Under Hepburn

1/15/69

Dear Gary,

Your letter and memo of 1/12 arrived today. I am in accord with your analysis of "Farewell". Of those protests to you that you cite, if there any any you have not sent me, please do, to N.O. I go there Sunday a.m.

Maggie and the two Steves have met many of these people involved, in Europe. When I raised the Topaz question, Maggie seemed to recall the name Vôsjoly (Voh- zhohlee, first two sylabyls slurred together, accent on last). One of my French friends confirms he is the Topaz guy, says his name is de Vosjoly. He seems to recall a long story about him in LIFE. If this is the case, then there would be pictures which, I think, Maggie and Burton might well want to examine. I am confident there was much publicity not only at the time Topaz appeared but in separate news stories much later. Her I think the Times index would reveal.

LOOK, I think, condensed Topaz. I know one of the magazines did, for I read it. In fact, on a hunch it would fit TIGER when I can return to it, I saved that and the subsequent news stories and now cannot locate them. I have asked Burton, who has a perfect cover as a journalism major, to write the publishers for the puffery. He, like you, is busy in school. It may take him some time before he can.

My purpose in going into this is to ask if one of your friends, perhaps the law-school student who now has a slight familiarity and intsrest, could research this atthe library. If he finds anything, it would be good to get Xeroxes, especially of the pictures, if any.

If the people in California have time to look into this, I am certain they also will send copies, for they are aware of the mistrial possibilities. The man to whom you are to send the documents when you can has been briefed. I have a letter from him today saying he "will make some efforts through my sources in Europe to see what can be found out". If I get any meaningful information from him, I will let you know.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

CC; Ivon, Maggie