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Mr. Peter Rowe,

It helps, in writing people, if you use an envelope on which you've taken the time to give a return address or a letterhead, or a return address ~~xxxxxx~~ someplace.

I do not welcome waste of the little time I have. I think from your letter that your coming here would waste time for both of use. Hence I'll attempt to reach you by sending this through Dick Bernabei, the only rational man to whom you refer.

There are too many people who think they bestow a great blessing on the world by not believing the Warren Report. But they bestow no blessing on those whose hard work they would use free. Nor do they help forward the cause of truth. I have had too much experience with those you list and others generally not to have learned a bitter lesson.

You do Bernabei, who is a serious, responsible and well-informed man a great injustice to say "both Sprague and Bernabei seem to be in close agreement". That is an impossibility or you have the most limited powers of comprehension.

When you can talk seriously of the likes of Turner, Sprague and Newcomb and, aside from Bernabei, not mention the name of a dependable person doing original work, you display a total disqualification for the work you say you project.

Please stick to the nuts.

But if you are serious, do your homework first.

From what little you say, I do hope you abandon the project. We have already had too many assaults on the credibility of those who do do serious work.

You may resent my candor, but if you are not also a zany, in time you will come to understand that I tell you the truth and may save you from a personal disaster.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg

Dick, please forward if you can.

bcc Dick, if you write him, please tell him I mean it. I don't want to waste the time of even a phone call from him.