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Dear Bob:

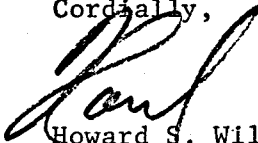
Shortly after talking with you today, I found on the wire a story out of Memphis saying that Judge Battle had turned down a closed circuit system yesterday after conferring with Sheriff Morris.

I just called Sheriff Morris, who confirmed the story, and I guess that will be the end of the idea. However, I'm glad to have contacted you, and I told the Sheriff I had called you so that our Committee is working directly with someone who will be involved there, from the media.

I told you I had written a Mr. Yellin at Memphis, and acting upon later information wrote him again this week to find out what he is doing. I did keep a copy of my letter to Yellin, after all, and it is enclosed, along with a file of some of the material we gave to Judge Walker. I am sending a complete file of this material to Sheriff Morris, also. Attached here is Part II of a report our Committee submitted to Judge Walker on October 1. Part I I do not have, but it was a thick file of memos and reports which are summarized generally in Part II.

I intend to send Sheriff Morris our own final thoughts on this, in case Judge Battle decides to re-examine the situation in a few weeks, after we have gathered more experience here. I will send you copies of the same material.

Cordially,



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cc to Morris —