Reur 3/24, here today, agreed on any discussion with Hal. E don't want any of the kind you seem to anticipate and I think he doesn't. There would be some delicacy.

I will have bothing for anyone who is good with tapes. Assuming that the L.A. invitation is renewed. Silence,

Aside from writing you! I made no mention to anyone of going out there except Jim Eason's producer, not a man.

It thus is interesting that Hal knew and didn't say how.

I don't know when any of this can come off. This close to the end of the tax season I d prefer to delay until after Lil doesn t have to go into town each day.

Then, today, I learned that NYU law students are holding some kind of assassination symposium toward the end of April and I'm supposed to have accepted an invitation to appear. It is all news to me and I'd told Lesar this a.m. that I had no disposition to waste that time. He suggested that I might use it well and then lights started flashing! Indeed I might. I'd just love to chew out all those nuts!

I think a law school is the ideal place, too.

Jim had geard something about it and as he heard it the invitations include all expenses. (When he said he'd have to get a baby-sitter for his share of the baby-sitting I said that unless he is a male chauvinist pig he'll ask for compensation for the babysitter.)

So, I also told him that with my recent Black Journal experiences (which include not having guaranteed expenses repaid) I've become a portal-to-portal, in-advance man. 120 miles of driving to transportation, tickets to and from New York and parking-charge allowance - before I leave home. Oh will they love me!

For all these years I've leaned over backward to avoid saying anything adverse about any of the so-called critics, no matter how rabad they were. But the situation is entirely changed now. There are possibilities. These are the types who can ruin anything. Separating them, or separating myself from them, regardless of who they may be, today is a constructive enterprise.

It may knot my guts but I think they 11 take it.

I am a bit uneasy that what you were not told reminds me of this.

best.