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factors will be to prove access, exposure, and misrepresentations; this latter factor is what you seek to gather now - and I agree.

Please remember that many (most?) of those who would (have)(use) your hard sought expertise do so with the encouragement of publishers and editors; who know not (care not) the propriety of source; this elevates any academic or professional twinges of conscience that might creep toward their respective bedsteads in midnight.

Verb and I will fill your appearance commitments as best possible; certainly we will co-ordinate this time. I'm going to get KGO's line-up of appearances down pat first, then we can fill in the remainder. The reason I inquired about "the tab" was because the ITT merger blowup has placed ABC in terrible shape; the "austerity program" has been swift and deep out here, with project curtailments and staff reductions. This I know because of admonishments by the people I'm discussing the TV bit with.

I am going to arrange a private dinner party for you during your stay, during which you will have the opportunity to make or break ALFIE's intended goals, i.e. the final publishing/marketing of your unfinished works and the republishing of a hardcover set. The reason I place the onus of coup de grace on good old Harold Weisberg is because he is "What's it all about, Alfie?" -- as the hit tune goes. It will be an enjoyable affair, attended by people who (will) have read considerable on the subject, mostly from your works.

I will write Wes Bowen today and let him take the initiative, if he chooses; I will give him your new phone number and let him make contact.

The Sparrow bit is like Ainesworth, Phelan, and the rest; calculated distraction at best; if the letter helped exercise your sore shoulder, so much for therapy; if you think they'll print it, so much for delusion. TIME has marched on -- into the institution it best represents: American Fiction.

I must admonish you that the suspicion of LBJ's pre and/or post knowledge is most strong out here, especially amongst those who have taken the time to contemplate the weight of evidence against the Warren Commission's conclusions and his refusal to act in re-opening the matter; Garrison's Rampart's cover statement is sinking in; to openly declare Garrison's statement(s) as heretic or irresponsible is to bite your own butt; to not entirely endorse or embellish would be prudent.

Send or bring along another half dozen sets of the private editions; my best to Lil, will talk to or see you soon.

Best Personal Regards,

John