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Dear Mr. Segesta,

Your great kindnesses and meaningful help require that I take a break in the almost nonstop work and give you a report.

Enclosed is the second book I have spun off of what I originally conceived as WHITWASH III: THE ARCHIVE. It is restricted to a single subject, suppression of photographs, photographic evidence. I fear you will find it as shocking as I do.

Here you can see the need for copying the documents. I wish that earlier I could have afforded to have copies made of many I now will not have the time to go back and get. That I will have to leave for others, for I must move forward.

It is my hope, as I know it is yours, that when people see the real documents, those that were suppressed and those that were to a limited degree available but were abused, they will be outraged, enough to demand that something be done. That we shall have to wait and see, for there is also a limited number that I can reach with a private printing.

When last I wrote you I had begun to work on my New Orleans book. I finished it in early April, my wife retyped it, I mailed it to my agent, Uncle Sam managed to loose it long enough so that Dell decided against doing it, possibly influenced by the beginning of the great campaign against Garrison, I testified before the grand jury, the first writer to do so, and I think I helped in other ways.

My agent got the manuscript to other of the larger houses that could bring it out in a hurry. They turned it down. It will now be published by Parallax, a small house but a progressive one. Their normal means of distribution will be denied them, so we will have to fight on that front, too. We will.

However, not having to retype that (it is 180,000 words), is a great load off our backs, as is not having to publish it. So, I can work on the rest of the materials. With luck, I'll have another book ready in six weeks!

Of course, the campaign is mounting; but it is a reflection of desperation and is not really succeeding. People see through the lies and misrepresentations. CBS wound up antagonising many people, saying if you do not agree with what is illogical and what we here prove is wrong you are some kind of nut.

I do think that since last I wrote, we have made real progress. And if no one else does, I'll keep bringing new things out.

Again, many thanks for your very important help.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg