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Dear Hal,

Methinks the voice I couldn't hear this morning was yours. There are few people in SF who would know the name of the CIM - and I'M glad you do because I couldn't recall it. The connection was very clear but the volume was very low. The poor quality of the phone service, which has been only to SF, is what has kept Harv from using more of me.

BUT, when I have a new book out that no one has heard about, WHY didn't you ask me about that?

When he gets back from vacation, Harv will do a show partly on suppression, partly on that.

I'm going to NYC Tuesday and I'll know more then about the pub date of Oswald in New Orleans. The proofs are due next week. Parallax is doing an original reprint. My agreement with them was verbal until a month ago and it did not specifically include the entire book. It did include the entire text of the book. So, I have a more than 300-page appendix of documents like those in FW and cannot afford to bring out a private printing in competition with a book that will sell for about \$1.25. Here is where my continuing financial problems give trouble, for they should see the light of day. I wish I had some backstopping. Here is something that is of great value and importance to all the growing movements, especially peace and black power and things like that, and they know nothing of it and apparently care less. But what I have documented for them they should make an effort to learn. I have no way of telling them that I haven't tried.

If your committee that said it would pay my fare last winter could scratch up that money, I would use it in Xeroxing copies that I could copyright. I think I could get someone with the large Xerox to let me use it at his cost. I have learned how to Xerox on both sides with that machine. Please try. I cannot do deeper in hock because I have to save that debt capacity for the next book, which I am working on.

My letter campaign has yielded a slight and perhaps meaningless result, as you will see. UPI has suggested I send them 1000 words. I'll answer that letter later today and send copies. I'm doing a kind of answer to the CBS series and have started one on AP that I've laid aside. I may do a brochure on this later. If you have any suggestions, please make them.

I wish there were a lawyer here who would take these cases to the FCC for me. If you think you understand what I am up to, please ask Truehaft if he knows a Washington lawyer who might, without fee, on the principle. I think he'll understand the benefits to a lot of things he believes in.

I'm going to have to see a lawyer about Doll in NYW, on their not performing under the contract and I do not yet have the accounting of my sales due in April. They also owe me piddling little sums. The question in my mind is: pressure or their normal ethics.

Getting into our new place means almost as much as getting out of our subterranean garret. I'm going there this a.m. to meet with the men who are to fix up the kitchen, the biggest job to be done. When we move we'll have a miniature Walden -and better phone service - and better working conditions. So, though it takes time, especially to get any work done, we look forward to it. That Andrews tape is something, isn't it?

Best,

Hal