

1/21/72

Dear Gary (only),

We enjoyed your visit. There has been such a lag since the last that we both made the same observation: you have grown much.

You had hardly left when I thought of one thing I wanted to ask of you and today I thought of another. As you read the new last part of PH, please make a note of the page number on which any document that might be in the appendix is referred to and then add your evaluation of a) need and b) effectiveness. I will have a problem holding it down. And it will take time to go through it to make a list, so that I can be reasonably confident of not forgetting. I learned how easy this is in WW, where I did just that. The other is to please not say anything to anyone of my conversations with Graham. Aside from you, only Jerry knows, and Howard will.

Because you heard only one end of the conversation while you were here, you may not have understood and I may not have told you that he dated the time Marshall told him he had decided to give Lattimer access at their first conversation after Graham reacted to the retrieved story from the tickler. My normal news practise, that should have been close to 10/29. I believe Graham told me that Marshall was away when he called and returned the call on his return. In any event, close to the date. Which is also very close to a date that interests me as a possibility and approximately the time he told the Senator to whom I spoke that he would not. I'm getting a paranoid suspicion and am wondering if anyone has anything on him, like a girl.

Heard from Cyril again today, much along the line of the letter you saw but going a bit further. I responded immediately so I can get everything caught up and get to productive work as fast as possible. There was enough difference so that I felt I should respond, what he added. I told him, in essence, that I can't make right wrong by association with it and that situations change, so that I can say whether or not I will consult with him until I see what the situation is if and when he gets permission. I also told him, without specifying it, that he knew I was opposed to it and that the reasons hadn't changed. I then added that cooperations means two ways, that it had been one, that when I proposed what I considered a safe way of accomplishing the same objectives and more he had not responded, that when I expressed misgivings he hadn't thought it through and had still to ask an explanation, so I had even more misgivings. This time he added to call him collect if I had any ideas or wanted to talk. I told him that I remembered the last time he had said that, when I had and he had not returned the call, and that I was sensitive about not being able to do what I'd like and would not again be put in that position. Which was a polite way of telling him there have been many months in which he could have called me plus the fact that last time he didn't mean it. To all of this I added that I had already wasted too much time trying to help when help was unwelcome when it conflicted with desire so henceforth I'd help those who help me or have the willingness and would be having little to do with others. One other thing, I said that I hope I never have to address the blunders of others, but that it was becoming increasingly clear that at some point I might feel there is no other choice. He is sharp and he will understand what I mean. If he goes in and if it still has the reaction I expect, I think the book of which I told you will be next. By the time I could have the draft ready, Lil's employment will be ended. I just don't want to feel I should and I certainly don't want to. However, without specifying, I told him that should this happen, I had also done what I could to try for better treatment for him that he might expect. A letter from Howard today says that SM has repeated that CW wants to consult with me before going in. I also told CW that I would permit no use made of any of my materials and that were it to happen, I'd see if I have remedy. MR also corrected me. In a hasty letter he had written me he seemed to be saying that he thinks CW should. He tells me I misunderstood and that he doesn't. Apparently the letter of which I told you got a good play in the Inquirer plus an editorial. He didn't send. Now when the youngest of us can do that with a reactionary paper, it says something of his seniors. and of him...Didn't get to read the Lattimer speech from the NY Med. our Jim gave me until yesterday. Jim didn't indicate its significance. He is really far right, as I suspected. So, I've written MMK's man again. Hope everything goes well. Best from us both,