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Dear Hal:

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Please forgive my ~~inexcusable~~ delay in answering your letter of last fall. When it arrived I was isolated in the Sierras, finishing a section of the book. And then I misplaced it until just now.

I think most of your questions will be answered in the book, an advance copy of which should reach you sometime in April (see enclosed).

Re B and her book, I'm fairly sure it didn't have the blessings of anyone. As you observed, it's filled with implausibilities and errors of fact; after reading Operation Overflight I think you'll understand why.

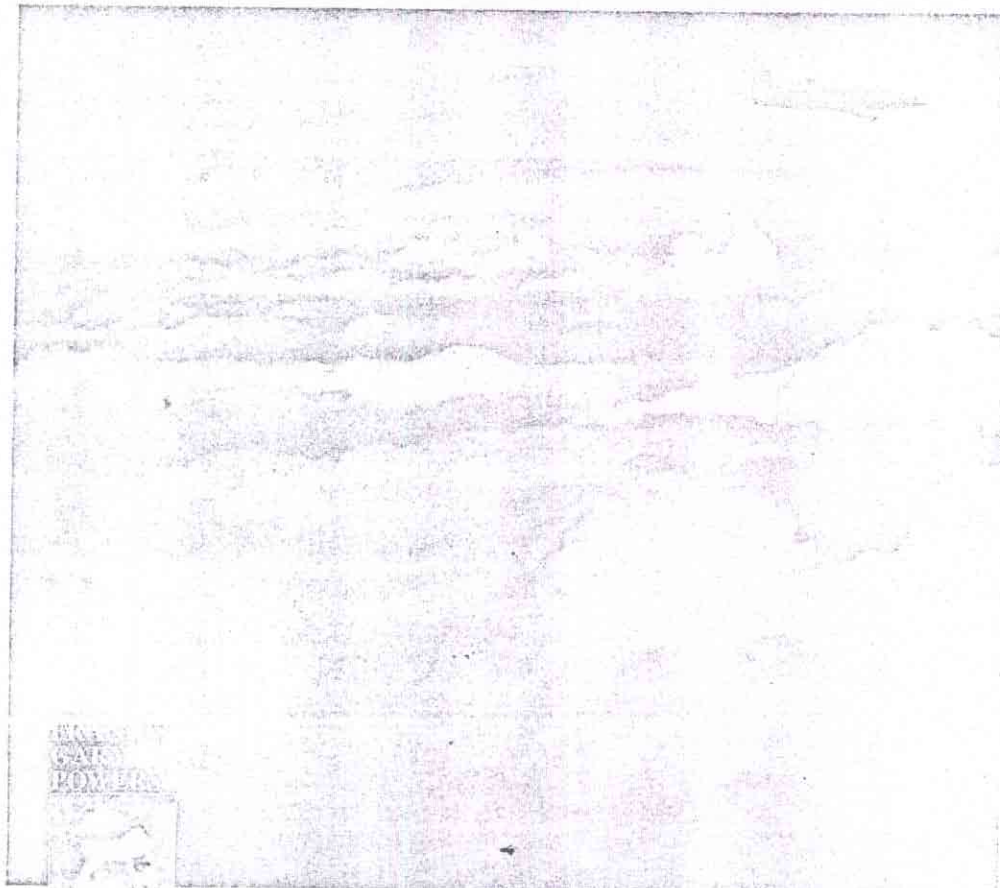
In my research I've come across neither McSweeney nor Snyder, at least not by those names.

Sorry for the messy typing. Have just switched from a standard to electric and haven't got the hang of it yet.

Again, many thanks for your assistance, and best of luck on all your books.

Best wishes,

Curt



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