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Dear Senator Mitchell,

I have been able to arrange to get the tax I'll need for 9/10 the day before so that will give me some time to rest the afternoon of 9/10 and we can then go until after lunch.

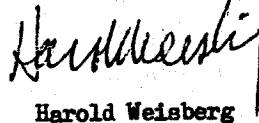
Reading Carl Rowan's Thurgood Marshall book, when I came to his account of the terrible anti-black violence in Detroit of the Sojourner Truth era, I was reminded of the possible black interest in the hearings I edited^{ed} for the Senate Civil Liberties Committee of the late 1970s.

To the best of my recollection this includes the early Bull Connor of that era and on the other extreme the corporate board-room involvement in and support of the groups largely responsible for those Detroit atrocities.

While the committee's focus was on anti-labor activities, there is some such information in these hearings.

My recollection is that Bull Connor figures in the hearings through his involvement in the flogging of a white college professor, Joe Gelders.

Sincerely,


Harold Weisberg