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Dear Mrs. Warner,

I intended for you to keep the books.

Frankly, I do not want to make any speeches for a while. There are those I cannot refuse, where personal considerations are involved. Thus I've got to take time but to address the PTA and the Civitans and the Rotarians. I've got to speak to Universities where the request comes from friends or the sons of friends. But until I've done the third book, for which we get orders daily, I'd rather stay home and work. But, when I make these speeches, I usually can combine them with radio and TV appearances. Thus, when I could not avoid going to the University of Vermont, I belatedly agreed to go to Tribity and I'm picking up radio at least in Hartford and radio and TV and taping for the future in Boston.

So, I've no intentions of looking elsewhere for a while. If and when you get a worthwhile request, by all means, especially if it can be combined with radio and/or TV, which reaches large audiences. Really, this is the way a democratic society functions, by concerned people seeking and finding information.

When the full enormity of what Manchester has done becomes generally known, many attitudes, including yours, will change. For the one thing we must never fear is fear. That cripples our kind of society. Next, we and our government, whoever runs it, must never fear truth. That, too, is a minimum essential. When governments admit error, which they rarely do, they are not weakened, they are strengthened. The people have reason for faith and confidence and the rest of the world respects it. I think your attitude will change, too.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

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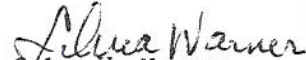
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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I very much appreciated your courtesy and the time you took in coming to see me while I was in Washington.

I have now read your books and given the whole question very careful study. I am still frightened at all the questions you so logically raised and their implications. However, after the most careful thought, we have decided that we are not in a position to offer you a contract covering your representation. I would like to keep the door open for the submission of an occasional request. May we have this privilege?

Sincerely yours,


Selma W. Warner
President

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P. S. We are returning your books under separate cover.