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Dear Ed,

What you say in your 2/23 means much to me and I thank you for it and for the understanding it reflects.

It is gratifying that others also are beginning to see this. Also in the mail with your letter was a similar one from a stranger in Flint, Mich., who spoke of PM in that sense, getting into it from having seen me on the "Lou Gordon show.

The fact is that the AIB operation has been combined disinformation and ripoff. If they were not self-promoters off on what Williams with some honesty described as a "gig" they would have arranged instead for those who know the fact to speak. That would have been unselfish and would have avoided ripping of the minds of the college generation. They did contribute much to the pressures that caused this "investigation," neither then nor now was or is this good. It is terrible! They were unresponsive when I made several efforts with them and they did not heed the caution Jim read for me in 4/75. The result is this Keystone Kops fiasco. The net result is service to the executive agencies. Those who have so much to hide. What this gang considers to have been in its mind, their individual motives, is entirely immaterial. What they have done is what I regard as material.

Lane and his are not different except in evil degree and degree of evil. The present situation is more his responsibility than that of any other. He is in some ways desperate over it. Freed has already started to go public with his drivvel in the Black Panther paper. Lane is public all the time. He spoke on a Los Angeles talk show, Mike Jackson's, last week. If you have any sources of a tape out there I'd like to keep up with what he is up to because the time is close when it will have to be addressed. The more steam P-H and those with ancillary rights put behind Code-Name Zorro the more harm it will do. It really is a defense of the FBI he is too ignorant to comprehend and too indifferent to care about.

Any small item from any alternative paper can be of help in this. I have the "March/April Skeptic, by the way, so do not trouble to send it. In it he was more self-illuminating than most will perceive or than he understood himself.

The occasional radio show, like the one you caught from Pittsburgh and of which I have a tape from a friend there, can also be important and contribute significant knowledge. That one did.

Again thanks, for the words and for the copies you send.

Sincerely,

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Dear Harold,

" Guide once wrote:

Please do not misunderstand me too quickly."

Like Melville, your work has been misinterpreted. He was regarded as an adventure writer by his peers. Your work is put into the genre of "Attack on The W.C." "Historical Woodsmen"

"Muckraking polemic" and other absurd labels. Yes, you write about Dallas but only as Balzac wrote about Crime or as Stendhal handled The Battle of Waterloo. The center of your work is not Dallas but even The W.C. but The Corruption of America, its institutional rot, the decay of justice. Dallas is a symbol. After all,

Was The Watergate prosecution
less corrupt than N.M.'s
Justice Dept. or merely
made "themself"? You have
caught the sweet odor
of decadence.

"Others say, 'That
last Hoover' as if Kazenbach
or his ilk were 'better'."

The new data in P.W.
was great.

One point. Russell
gave Schenman the boat
himself and wrote a
long memo which dissected
Ralph. Ralph claimed
he was later given the
boat. A lie!

You were too rough
on A.I.B! Many are not
fiscally oriented and
are good hearted kids
even if rather wild
and paranoid. They are
our own and have been
good at drawing letters
and organizing others.
Dedicated, good motives,
but even if nuts, they
are our own nuts.
Ho Ho!