

Dear Bill,

12/19/97

It has taken longer than I'd intended but first I hoped we could afford a bit more and then we developed a few of the extra problems that come with age. But I have sent Charles a short note of thanks and a check for \$100.

Incredible as it may seem, I've just gotten home from taking a prescription back, having been lucky enough to catch the fact that I was given the wrong medication! Heart medication at that, and that wrong!

Before that something new in our lives and it looks good: Lil is getting acupuncture and it seems to be helping. Medicare does not cover it and that is currently \$120 a week. With my medicines costing \$750 a month or more! It seems impossible but it is real. So very real.

When the government said it is good for headaches, that is what we took Lil to an acupuncturist for. But he seems to be helping her walking a little, too. So, when it helps, fine, we are for it!

Neither of us can walk very much at one time now.

I've written an Afterword for Waketh. I do not have anyone to do the retyping so in time you'll get a copy of the rough draft. I think I sent it to Dave Wrono for the start of getting it ground. If you do not get a copy before long please let me know and I'll do the checking so that you will get a copy.

I've gotten what may be about half of a book-length manuscript with the tentative title Faking Kennedy: The Dark Side of ^{H. H.} Sy Hersh. It is one of the most deliberately dishonest of books. He did what he did for money and the money began with an advance of a million dollars. There is nothing of any consequence that is new in the book other than what Hersh made up. That Kennedy womanized is not new but he was a good President and Hersh's worst lies are about the ~~Pres~~ Presidency. To be able to lie about that he had to lie about what happened.

Gerald McNight's book on Martin Luther King's last crusade, his Poor Peoples Campaign, has been printed and is on its way to the stores. He has only one copy and I've not seen it. He will have more. I read the manuscript. He did a good job. I hope the publisher makes an effort to call it to peoples' attention.

It does not take much for me to be reminded how feeble I am. The friend who picks up what we save for recycling was here and without lifting anything, just pushing a couple of boxes to where they could be reached tied me.

We do hope you all have a good holiday and a good year ahead and we thank you for so much of the past year,

Sincerely,
Harold

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Dear Charles,

We do appreciate what you have done very much.

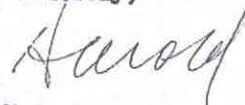
It has meant much to us and to some others, which also means much to us, that being why we have done this work, to make it available to others.

So, this is a small way of saying "thanks" at a time of the year when small as it is, it may be of some use to you.

We do hope you have a good holiday and a better than ever year ahead.

Again, with many thanks and sincere appreciation,

Sincerely,



Harold Weisberg