, Lil was making the copies of what I'll need for Jim, so I thiought that with that noise in my office I'd listen to what you had to day. Even for you it was pretty sick and awfully stupid.

If Jimmy broke wind you'd swear he'd dropped an atom bomb. Did it ever occur to you that I want nothing out of Jimmy, expect nothing, never got anything, and if it were any different, do you suppose I'd be telling him what he doesn't want to hear instead of what he likes and wants to hear?

I told you I have no time for your sick boy stuff about how tough you are and how, you think, you could beat up on me, old and sick as I am, and get away with it. If this is all you have to say, don't bother saying any more because I won't listen to it and won't answer it.

If I thought you were capable of having an idea of your own it would be an easy matter to let you see what reality is. It is not what Mark and Jimmy made up. Mark, as you will know, is brave behind the back and at a distance, where talk is cheap. There is no way you can get him on the same platform or TV show with me again. He's done it all he ever will.

I told Jimmy the literal truth. I don't care if he believs it or not or if you do. He sits down there and dreams up one crazifiess after another, Mark wants to keep him happy so he approves of anything to keep him happy, and there is one disaster after another. I'd thought I'd invite you here when you have your vacation in May so you could see for yourself, including how tough your Mark is when he is faced down by somebody who knows anything at all, but because I don't care what any of you think I won't waste that time. If it ever becomes important call Jim.

Mark is real brave with dirty lies in his books, where they can't be corrected, and to make himself look big and tough and all-wise. I never told Newsweek that I was worked for the FBI and I never did. You say he says this in his newest poison. I did work for OSS in World War II and the CIA wanted nothing to do with me when it was set up. Or I with them for that matter. There is a difference when there is a war on. I've been fighting them ever since, as if you ever read anything bu the comic strips you know. If Mark were less interested in conning you both, which is pretty easy, he'd have told you that with Jim as my lawyer I took the FBI to the Supreme Court and after that was all over its files were opened. Jim and I did it, while Mark was making big speeches none of which have anything but propaganda and fabrications in them.

There is nothing about your entirely uninteresting personal life that is of any interest to me and I can't imagine that anyone would find it if any interest in writing. Who would want to read that kind of boring, immaterial stuff anyway?

I close by reminding you of several things I told you before, not because I think you'll pay attention but because I hope it will stay in your mind and at some future time you may remember and profit from it. A baby learns from picking up hot irons. But you and Jimmy make the same mistakes over and over again and then make something up to cover it. Being good at any kind of job, like night watchman, if a fine and respactable thing. But running off at the mouth, as you do, in a ridiculous way (you don't know enough to know how ridiculous it is), is not good and is not respectable.

I don't want to make you feel bad or I'd give you chapter and verse on some of the harm you've caused your family with these stupidities. It is exactly as I told you and you should have seen in the files on you, the FBI didn't lay a harboring charge on you because they sized you up as a blabber. You are and you did and you are too stupid to be able to think back and figure out how.

Like I've told you before, and I mean it, I have no time for your under-developed boy notions, your foolish boasting and your stupid opinions. I won't respond to any more.

There is little chance you'll wise up but you'd be well advised to think about what I've told you.

Sincerely,