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Dear Jim,

Thanks very much for your <sup>9/21</sup> and for the fine diagram and for the time and trouble that represents! I'm sending a copy of the diagram and a letter to a friend on Outlook who did not agree with that story anyway. And can you imagine, that popcock is to be a book?

Glad Buck and Mary are holding their own. Please remember us to them when you speak to them.

When you do, I'll appreciate it if you ask <sup>Mary</sup> if she remembers who quoted Robert Kennedy as saying they expected the military wanted to throw them out. I'd like to be able to cite that in a record I am leaving. But the shape Buck is in I do not want to ask <sup>Mary</sup> to write me. She has her hands full and she can't have the pep she used to have!

I do not plan any <sup>more</sup> writing about the La Fontaines' fictions but I may add what I did write the Post, not expecting them to use it, and your letter and sketch to a long record of a different kind I've put together for the record for history, of the crazy things written on the subject.

We hope that <sup>you</sup> and Tami are visiting your daughter again, and Lil asked me to tell you this, that you can come up here again. I <sup>also</sup> have a few things you may want to see I did not have then and I've gotten much more on paper that you <sup>may</sup> want to know about for the future.

Lil and I are doing about ~~wax~~ as well as we can <sup>e</sup>xpect, thanks. She fell over backward while weeding this summer and broke a wrist. All healed. She had the second cataract removed and with the wonders they can perform today, for the first time in her life can go without glasses. I've learned that I have no functioning artery in either leg, but ~~the~~ legs were not keeping that exactly secret anyway.

I've not heard from any of your former associates since you were here but if any of them is interested they'll be as well <sup>come</sup> and as free as you were, to <sup>see</sup> any copy <sup>of</sup> anything.

I do appreciate the time and trouble you went to so that another of the fictions can at least in a record be shown to <sup>be</sup> what it is, nothing.

Our best you you both

Harold Weisberg

Garland, Texas  
Sept. 21st. 1994

Dear Harold,

Was glad to hear from you. I have been intending to write for some time but just never got around to it.

We were visiting in Washington when the article came out in the Post. I had about the same reaction you did. I thought about calling the Editor and talking with him, but decided it would probably do no good. So I brought the paper home with me with the thought I would write a response but before I got the chance I received a call from the F.B.I. office here saying Revell was going to respond and asked me some questions that they wanted to clear up. I am told that the Post cut about half of his letter out. I have not seen the original letter.

I don't know how we can prove to every ones satisfaction that he was kept in maximum security, as you said you would think peoples common sense would tell them that under the circumstances that would be the only place for him. If for no other reason for his own protection.

As I told the F.B.I. there was at least three patrolmen who took turns guarding his cell in the F-Block I don't have their statements, you may have them in your files. They are T.V. Todd, J.L. Popplewell and Buel T. Beddingfield. I know they talked with Popplewell I don't know if they talked with any one else. I am sending you a hand drawn diagram as I remember it and having worked in the jail for several months many years before. The F block was built so that any one in there could not see or talk to any one else. There was steel walls around it, as indicated by the heavy lines in the diagram. No one was in cell 1 or 3 he was placed in cell #2 as indicated. This is where he was when I pulled him out on Sunday morning. A chair was placed in front of cell #3 and one of the officers was sitting there at all times when he was in the cell. I do not remember for sure how the other cell blocks were designated but I think the 4 rows of cells on the south end were lettered A, B, C and D with the ones on the North end designated as E block and of course the F block isolated. In front of the elevator was the Jail Sergeants office with a holding cell to the left as you got off the elevator along with a padded cell. Of course there was shelves built along the wall for officers to fill out their reports.

Between the double row of cells there was a passage so maintenance could get to the plumbing when necessary. There was also a passage going behind the kitchen and drunk tanks. Even tho F block is surrounded by steel walls the adjoining cells were left empty.

I don't if this will help any but it might give you a better idea of what the layout was like.

I hope you and the wife are doing O.K. We are both doing fine and I talked with

Mary Ferrell this morning. She and Buck are doing as well as can be expected. Buck is still in pretty bad shape. Both seem to be in good spirits. Take care of yourself and if you get printed send me a copy of the article.

Sincerely,

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