

10/7/69

Dear Hal,

I'd forgotten I'd asked you to get a copy of the Spy Wife book. Many thanks. I started to read it last night. Not much as far as I've gone.

Broshears is as I told you, no good. These clippings do help round out the file on him, and if you find the one of his suit, that will also, in the event I ever go into him. But I doubt it for, as you know, I had no confidence in him from the beginning.

I had just sent you a clipping of the rejection of Mrs. O's suits. If what your papers carried says more, I'd like a copy. Too bad she is such a wierdo, for there are other viable suits she could file, and they could do much to bring truth out. I think in these cases she also has a good case in law.

Today's radio and TV and papers here include the fact that some of the rifles General Turner got wound up in the hands of Haitian brigands. No more about it, no details, merely the total, 5 tons of them. Which is quite a few pieces.

I think you've probably gotten one of the better tape recorders. My experience with my own cassette machine and cheap tapes tells me that with it these are a poor economy. They give much trouble. One sale around here they can now be had for \$1 each. Steer clear of the Mexican ones in particular.

Have you had a chance to ask Jonn about the 5,000 copies of O in NO, or to ask Truehaft if he would help me on this? Jonn has refused to return them to Canyon, refused them to me without my paying for the shipment, which I cannot do, refused to account for them, and says he has not gotten a penny. The mystery of Jonn deepens with his refusal to be less than a prick when he has money. He had also promised to make good the transportation cost he got me stuck with my mixing in when I warned him against it. And our finances are precarious. If you speak to Truehaft, you might see if he would be interested in a suit against Butler, if there is one, which would expose him and Shick quite a bit. Butler is trying hard to be the leader of the campus rightist provocateurs. He has given them their name and some of the leadership. He is a rotten whore. I do not know if, within the law, there is a suit in what he has done. And it might take more work than Bob would have time for. Or then it would be worth. But of one thing there is no doubt: if there is an action, Shick has the money to pay off a judgement.

Please be sure to remember me to the White's when you see them. Often I think how good it would be if there were someone like him near here who could edit my outpouring. I am too close and cannot take the time from other work.

Sincerely,

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Dear Hal,

As I write you this very moment the earth shook a little and my apartment shimmied from side to side, the effect of a tremor. That makes the second one tonight within two hours which I cannot recall occurring since having moved here.

I just wanted to get this into the mail tonight and to tell you a few things of some import although there is a dearth of news about the case.

Reverend Broshears is up to his old hi-jinks again this time as the minister of St. Timothy's Orthodox Episcopal Church in San Francisco. The enclosed articles speak for themselves so there's no use repeating what they state. I might add that the Berkeley Tribe which is the underground newspaper started with a splinter faction of writers from the Berkeley Barb several months ago had an article on Broshears (with his photo) claiming that Broshears is suing the S.F. Examiner. If you want this for your files I'll get a copy and mail it off but I've misplaced mine.

Speaking about suits, today's S.F. Chronicle reported that the \$25 million suits filed by Mrs. Oswald were dismissed by the Federal judge. The AP story refers to Lee as the "alleged" assassin. I haven't seen other wire service reports on this so I don't know how they refer to him. As you know this is in keeping with a policy decision handed down by an AP big-wig some time ago in referring to Oswald. It would be interesting to know what led them to make such a decision.

Thanks for the note to both Gary and myself about the typewriter. If you'll recall I said that I had managed to get one which is the one I'm using now (an Underwood-Olivetti) and it is pretty good. As for your efforts in looking for a tape recorder thanks again but I did buy one (a Panasonic cassette type). I do appreciate your letting me know. Tell Gary he can have first try at whatever you are able to obtain.

Now as for the questions in your letter of 9/20 it's too

long and detailed to answer all your questions point by point in this brief letter but I will answer these specifically in a letter I'll type for you this weekend. These will concern Dekker, Primmer, etc.

As for your request to have a copy of Gary Powers' wife's book this will be mailed to you under separate cover and you should receive it about the same time you get this letter or a day or two later.

In haste, I want this to get out tonight.

Best,

*Hal Verb*  
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