

4/15/70

Mr. Tom Kelley, Asst. Director  
U.S. Secret Service  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Kelley,

This letter requires no response unless you prefer to make one.

When I mentioned what Sherman Skolnick is up to, the day after he filed his "suit", which is entirely spurious (I have a copy of it), you laughed and passed it off as no more than part of what you described as the unfortunate Bolden matter.

I have my own interests in it, so, to the limited degree possible for me, I have been gathering what information I can about it and him. I think much more is involved, and I am now unwilling to assume there is nothing here but a publicity-crazer off on an ego trip.

While I do not suggest your interests and mine coincide exactly, I have the notion we have areas of common interest. I take what I recognize is a liberty in suggesting to you that you might be well advised in collecting what I thus far have not been able to get. What I have, if it interests you, is available to you. Among the things I have not been able to get that I hope to ultimately and I think may be worth your having are his original and apparently rehearsed broadcast on WFSV, Skokie, Ill., taped earlier that night and broadcast about 11 p.m. CST. Their phone is 312/677-5900. Ed Lucht is manager. The man who sired the show is named Webber. He told me the tape disappeared, immediately and mysteriously. Lucht has not replied to my written request for a dub of the tape or to serious charges I made. WCFL, although they now deny it, worked with Skolnick in preparing his "suit". A reporter named Pahn did beginning at least two weeks prior to filing. He participated in some of their Bolden interviews. He thinks all, but this is not the case. (I believe here Bolden may also be a victim.) WCFL aired their "scoop" before the suit was filed, which makes them, in a way, more vulnerable. They first promised me tapes, then said I'd have to ask in writing, and then my properly addressed letter was returned marked "address unknown", which is a grim joke.

My own interest in the Vallee matter is known to you. The only additional information I want for my completed writing is what I had already asked of you. I do hope you can supply it soon, for I may feel I'll have to make some kind of response to these wild and awful things that are getting extensive attention in that area. For example, the Daily Calumet had a very large and very black front-page banner headline on the front page 4/9/70, on a story that among other things charges the Secret Service with being part of a conspiracy to kill the President.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg