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Dear Hal,

The outside temperature is hot here, too, but we have air conditioning and the pool is a wonderful respite. Hot as the weather has been, it has also been comfortable for my wife and guests to sit outside in the sun during the hottest part of the day. There is always a breeze. You'll feel the heat less here. The humidity is as high here else, but in the pool or being fitted from the air conditioning, it is no problem. We are both sensitive to it and feel it only when we are elsewhere or travelling.

I was aware of Garrison's speech. I did not know it would be with Mark. I have no interest in it. I have heard enough of my own lines and concepts and do not believe propoganda and information are identical. I have no plans for being there.

Come whenever you can for as long as you can. I will keep you busy. I have two unpublished books I want you to read and comment about. You will also find a few things you didn't know about.

When you are in touch with your west-coast friends, please try and get me whatever they can supply on Thornley, Lifton & their shenanigans. I have seen nothing since Dave's second Open City piece and I know there is more. I have indications of a suit against me, which I would welcome if they are that stupid, and I also want to be informed of what they say, as does not what devil with any genuine love of scripture?

Gary Schocner, who you also should meet, will soon be here. I do not know when. He is going to Phila next week. We can accomodate both of you simultaneouly. You also should know of his superb work. I have no present plans for leaving. I will go to Calif. whenever I can. Half the arrangements are made. An appearance in San Diego will take care of that. It will not be until other arrangements that will pay the fare are made. I take it you plan to come after 8/7. Fine. Let me know and I'll meet the bus. I am now wearing shorts and sandals and finding it comfortable. Bring any informal clothes you have, and a bathing suit, too.

July 18, 1968

Dear Hal,

Your letter received the other day. Since my arrival here, there's been a real heat wave in Jersey with temperatures up in the 100's. I'm not quite used to it and the humidity seems to sap one's energy. But a cooler spell is due and soon.

I checked with the bus schedule of Greyhound and they said I could make a connection from Baltimore to Frederick. This will be the way I'll travel since I definitely won't have a car available.

I would have taken the bus to you by this time but first I want to check out a few things in New York. I've written to Trent Gough in New York and hope to meet with him before I see you. There are others in N.Y. I'd like to see such as Sylvia Meagher, Sprague, etc. before coming to see you.

Speaking about New York, did you know that Garrison will be speaking in N.Y. on Aug. 7<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday)? He's to appear at the Mark Hellinger Theatre, 237 W. 51<sup>st</sup> St. together with Mark Lane. I plan on being there, and will tape the talk.

Keeping the above date in mind, just when do you think I should come out to you? I could leave either during the week or on a week-end by bus and stay for several days. I'll leave the dates open based on your discretion for you know better than I when you'll be relatively free.

I'll call you when definite dates are set.

Best,  
Hal