3/24/72 Dear Mary, I've given just a little thought to your note that when you are no
longer restricted by confidence you'll have for me the explanation on Lattimer's hangup.
Not as much thought as I'd like, just in-between fragments of thinking. I am reasonably
confident I know you source and I'm pretty certain that is not all you were told. I would
not ask you to break a confidence, but I would ask you to ask yourself what really legitimate
purpose is served in your source withholding it from me. This and the other things that you
may or may not have been told and I think you may well have been. If you were not, you were
not told all. ...Some of what has happened I anticipated long before it happened. I told
you when I was there steps I had taken to frustrate some. At least one of the people
involved in this has deep-rooted psychological problems. I am beginning to suspect that
this is true of another and if it is true of the second it is even more tragic. In any
event, I do a nticipate other developments that i the long run will at best not be help-
ful to us, at worst will be seriously hurtful. I think that among those making it possible
will be some whose intent is not harm, and by the time anyone can do anything it will be
too late. We then will all have to live with it. How out supposed friends can conceive
 that the man who would select a Lattimer and more that is not yet known and still conceive
that he is capable of doing anything else without evil purpose escapes me. Those who call
themselves purists conceive that if anyone says the Warren Report os wrong that is a great
boon. Nobody really believe it any more and this is not purism but infantilism. The average
reaction is so what else is new. We are past that point. But we are not past the point
where individual selfishnesses cripple us, individual hangups frustrate what might be done.
...When you can, I'd like the parts of PM you have back, esp. if you have any su gestions.
It is getting close to the end of Ldl's employment and I must wind that up and get to
other things. Best to Buck and all, HW