

10/24/67

Dear Hal and Jon,

Having had no estimate from either of you of the advance copies of O in NO that you will want between you and because time is pressing and I get busier, I today phoned Parallax to get the name of the SF wholesaler and have them phone for authorization for you to get books.

I presume that by the time you get this, he will have some. Publication date is 11/1 and there should be no advance use of the contents. I am sure that if you need them more will be available in my name, but I asked that an initial 50 copies be made available to whichever of you can pick them up and share with the other. Hal knows everyone who aired me last time (and Jon knows some and has others in mind).

The company is LS Distributors. The men to speak to are Lou Swift or Dick Siefert. The phone is 621-8001. Peter Berkman of Parallax was to phone them, if at all possible, this p.m.

Little else new. I have started to copy each of the documents in the appendix (unpublished) so that I can have them available. I have arranged to make copies of the pictures and may have the negatives with me. I'll also have a set of the pictures. I'm told that the camera can retighten on a Polaroid, which is what the originals are. The copies will be 35mm and if it is feasible, I'll have them made as slides also. I have a series of pictures showing the identity of the 544 Camp and 531 Lafayette St. addresses and, of course, the "On-the-Ball" Wall report. I suggest that we try and hold this for the last TV show. I have many shots of the principals that I think it would be unfair to air but could be shown to media people. I will let those who want copies of the documents or pictures make them, one of the reasons for bringing the negatives. Perhaps a duplicate set of slides would accomplish this easier. I'll see what the camera store says. Was to do it this p.m. but couldn't. Plan to do it in a.m.

My SF schedule is unchanged, but I'll be leaving a day earlier. Jim would like as there the extra day. I'll be holding a press conference there and, unless it will be too harmful to Parallax, will tell the story of the suppression of the book by the N.O. wholesaler, who happens to be about the third largest in the country, with branches in St. Louis and Kansas City. This means that from 10/30 before daylight until I leave early a.m. for N.O. 11/4, I'll be home part of 11/2 and most of 11/3 only. We'll have to lay in provisions for my wife for the period of my trip. Very little time from now on for making arrangements.

I may try for a Chicago press conference. - have heard nothing from Steve Burton hence do not know if the 10/18 speech is firm. If it is, I'd have to leave for LA first thing 11/18 a.m., if not I can stay over until the next day, I think. I do wish there were more time so I'd not have to rush so. By the way, there may be a possibility at the W 1-LINE Bakersfield TV station. A guy named Winston wanted me to fly out there last year and I couldn't. If L.A. is not full, perhaps it can be squeezed in from there.

- have written Burton telling him of the need for more Frisco time if this speech is not definite.

Had a nice chat with Herv the other night, until his supper got cold and Judy put the foot down. He'd like me to spend a night with them, and I would like to, possible the night I do his show. He thinks a suggestion I made is feasible. Best to both,