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Dear Harry,

The one thing I did not and do not wish is that you "were dead."

Or, for that matter, at least as far back as I can remember, ever wishing this about anyone.

Other wishes? Plenty!

But not that one.

When you have page proofs and the publisher ~~is~~ has blurbs, it must be close.

And the timing for that is close to perfect. All assassination books are selling exceptionally well.

I hear that Gary Shaw with Dr. Crenshaw has "Three Days in Dallas" due within a month but I know nothing else about it.

I hear also that St. Martin's Press is coming out with a book that names the alleged second assassin

So, before long you'll be on the road again.

With competition that I think will not hurt.

It is kind, we appreciate it, and we thank you for it.

Best,

Harold

Acknowledgments

As with every book, many people often help out and sometimes go unsung or accidentally forgotten. If I forgot somebody, it was not intentional.

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