

New Address: Rt. 8, Frederick, Md. 21701

5/3/68

Dear Betsy,

Until I got to your former apartment last time I was in New Orleans, I didn't know of the seeming identity of names of two different people. Therefore, when I could not get an answer after several days of calling and no response to a note, I was apprehensive until I spoke to Jeanine.

Summer is an indefinite designation. I hope, for you, it doesn't commence for a month or so because I'll be there in several weeks, probably a little after the middle of the month.

I missed Matt only in part. I was in touch by phone when he was in Memphis and made a backup tape for him from the phonebooth of a bar about 2 a.m. one morning! And he phoned me before he left for Florida to check on the bona fides of some foreign correspondents I had referred to him in the hope they would go for the excellent work he has done. But you must have missed him for I asked him to give you messages and questions not reflected in your letter. And from your letter I presume those I wrote you earlier also did not reach you.

First, I believe it is important that you make a memo, as I asked, of the strange carryings on you mentioned briefly. It will be held in confidence. I will show it to only one person, without identification of the source except with your permission. This is still potentially important. In writing it I ask that you forget that you are a lady and assume the role of a clinician-reporter. In short, I am asking for an accurate, precise account. I would not were it not in my opinion potentially important.

I'd asked Matt ~~to~~ I engaged your services as a chauffeur when I'm there and perhaps have you shoot a few pictures. This may not now be necessary. I think I'll be able to borrow a car.

Now I'd like to ask a further favor, to be performed to the degree possible in confidence. El Stupido Bringuier has re-filed his frivolous suit for \$1,000,000 against me, using a lawyer who does all these things without fee (cost me over \$1,600 to get the case thrown out). The filing of this suit, ~~was~~ ^{is} has no chance of being viable, is timed with my development of certain sensational new evidence the suppression of which Bringuier was part of, threats made to me and witnesses, and has built-in the intimidation that I'd best not set foot in New Orleans, for they ostentatiously withheld mail service, saying they would serve in person.

Even before this there were certain things I needed checked out in the papers. Bringuier, Vance Baa-lock and Philip Geraci III testified 4/7-8/64. The latter two ~~were~~ were then juveniles. I'd like what the papers carried the, before and after and any available pictures, used or taken and not used. And any reference to or indication of others not called as witnesses or involved. I do thank you and I do hope you haven't left by the time I get there.

Sincerely,

336 Millaudon
New Orleans, Louisiana
22 April, 1968

Dear Harold,

Sorry to have missed you so completely. I returned from Florida Tuesday night, and wasn't at the Gov. Nicholls address before that, obviously.

I am moving from that apartment, as the rent is steep and I plan to spend the summer in California. The new owners of the apt. house, the Chiara's, are not too pleasant, anyhow. They get upset over trivia, but don't hear the sax circus next door to them; the other tenants say that the sound of dollars in the cash register is all they hear. They have been in the beauty salon business, never owned rental property before, and either bought this from Shaw, or from the realty company which bought it from him; they are friends of his.

I have only spent a couple of hours ~~around~~ around the pool, chatting with the neighbors. They have ~~and~~ invited me to return and swim, anytime I wish.

You undoubtedly missed Matt, too. He is in Florida now. I will call Barbara soon and go by to see her, and inquire about your visit.

Come back. I'll keep in touch.

Betsy