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Dear Paul,

Sorry you have not seen fit to keep me informed on the stuff with which Ned has been filling you. I am aware of the problems one faces when asked to keep something confidential and have often complained when it is not done. However, he has deep-rooted psycho and other problems and the capability of great harm remains in all of this. It will do little good to be sorry after the fact of harm. However, you are not alone in this. What I do know I come to by analysis and indirection, not from being told anything. I anticipated this problem and his long ago and at least so far as his are concerned, if I sent you copies of our correspondence after he broke his agreement, you will find this set forth with fair explicitness. If he had not by now alienated you, you are close to alone in this.

I presume you are deep in your thesis. Good luck with it.

From another source I have obtained some clippings you would ordinarily assume I would want, so I list them so you will not go to the trouble of making copies.

Two articles by Wardlaw, one five years after and another saying that Garrison has a paranoid view; one saying he claims the tax case is harrasment; one on his asking that the Shaw perjury case be heard and accusing Christianberry of prejudice (I suspect he can't avoid this legitimate complaint against any federal judge there, at least not those of whom I know); one on the hoax alert of World War III; and one of a "study" by a Tulane history professor, Wall. I think it would be better for me not to ask for this of him. If you do, I'd appreciate a copy. He appears to agree with the Commission but to criticize it and everyone else and to have in some flattering manner have avoided mentioning Mary and me as among the "Bealey Plaza Irregulars". Considering that none of those he is quoted as helping Garrison did any work there, I suppose we have a measure of his dependability on fact and the extent of his investigation - or the standards of the Louisiana Historical Society.

I have written JMS several times without response. I know he moved. I think his new address is Kelly and I addressed him there. If you are in touch with him, would you remind him of the request for a check I made and if he can't or will not do it to please let me know so I may attempt it by other means?

Nothing really new here except that the spectro appeal is to be heard on the 14th and if Bud is making any special preparations for it he has not been in touch. I'll keep you posted on this, if there is anything other than the result to announce. With this Supreme Court, I will also have some aspects to ponder. I have been busy on other things, not writing or researching. No word from Vawter since the last carbon I sent you.

Best,