

Dear Peggy,

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I'll write you and Mary after I see the assistant state's attorney, when I'll also send the letter I wrote Mary after getting her McKenna letter. The trip to Johns Hopkins, as it has for years, tired me and that tiredness lingers today. However, what I cannot find, cannot be attributed to my tiredness because a Hood student, who is bright and alert, also checked all the files for them.

I do not recall from whom I got it but when I got what was presented as an investigator's report on Mary, including having lunch with her, I sent copies to you and to her. I wanted to attach Mary's explanation of it to that and it is not in the Livingstone file. On the chance I'd attached a copy to the letter I wrote Mary about it, I checked that file and it is not there. I did not read those letters to see if the letter I wrote is also missing. No rush, just for the completeness of the file, I'll appreciate a copy of it.

In putting together the selection I'll be giving to the assistant state's attorney tomorrow I could not find one of Harry's letters in which he wrote, "I am the law."

Obviously, that is one I would have wanted in the file I'm giving to her.

It is not there and it is not in the Livingstone file or in any file I can think of.

Again, the student, who remembers both, also searched and did not see it.

What makes it all the more mysterious is that there has not been anyone here using these records for months and then nobody was in those files. To the best of my recollection, nobody has been in them this year and probably not for the last several months of last year.

An obvious suspicion is that someone entered while we were away. Picking these locks would not be at all difficult but then we are never away for long. We were back from Hopkins yesterday and a month ago, both times, before noon. And then for anyone to know we'd be longer would have required bugging, perhaps a phone tap, which can be a bug. I've no reason to believe there is any. And then the only one who might be interested is Harry. He can afford it and maybe he could have gotten Richard to do it. To the Baltimore police that could be the one most damaging to him.

While there is no indication that this happened, Richard does know how those files, in my office, are arranged. Yet there has not been any indication of anyone lurking around and none of my neighbors would have been party to anything like that.

If it were not that this student had searched and not found them, for the "I am the law" one several times a few days ago, I would attribute this to my carelessness, from tiredness or from trouble with my legs when I stand still. I'm supposed not to. She is a bright and a fine young woman. And I sure will miss her when she graduates soon.

In all of this I have only one folder marked confidential. It is not in the Livingstone file and it is not missing. My Mary file appears to be intact. (I'm not telling her not to worry her needlessly.)

If I gave you the "I am the law" one I'd appreciate a copy of that, too. I do not recall

If this place was entered, and there is no indication of that, I am certain it would not have been by Harry. Nothing is in any disarray to indicate such a thing.

I believe that Harry is busy with High Trash 3.

If he turned the ms. in on time he may well be having questions to answer.

If he did not, he has his hands full getting it done.

Moreover, he is not that familiar with the files. He would have hired Richard, who is familiar and might have the lockpicking skill.

In going over these files I've observed something that may interest you when he get to writing.

In High Trash 3 he has a military conspiracy.

After that was published he wrote letters that I have in which he said the assassination was by the Republican Party, with the execution of it by the radical right; that it was by those around LBJ; and that it was by this Texas gang of his last version.

Hope all is going well with you.

Best,

Harold