City News Center 516 West Wisconsin Ave. Milweukee, Wisc. 52203

Dear Mr. Green.

It would seem to me an explanation is an order. Your return of the 50 WHITEWASH II you ordered in the box in which I shipped them to you without their having been removed from the box is expressive enough, but the reason is not apparent. We have so little time and spend such a small part of it sleeping it is frustrating to waste it making packages and typing invoices and in postage, which you certainly owe us.

Because the books were in the same box and had not been repackaged, where the box had been battered on the way out in normal post office abuse it was weakened too much for the return trip. Seven of the books are unsalable. I'd appreciate it if you make a claim for them so we will not lose that also. Your insurance number is 441433.

When I was in New York I did not have time to visit Sidney. He told me you had phoned. At that time, having more to do than I could had having just ended a four-hour debate with ouis Nizer, which was a rough deal, I asked him to call you back and ask you to write me what you had in mind. I was in no condition to discuss this matter, even if I'd had the time.

Meanwhile, I declined an immediate paperback offer because of what had transpired between us by phone. I had expected a proposal from you based upon what you had said.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg