

9/28/16

Harold -

The Editorial Dept of Secret say there really is a Marc Olden, and that's not a pseudonym. But they won't give out info on his whereabouts and suggested I write through them for papers to Olden. He would presumably respond if he felt like it.

How do you want me to proceed?

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Roy

10/3/76

Dear Roger,

The reaction of the editorial department at Signet to your inquiry about Olden is not quite what I'd regard as typical. Dedication of the book to his father would seem to indicate that he is a real person - or a ghoul.

I'm curious but it is not worth a great amount of your time.

When it is not a tall call, try their p.r. people.

Couldn't you be interested in the kind of guy who writes a political novel?

Or one who uses a novel to suggest the solution to a major crime?

Been very busy in court and on preparations.

Twice each of past two weeks and there again Friday.

Hope you are keeping at your beck.

Please do me a favor when you write and include a return address so I won't have to get up and look not to trust my memory. This time of the year I have to keep my feet covered with a blanket. In addition that that when I type I have to keep them horizontal. I've had to make a special typewriter table I can straddle. No big deal but starting and stopping is a slight nuisance.

Thanks and best,