

5/10/67 Did a three-hour radio show on WBBM Chicago by phone last night. If you do not know it, this Don Cannon show has a very large audience in most of the states. He gave me a chance to respond to Phelan and I convinced him it was not an impartial piece of writing. Apparently I also convinced his audience, too, for in the call-ins there was not a single call reflecting any sympathy for Phelan's point of view, nor was there one that in any way showed being influenced by him...As you know, my mail and phone services are not what they should be, whether or not they are interfered with. The phone was particularly bad and obviously so last night. They commented, spontaneously, because apparently their meters indicated something. This gave me an opportunity to comment on the kind of opposition I have had and what is happening to you, including in extradition. All of this bracketed with part of the story of New Orleans and the people involved the producer thinks made exciting radio. I got a chance to say what kind of people you are, how you work, to my own observation, etc., and I think it was good public relations for you. I'll be doing more, and it is more than a way of offsetting the intellectual finkery. Perhaps, sometime, if you'd like, when I'm doing something like this, we can arrange a conference phone connection and you can be phoned in on the program. A short appearance would not take much of your time and would not be undignified. Let me know.