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Mrs. Ralph Pomerance
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Dear Mrs. Pomerance,

It is not because your invitation was not welcome that I have not accepted it. I have not been in New York when I knew in advance I would be or when I stayed long enough. I've been there but twice since you phoned me, the last time about eight months ago.

Of course, I welcome any chance to communicate with thoughtful people. I very much want to meet Max Lerner, who has printed a few of the very few kind words published about me and my work.

For the past two weeks I have been hoping again that I might be in New York before the beginning of the Clay Shaw trial. As of today, indications are that it will now come off about on schedule. If it does, I will be there about a week before it starts and through it. I will be helping the Garrison office, as I have been for some time. There have been changes there recently.

There is a rumor that, if true, certainly means there will have to be a delay in the trial. It is that Percy Foreman is taking over the defense. When I heard it I had a reporter friend do some phoning. Foreman was either angry or pretended to be, demanded to know how my friend knew, and refused to deny or confirm. His refusal to deny was reiterated when the question was repeated. However, Lawyer Dymond, in New Orleans, was explicit in his denial and insisted he is ready for trial and do nothing to delay it.

I have some legal needs in New York I just have not been able to attend. I have gotten nothing but fraudulent accountings from Dell on their sale of the reprint of my first book (they have been refusing to sell either for some time) and none at all on the second. They owe me much money, and I have been without income and am now about \$40,000 in debt. Because I can get a lawyer only on a contingency basis, among other reasons, I have had trouble. I now have one who seems as though he may be interested, but I want to meet him. He is unknown to me. So, if it is at all possible, I will be in New York within the next 10 days, unless the trial is delayed. If and when I know, I will let you know, for I do want to meet with you and your friends.

Meanwhile, my work has continued. I have two books written, each one with new material. Those who know the field and have read them consider them perhaps the most important yet. The first is POST MORTEM. It deals with the autopsy and what relates. Since completing it I have come across further documentation that is, I think, perhaps the worst in our history. It is that bad. All the copies seem to have been destroyed in some cases. I found misfiled copies. I call the second COUP D'ETAT. It deals with all the assassinations (I had predicted Bobby's and King's, in writing, in advance). It has the suppressed documentation of the involvement of the native fascists, the most virulent anti-Semites in the country. Very little has come to light since I drafted it, but I do have a few additions to make. As soon as I can I will.

I have no idea when I can publish these books. With the funds, were it not for the work I have to do to help Garrison, I could have them both ready for the offset camera within six weeks. Both are already typed to scale. Both have indexes on cards. I have all the many documents for each in hand. The problem is the old and continuing one, so reminiscent of the early and pre-Hitler era in Germany, the problem of fear, usually, I am satisfied, self-imposed.

Whether or not I get to New York, there are two things I can do. I can lend you, on the basis of strictest confidence, copies of the manuscripts. I have an extra one of COUP D'ETAT. When I get to New Orleans, where I am giving Garrison's chief investigator access to its contents, I can probably Xerox a copy of POST MORTEM.

Also, and what I would like, I can let you and your husband see some of the suppressed documents I have. These I cannot carry to New York with me. I think you will not soon forget them. One, for example, suppressed by both the Secret Service and the FBI and then by the Commission, in which a man who had accurately blueprinted the JFK assassination and then taken credit for it, then said "We must now concentrate on the Jews". And did they! Some exhibits of this sort were entered into evidence and then expunged from the record with the false statement they do not exist (I have some).

What I have on the medical evidence is, I think, even more shocking.

When I used to drive to New York, in the early a.m., and wasting no time, it took me from four hours upward. At normal hours of the day and at normal speeds, without stopping, it is a five-hour trip by car, from Lincoln Tunnel. Or, should you care to fly to Baltimore, (Friendship) or National (Washington), I could meet you. It is about an hour from either place. There are more flights to National, and more problems with stacking.

In addition, I have done some of the writing of other books. I can show you what I have for them, documentation that is incredible, like the actual physical destruction of evidence following its "confiscation". And I have to a large degree reconstructed what was destroyed after confiscation.

So, I hope that I can get to New York, but whether or not I can, I do make you these other offers, if your interest is as it was when you phoned. I can only wish that some time perhaps a foundation might get interested in helping me bring to light what I have already developed and making it possible for me to continue my investigations. The burden, physically and financially, daily gets closer to intolerable.

I do, very much, appreciate your interest.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg