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Mr. Harold Weisberg
Coq d'Or Press
Hyattstown, Maryland

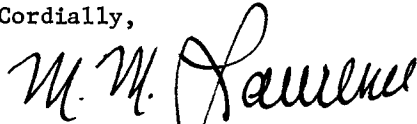
Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Enclosed is my check for \$5.00 in payment for the copy of
Whitewash II you so kindly mailed me.

I will get in touch with you as soon as the plans for my
forthcoming trip to Washington crystallize.

I briefly dipped in to Whitewash II last weekend. It is
extremely interesting.

Cordially,



Michael Laurence
Associate Editor

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Hyattstown, Maryland 20734

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

Your manuscript is, as you promised, an impressively documented rebuttal to William Manchester's version of the assassination, and it certainly merits publication and wide readership. But I'm afraid that, as I indicated might be the case, it's the managing editor's feeling that the 63 columns we devoted to the Lane interview--however flawed his evidence--should be all the space PLAYBOY should give to the assassination. Sorry to disappoint you.

Why don't you offer this piece either to Ramparts or Fact? I should think they'd leap at the chance to print it.

Best,



Murray Fisher
Senior Editor

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October 20, 1966

Mr. Lawrence Wonderman
Playboy Magazine
232 E. Ohio St.
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Wonderman,

Mr. Jerome Agel, editor of Books, asked me to send you the enclosed copy of WHITENASH. He also said to enclose a bill, which I have done. You may, if you so desire, ignore it.

Should you have any questions after reading the book, please let me know and to the best of my ability I will answer them.

Despite the handicaps of a private printing, compounded by our lack of money and the format and small size of the printed word and the improvised and inefficient and entirely inadequate distribution in only parts of the country, we have actually sold 15,000, with no advertising. The "in print" number is now 22,500, for the fourth printing (the fifth edition) is now being made and is, in part, in distributive channels. This book has made page one, above-the-fold business news in the Wall Street Journal and has done many other exciting things.

With what you may regard as an author's immodesty, I believe that all the books that have followed have added nothing material to its contents, although they have expanded on some, and that collectively they do not approach its content. It was completed in mid-February 1965, published in a limited edition six months later, and placed in more general distribution May 2, 1966.

Mr. Agel also thinks you may be interested in a sequel, WHITENASH II. Its subtitle is "WHO DID IT?", meaning the whitewashing. I have but a limited number of copies of the rough draft. Should you like to read it and if you could be interested, if I can I'll be happy to lend you a copy.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg