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Mr. Harold Weisberg
Publisher
Hyattstown, Maryland 20734

Dear Mr. Weisberg:

If your printing requirements include the need for seasoned proofreading, I shall be glad to hear from you.

I was interested to learn through Publishers' Weekly of December 12 of your Whitewash II and your earlier book. If you do not depend altogether on printing plant proofreaders, I can envision that I may serve you. I plan to retire within a few months from Stanford University Press, to which I came six years ago as proofroom supervisor, and return to live in the Washington or Baltimore area. At sixty-three, my health is excellent. In addition to my regular work at Stanford, I have this year free-lanced six books for The Johns Hopkins Press, of Baltimore.

I started proofreading in 1940 for the magazines of The Curtis Publishing Company, following ten years as a reporter for your neighbor, the Frederick News. Your location at Hyattstown interests me very much. I am a native of Montgomery County; in my youth my father was pastor of the Hyattstown Methodist Church and lived twice in Clarksburg.

Relative to the Kennedy title you have written, I may note that I proofread in its entirety our Greenberg and Parker: The Kennedy Assassination and the American Public (1965). A good deal of our work is now with paperbacks.

Yours truly,



W. W. Smith

12/28/66

Dear Mr. Smith,

Both books certainly would have benefited from proofreading and editing. I don't know what the future will bring, for I do not intend to stay a publisher. But, after you get settled near here, let me know where, just in case.

You'd not recognize the Frederick News now.

I expect my mother-in-law and others of my wife's family recall your father, if they do not recall you.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg