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Dear Mike,

9/14/95

Thanks for your letter of the 11th and for the enclosure.

Here are the indexes for NEVER AGAIN! But I have no copies of the book. I asked the publisher for some six times, offering to pay for them, so I would have copies to give to friends and ~~to~~ those who have helped me, like you but I got not even an acknowledgement. If your book store does not have it The Last Hurrah at 937 Memorial Ave., Williamsport, PA 17701 has and mails them.

On the oral history we are to do I suggest you bring your tape recorder. Travel having been unsafe for me for almost 20 years I've had no need for one. I do have the microcassette one you gave me but you and the school may want standard tapes.

There are two places in Garrison's On the Trail of the Assassins, the one trail he really never took, that I think lend themselves to presenting the other side of the strange and tragic man. He was indeed talented but he was playing games with the JFK assassination. One is where he was in Albuquerque and Boxley turned up and he says he sent Boxley back to N.O. indignant over the waste of his scarce funds. The other is where he says why he fired Boxley.

I was involved in both and I have records relating to both. I won't say more so it will be more of a surprise to you and to Scott.

Come to think of it a radio I got ~~it~~ has what we have never used, taping capability. But it is much larger than a tape recorder. However, we can use it.

Now on the index, which the publisher actually forgot all about, it was never read and corrected. I'm told it is off by a page and then two pages. I think I spotted two places where pages were omitted after I went over the proofs. So, in using the index, if what is sought is not on the page given first look on the page before and if not there, on the page before it.

Please if I do not keep the oral history to where high school students can follow it call that to my attention.

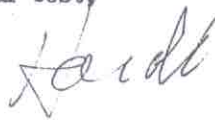
I may want a dub of the tapes for deposit at ^{the} hood.

This will be something I've never spoken about on radio or TV.

And I was never interviewed about it.

Bill and I look forward to your coming and as you mention, ^{to} one of Nicole's special oriental preparations.

Our best,



9/11/95

Dear Harold,

I just got your letter and agree with what you said. But I guess I didn't explain myself properly to Lillian. For one thing, I will not be missing any student/teacher days. I enclose the schedule of our school year. My principal has also been very positive about my research and in particular my contacts via phone and in person with you. But there have been a few teachers (one in particular) that has been spreading rumors that I have never talked to you via phone let alone in person. He has told some people, "Why would a person that is a leader in his field and has published several books on the Kennedy topic invite Stanke to his house several times?" Without getting personal, this person teaches social studies and thinks that the Warren Commission was an honest and accurate investigation of the JFK assassination. He has insinuated that I have never met or talked to you but instead have been faking the entire episodes. My principal has great faith in me, and my not even be aware of the slander of a couple of my fellow teachers. I asked for the letter so there would be no doubt that I have had and continue to have the honor of speaking to you via phone and in person. Also, that I would be performing oral history on the Garrison episode with a person that was there. I in no way wanted want you to write a letter that you do not want to write. More importantly, I do not want to alienate you from me. I value you patriotism and kindness to me. Who else but Harold Weisberg would treat a nobody like me, to enter his home and educate me on such an important topic. I apologize to you for putting you in such an awkward situation. I guess, I was asking you to get a few people off my back. I let those few people to ask you to waste your valuable time on something I need to deal with in my own way. This was a selfish reason. I hope I have not lost any respect

you may have had for me. I know realize that I must deal with these nay sayers with the same courage that you have dealt with all the MANY tribulations that you have had to deal with over the many decades. Please accept my regrets. I should have followed your dedication and courage. As I write this, I feel a real shame for not dealing with this myself. Again, please forgive me. I know you may think I am over stating this but, you are the only person I know, beyond my mother and father, that I value so much.

As for October 28, I will have reread Garrison book, and will have several questions that you can respond to and set the record straight for those who are concerned about the truth. I will also review my viewing of Stone's film and any relate information on Garrison.

Please do not send a letter to my principal, I know see I need to believe in what is true and to hell with people who say I have never talked to you via phone let alone in person.

Finally, I enclose a check for the three copies of the index. If I have over paid, PLEASE take your fine wife Lillian to your (our) Korean restaurant.

Again, thanks for talking allowing me to know one of the finest and most courageous men I have ever known.

Can't wait to see you again,

Mike

Mike Stanke

*P.S. - Send three Never Again indexes
AND another copy of Never Again
IF POSSIBLE.*

*P.S. - ~~My~~ my request was to have you write a letter
to my principal and tell him I requested you to do so.*

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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF ONALASKA
1995-96

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Legend

- H = Paid Holiday
- SD = Staff Development
- PTC = Parent-Teacher Conference
- X = Vacation
-) = End of 9 Weeks (Quarter)
- ED = Early Dismissal

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Labor Day Sept. 4
- WEAC Convention Oct. 26-27
- Thanksgiving Nov. 23
- Christmas Dec. 25
- New Year's Day Jan. 1
- WWEC Conference Feb. 9
- Easter April 7
- Memorial Day May 27