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Perhaps I'd better start worrying about being a bad influence ob Lesar. His opinion of my Synday's letter to Schweiker is that it was too mild, too restrained. He seems to have agreed to my recommendation of the most vigorous approach in the Ray case. I've not carboned you on all. I think I've persuaded him that despite his being one and a little-known man the situation is one in which he can insist upon proper demands or as an alternative demand a hearing nobody will dare give him. There has been the most wide-spread unprofessionalism I think few people will want aired. The now-scared judges want to unhock themselves. Jim can tell th m to do it themselves unless they agree to his terms, which involve, as I've recommended it, that there be a prohibition against any other lawyer meddling in the case without his assent as long as the court insists on his handling it. I've suggested that for a recognized pauper the court ought to start paying him for what he does involuntarily. And more. It will stir t ings up and if it does nothing else it will dramatize. I've suggested that if his terms are rejected-yeah, terms - we hold a joint press conference and lay it all out. Might even be some people there. Best, HW 6/29/76