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Dear Oliver,

We haven't moved. They've renumbered the rural routes again.

Several coincidence and the need for a new typewriter ribbon before I can continue annotation of Post Mortem prompt this letter at this time.

One is an odd statement from your magazine for 40 pouns I received almost two months ago, a courteous remembrance of the help I tried to give Willia Shawcross. Maybe this is your tax season?

The other is the possibility that I'll close a deal today with the National Enquirer (sort of like your News of the World) for ancillary rights to Post Mortem. My proposal to them was whatever they wanted, prepublication, in return for enough to pay for a 5,000 print. Advance indications are encouraging. Their stuff is already written.

And the biggest two remaining jobs before I can print are a cover and the completion of the index on which "il is working.

The book will be a 660-page monster. I've added a fourth part on the results of an ostensibly unsuccessful suit for the spectrographic and neutron activation analyses. The judge ruled against me but as in all other cases what I did get is fantastic. (They had to save the judge's face and most people have no idea what I've gotten because those on my back, who think they get free what I sue for by writing letters of request, could not and did not get what was given to me almost under the table for the judge's benefit.) About 150 pp. will be facsimiles of documents and pictures. The appendix is completed until I know the esact space the index will take. I'll then add documents to total 620 pp.

I don't know what the Enquirer is going to use. They've had access to all, are considering one major story and one based on what I've got that nobody else has, a story that can be headed, "Secret Scientific Tests Prove Oswald Did Not Kill JFK." (I think this is the kind of thing your News of the World People would go for and pay well for and it is true and I've perhaps 300 pages of the most arcane science plus a few pretty explicit pages that are enough. I don't want it to get around that I have this because the ripoff artists will then be after it and I'd like to be able to use and sell my own work. With your help, thanks. The Enquirer will have first U.S. print rights only.

A friend there is hopeful that with the new interest, the character of my work and its overwhelming documentation, all official, the first story can lead to a series. There surely is a long and definitive series and one hell of an expose of the FBI. (I have several separate ones on the CIA, new stuff)but not in this book. For others.)

Apparently your people have not gone for this. Could you possibly speak to others who do pay decently without compromise to yourself? Gordon Harbord, who has been magnificent, has not answered my last or last several letters. I fear he may be ill. He has every reason to be discouraged but I think there isx a market now, there and on the continent. And it could not be more timely. What Ford has just done makes what I've printed on him what ordinarily would be good copy. Stealing and selling a TOP SECRET document and now protesting open releases of what is not hurtful except in embarrassment. He also lied under oath about this. Nice chap. Good Presidential magerial. He even edited out all that would embarrass the spooks when he stole & printed.

Until the work is camera-ready I can't say when it will be out. Probably about two months. It does have new documents and new pictures, you may recall. I have more.

This updates as best I can. Again thanks, Sincerely,

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