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TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH STEVE BURTON
8:30 p.m. January 16th

Steve Burton called to say he had called Ivon yesterday (January 15th) telling him that Farewell America was to be shown in Washington state and Ivon said that he would call Edd Jeffords and stop the showing.

When I asked Steve if he had written a letter warning the Washington group about the film, Steve said he had written it and mailed it yesterday (January 15th), but then he corrected himself and said perhaps it didn't leave by plane until this morning (16th).

He asked if I had heard that Jim Garrison was in town. I said no and asked him where he heard this. Burton said that he received a call from Jerry Cohen of the Los Angeles Times and that Cohen had said that he heard that Garrison was in town. Would Burton find out and call him back. Burton told me that he wasn't interested in finding out if Jim Garrison was in town and wasn't going to call Jerry Cohen back.

Steve tried to get me to list the good guys and the bad guys for him, as he has tried to do in the last three phone calls I have gotten from him. And I didn't bite. I asked Steve what his present opinion of Bill Turner was and he said that Bill Turner had made some mistakes. I said that wouldn't make him an agent would it? And Burton agreed with me.

I asked Burton if he had discussed Turner's present status with the office and Burton said Ivon told him that although some people in the office had doubts, Turner was still working on the case. I said did you mean Turner can now go down and walk into the office? And Burton said that he could.

~~I asked him if he was optimistic about the trial~~ He asked me if I was optimistic about the trial, I said I had to be. He said he wasn't and that all was lost. I said we've got to trust Jim and Burton said that he didn't know if he could trust Jim now, and he didn't think he would go down to the trial - that he might go down in March, but wasn't sure.