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Dear Bud,

Glad to hear from you. Hope we can get together tomorrow when I am in Bethesda. There are more things to discuss than there can be time. One that I believe is in nobody's mind in the possibility of a complete rethinking of our entire situation. And possible new problems. On the Ray case alone I think it unlikely we'll be able to explore all that at this stage should be.

Now that you are back, I would like to clean up the expenses of my May trip to Kansas City, Leavenworth, Kansas City and Knoxville-Petros. (Before I forget on this, I was not able to give Childress enough advance notice for us to get together without my spending the time and money of another day there. I met instead with his assistant city editor until quite late at night, doing considerable backgrounding of which I informed JL on my return and gave him the autopsy pages of the extradition affidavits JL was to have replaced. That they have not done a story on this makes me wonder if I should make a ~~similar~~ similar effort with Yarborough, who has wanted to get together with me but again, with a busy schedule, couldn't. I think he may go for this and the statement I got from Frank in St.L which Jim should have on tape from Jerry by now.)

Previously I have sent you those records on which I had charge-card receipts. These total \$109.98, leaving a balance of the \$150.00 you advanced of \$40.02. I had waited for the telephone bills to come in to clear up the minor expenses. They have and they are incomprehensible, so there may be some minor adjustment later. My total cash expenditures for this trip, including what I now have of the phone bills, is \$127.57. Deducting the \$40.02, this leaves a balance due me of \$87.55. We can use it whenever you can arrange it.

There are always delays in bills coming through. Business is getting beyond my comprehension, interest and overhead totally what they do. For example, it was many months after I saw Guy Johnson for you in N.O., last November, before the last of those bills came. It was minor, merely \$5.56 but tells me. This also reminds me to have Jim remind me that some of the files I got then that I loaned her for copying Mary is now going to return. I haven't seen them, more than to flip a few pages, so I can't evaluate, but if you want to go over them for copies, they are N.O.P.D. files and I suspect largely if not entirely political and centering around the FPCC. I doubt they gave Garrison their intelligence-unit files, which is what these are supposed to be.

There are current N.O. potentials from which I am temporarily foreclosed by the decision that I must, in complete silence, prepare for what may eventuate on the Wecht ploy, which is really that of the Great Liberal Burke Marshall, who seems to have a vampirish interest in the throat-blood of his friends; and by the total silence from N.O. of which I informed you. There are potentials in the bugging case, where I am also limited by time and funds/help. One thing one of your informal associates, any bright kid, can do, I mentioned and we should discuss at the outset because it can be disposed of fast. This involves the Clerk of the House's files. Another is some simple research on Christenberry, whose record is now so incredible I'm surprised at Jim's silence.

Reminder to JL: Schoolman at GR. HW