

3/21/71

Mr. Eugene Eidenberg, V.V., Adm.
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Dear Mr. Eidenberg,

Your non-responsive plaint of 3/23 begins, "I wish I could convince you of my candor and of my sincere efforts to find out whether there is any record of the events you describe." If you had used the lead I gave you, if you had made the request I made of you, and had you told me you had, I'd be willing to believe you sincere and candid. But when instead you avoid this, how can I? And if and when I get to where this is appropriate to my writing, how else can I regard our correspondence but as a whitewash?

I assume with you that you have no way of knowing what federal people did, not personally. I asked that you ask your police for any knowledge they have, not any record, of which they could rather easily have disposed after turning whatever they may have had over, for I did make public comment on this much, much before the matter received any attention from NBC. I was aware of what had happened to my property, and I did have the trouble and cost, plus embarrassment and interference with my work, as a consequence.

Are you afraid of your gestapo? Will you not even give them a chance to lie to you? Do you think it possible that they policed the meeting I addressed without hearing a word that was said there - and I was aware of the presence of agents in the audience and I did address them directly.

You insist there is no record of my presence there. Yet I tell you I was paid by your check. Can I believe either your sincerity or your candor in the face of this when you do not address it?

When I consider that the generosity of the University did not cover my actual costs on addressing your students, I can anticipate that its big heart, financial heart, that is, is deeply touched by the added cost to which that which it caused or that which it tolerated put me. Or is it that 2,000 of your students were interested in "The Integrity of Our Society" that is worrisome.

And, I also told you that there are those still at the University who still have personal knowledge of what I have told you. Is it your sincerity and candor that got you to neglect to ask how you could follow this disgraceful and deeply subversive thing further?

With sincerest disbelief,

Harold Weissberg