

Dear Dick,

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In the event little has appeared about it in the papers you see, this hero of the revolt of the Warsaw ghetto who has an existing first-person account of it in a book, was little more than a boy and he escaped via the sewers. I'm astounded at not having heard that the book appeared here. Especially the year of the dedication of the Washington memorial. I am suggesting that if it did not appear you might want to inquire into it. (And if you plural did not read John Hersey's The Wall, it is great. And maybe out of copyright.)

I'm very glad you called because I was concerned on both counts, that your silence might indicate that I was up to something improper and that the book did not interest you.

Perhaps there is something I did not make clear when we spoke a few minutes ago. It is that you have in mind if you are asked the question, what happens if Harry is charged with criminal offenses having to do with his utter irrationality on the book and even more, if the judge sentences him to treatment for his irrationalities?

We had a visit Saturday from a friend on the Baltimore police department, his wife and two sons. He went over the file of copies I had for the appointment with the local prosecutor and made copies to take and give to those already concerned about what Harry has done. He is not a lawyer. He is a criminologist. His opinion is that Harry has engaged in criminal conduct. So, while it is not the opinion of a lawyer, there now are two opinions that Harry has violated the law in his repeated statements that he is, the word he used, the Baltimore police.

I'm glad you called. Thanks. And best to you all,

I was tired when I wrote this and a nap made me more tired. That happens once in a while. I forgot, in telling you why I have so much of JAMA in the book, to say that I have no objection to that being cut. But I'd suggest that the rather large potential readership of doctors be kept in mind. This criticism of their AMA, if it gets any attention, should start a controversy. If the AMA gives a damn, they'll fire Lundberg.

The Baltimore police internal Affairs investigation is not being rushed. Too small a staff, too much to do, and that magnified by all the letters and calls that took Harry's nonsense about their JFK investigation of which he is part literally. They've had all those to deny! While I have no inside information I believe that on the basis of what they now know it is not unlikely that at least one of the cops will be fired, the one who spent most time working for Harry. If that does happen it does not mean that they will on that basis alone do anything about Harry. Unless they charge him with corrupting the cops. He also had a Kmart guard working for him as an "investigator."

Harry appears to have a history of violence. The mug shots that angered him so when used at the Texas confab reportedly were two arrests when he threatened the wife of a reporter. I understand no convictions.

Best
Herold