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Dear Mom,

Glad you called. Thanks. I'll repay the kindness, in part, by making a special trip into town to mail the picture, thus, ordinarily, saving a day. It'll still go out tonight.

Of course, there are many things you will have to do. The same is also true of me. I have an enormous amount of material to be written, several years work if I did no more research and investigation. Some of it I'd like you to be familiar with, and some of the new possibilities that, despite everything, are possible.

I am preparing to file some suits against the government. I have a firm grip on short hair. They are delaying, which does not displease me. These have real possibilities and will be angled in a special way. It may interest you.

I had hoped you'd be able to get here sooner than "in the next month or two", for the sooner you know where I am and what I think (I've been doing much thinking) the more it can mean. Lil is spending two mornings a week in tax refresher school, but after the first of the year she'll be working daily until April 15. This also means that if there is any reason for me to go to N.C., it would be better sooner than later. She requires transportation.

Each of the things I have asked you for recently, in one way or another relates to the question you raised, did I have something. Your question makes me even more anxious to get those and any related things that occur to you, so I can digest them and see where and how they fit. Including Crystal Springs.

On the testimony, there is an advantage in my having all of it, for unless I change the arrangement, all of my files are to be part of an archive in a major eastern university. However, there is some of it in which I have either no interest or no immediate interest. If you could send me a list of the witnesses, I'd mark those I'd like to see first, etc., and there would be no pressure on getting it done. Also, I can make it available to others, as I did with Finck, Frazier and Nichols'.

But please try and start feeding things to me as soon as possible. The past year has aged and slowed me. I do not think you'll know what last November, December and January cost me, in aging and strength. If I still turn out more work than most young men, I also produce much, much less than once I did.

Meanwhile, as Harry Golden said, plagiarizing from so many Yiddish memes, "Enjoy, enjoy".

I'll not forget trying to get the print of the enclosed "False Garrison" picture.

Sincerely,