

Dear Pearl,

12/11/74

If you drink tequilla by the cup what are you doing outside of Mexico? How could anyone afford it?

Sorry about not answering your nightletter. I was in Memphis on the Ray case when it came and Dee phoned in my absence and then when I was home for a few days before I had to return, I did make a few suggestions she thought worth trying, and then with all that happened in, around and because of the hearing I guess I just forgot. It has been hectic. I finished what I had to do for the immediate only yesterday.

It is writ that the love of money is the root of all evil but with so many other changes taking place in international life I think it can be shortened, also consistent with these changes to eliminate "love." It is money that is Dee's problem: fear of losing it by the vast bureaucracy that lives on cancer research.

I face a similar situation with my own work and have not yet learned what I can do about it. All I could do is make suggestions I presume Dee has tried to follow, people who have a vested personal interest and are in the seat of power. They may or may not want to make the effort, may or may not be able to move that great weight of vested interest.

I think you made what is probably the best choice in getting a young lawyer just starting to handle your case. He has more motive and more time and hasn't had time, if he is decent to begin with, ~~him~~ to be corrupted by the disreputable practice of the law. Somebody out there owes me money. I also can't afford a lawyer out there. I have an also just-starting lawyer friend in Washington to whom I've turned <sup>over</sup> this and several <sup>other</sup> matters. He may at some point want a local lawyer who will let him file in that lawyer's name, the various states insisting that those who practice be members of their bar.

I thought Jerry had received the book before he left. It is another private printing in which this young friend is associate and partner. He borrowed the money to pay the printer and somehow, between the two of us, we have been meeting the other expenses. However, because paying back \$6,000 plus rapidly-accumulating interest from a book that has no possibility of commercial distribution is at best a hope, we decided in advance to limit ourselves to the six freebies specified in my last contract. Thus I have not sent you one. I just can't pay for it. I am doing all the mailing, except that when "il has time she addresses envelopes. The copies sold to date come from my by-radio appearance on talk shows and occasional news beepers. Mostly the stations give my name, address and profile of the book. So, I get a check for \$6.25 and I mail the book out the next day, doing the packaging while taking in the TV "news." The heavier the orders the more news. To make it easier the printer used the wrong size and stock envelopes so I have to wrap and strengthen each envelope with Scotch tape!

The book is based on a top-secret transcript I obtain by a bizarre suit. Nothing quite like it on the spooks, either.

I think you'll be happier in Mexico. I do hope so. And when you get settled the first thing I'd like you to do other than for yourself is see if there is such a thing as a directory of Mexico City. If there is there is a building I once referred to that should have a separate listing and I'd like a xerox of that page or pages. If that doesn't work, maybe a library has back issues of phone books.

I'dl hasn't started the grapefruit birdfeeders because I haven't been able to get the stale bread I once did. If I can, she will. We feed the birds whatever else they'll eat that I can get. Even left-over dogfood. And all the table scraps, etc.

Things here, alas, do not change for the better.

All our best,

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Harold!

¿Qué pasa? I know you're busier than Nixon trying to figure out how to keep out of testifying - but thought I'd at least have an answer to my night letter. Didn't my friend Dee call you? What do you think about it all? The truth is that this is the truth - this cancer cure is for real - I have seen the case histories by the hundreds - patients - the medicine - the theory - the development - it's politics, money and egocentricity that keep it from being marketed. Sadly enough, the doctor has an inoculation that everyone can do himself. New York mag had an article a few months ago about two doctors who can cure certain types of cancer - but they freely admit they're not interested in anything not developed in their lab. They even have letters for it something like: NDH - not developed here - or something similar. I have a brother in law who works for IBM out here and he told me the same situation exists in their research labs in the electronic field. Nice, eh? Tell me what you think and what we might be able to do.

Finally got a young eager attorney who filed my suit re the Kaplan matter and it's only costing me 44.00, the filing fee. Will take years but he seems hopeful. It was quite an accomplishment. One day will tell you about my experiences with lawyers - as if you haven't had them.

What are you up to? Jerry was out here and told me you're doing a new book on what was the whitewash story written for - or something similar. Great idea. Let's hear. I'm still shopping for a market for the Kaplan ms. The fact Columbia is making a major motion pic starring Charles Bronson as the adventurer who flew Kaplan out of Mexico, might make my story more marketable.

Planning to return to Mexico in Feb. as this area in no way is my cup of tequila (a book I'll write some day!) My son the drop out will have graduated and gone on to better things (I have great expectations but what Jewish mother hasn't) - my daughter is doing well up in the State of Washington with her father and unwed stepmother - she works in a Kentucky Fried Chicken place after HS) and will too, go on to college. At least I know where home is, I'm feeling much more emotionally secure, if not financially, (but then who is) - and anxious to get back to my base of operations. So watch for another Mexican conquest - tomorrow the world!

Take a moment to say hello - other than work, how are you and Lil? And what are you doing for the birds of late. Never will forget those cute grapefruit baskets Lil made for them. Is she still doing it.

Best to both of you,

