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Dear Mr. Jeanes,

Wish I'd heard from you sooner. I'm going to be in Conn. next Tuesday, 2/7, speaking at Trinity and that night on the radio. My schedule is now pretty tight.

To give you a direct answer, I can now only say I'm more than willing. When presents questions I cannot now answer. I've announced WHITEWASH III for February publication and I am already behind schedule. I've had little time for promotion of WHITEWASH II, which seems to be making its own way, but that is the least desirable way to publish a book with bills and debts to pay.

There is another book I laid aside to do WHITEWASH II, and I want very much to do it. I've done most of the research. And now I feel compelled to seriously consider one on Manchester, who I regard as an unnecessary evil and complication. I believe what he has done and will be doing and the suit and whatlies behind it are not understood.

And I'm but one man. So I am busy.

At some time in March or April I could likely meet you in Washington for part of a day. I go there regularly. There is no decent public transportation to the country, where we live. But I get to Washington regularly.

I do not know what your school schedule is, or where Pomfret is. But if you are impatient and the time and travel make no problem for you, I plan to leave Hartford the morning of the 8th on the first train for Boston. I do not now know what time this will be. But if you'd like we could talk then, if you are not too far from Hartford.

There will not likely be time for you to write and I will not be here to answer. Should this be convenient for you, please get in touch with Mr. Michael J. Masterson, President, Trinity College Political Forum, under whose auspices I am speaking.

Otherwise, we'll have to await the future, for my immediate is already overcommitted.

There is another thing your seminar might want to consider: the special archive in the National Archives. Much of the data is now available, and what is not being suppressed by other agencies and is still classified is being declassified as the staff can get around to it. The size of the material is enormous. But it is an organized chaos.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg



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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

I am writing to you with the sincerest hope of receiving permission to have a personal interview with you. This, I realize, is asking quite a lot, and I am taking into account your busy schedule.

The main reason for wanting to talk with you is, plainly, to discuss briefly some points about the assassination of President Kennedy. I am involved in a school seminar dealing with this subject and we are reading such authors as you, Epstein, Lane, and, of course, the "Commission". At this moment, I want to congratulate you on your extreme effort and perseverance to publish your book. It was well worth it!

The personal interview would be as long as you would have it and the time is entirely up to you. I might add that March or early April best suit me, but this is when you want it.

The interview would invaluable to us and would help the project along greatly. Might I ask you to notify me as soon as you have reached a decision.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Very Sincerely,
William W. Jones