1/27/77

Dear Gary,

I've heard from the Lou Gordon Show. The taping is for Wednesday 2/9/77.

They tape at 4:30 p.m. Too late for me to get home that night without driving my own car, which I do not do that far any more or bothering someone else.

The alternatives are staying with someone in Washington or letting them put me up at a Detroit motel, which they will. I'd then catch an early a.m. plane for D.C. and be able to return the following night with a friend who lives only a couple of miles away.

You may recall that when I heard of their desire I said if it would cause you no problems I'd go ont to Mpls from Detroit. I still can and I'd still like to talk to you. It is asking more of you but if you could come to Detroit I'd appreciate that and take care of the motel, etc. so we could talk that night. I mean by this plane also. I'll explain why.

I've been on a good walkingdiscipline kick but beginning in earlt November, first with the developing of a corn from the veneus supports and then from your kind of weather, I've done little walking. Not only do I miss it, I'm getting fat again. And I'm out of shapefrom it.,I tire ~~from it~~ more easily now.

I can't take the cold as well as I did because there is less circulation, so I'd much prefer, if it is possible, to have an airporg motel, have supper there, etc. Next morning we are at the plane.

One problem this presents is my snoring. Earplugs would help, Jim would say.

On the same show but separately, meaning we will be aired together but not taped in confrontation, with be the deputy chief counsel or one of the committee's top lawyers and the acting part chief investigater. Their names are Lehmer and Evans, respectively.

If the Gordon show is syndicated in your area and you can make it perhaps it would be better if you could get there before the taping is over so I might introduce you to their production people on the chance of interesting them in the concept and performances of walk-in clinics. They are aired widely. I knew from Phila to L.A. Not D.C.

Sprague appears not to have cued his flack in. When the committee asked the show who else would be appearing and I was identified the flack ~~xxxxxxx~~ was happy and full of praise. There is nothing in my correspondence to justify committee joy. When I broke off with Sprague and the committee my minimum terms for having anything further do do began with Sprague's departure and that of his then top acting assistant, a DJ type named Ozer. Well, Ozer and his investigater colleague have gone. I've got one bet that Sprague will go and I'll take more. I knew the popular odds. I'd accept them rather than what I believe to be the realities. And if they can't figure out what lies behind some of the stories - and who - they are less bright than I think. As I've been telling Jim, I think the time is past when Sprague will jest about chicken farmers. But don't get the wrong idea. I have not been all that active. Only when I saw need and opportunity

I have not cut out smoking but I've eliminated ciggrettes and inhaling. Twice since before the first of the year I've bought a box of cheap cigars and I have some cornceb pipes and a pound of Dutch tobacco morethan a year old. Rather what remains of it.

Hope a meeting works out.

best,