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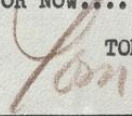
Dear Arthur,

I had the pleasure of meeting Laud Humphreys yesterday. He came over to my place for lunch. We spent about 4½ hours together. I brought him up to date on the Committee, our August meeting, and the possible funding. He was very pleased and hoped that he could be of some assistance. He looked forward to working more closely with other members of the Committee in the future. He said that he was going to call Walter within the next week. I guess that Laud feels that L.A. would be an excellent place for our headquarters and will probably explain his reasons to Walter when he talks to him this week.

Walter called me this morning. He informed me of the status of things and of the upcoming meeting on March 16. He told me of the possible funding from the Adolph Foundation in southern Cal. Things sound very promising. I told Walter a bit about Stewart Mott. I heard from Todd (the friend with whom I stayed in Detroit last November) about Mott. I guess that Mott lived in Flint, Michigan. After his father died he moved to New York City. I guess that he is a multi-millionaire and is reported to be gay. Todd says that he has made many donations to various liberal causes lately. Maybe you can contact him and get him interested in funding the Committee. I have enclosed a picture of him from the newspaper.

Todd had also read in the latest issue of Ciao (pernounced -chow) about the National Gay Law Conference. It seems that Bob Brosius has arranged some publicity in that magazine and has invited interested lawyers and law students to write him for further information. I wonder what's up??

I explained to Walter the possible methods of getting the A.B.A. to take a favorable position on the issue of admissions to the bar and sexual orientation. He seemed favorably disposed to the ideas. This is what I suggest. I will write a proposed resolution. I will send a copy to you, Walter and Craig. You make whatever additions, deletions, or corrections that you wish and send it back to me. I will re-write it and send you all a copy of the second draft. We will have to work quickly though because I need to introduce the resolution March 19 at the Annual meeting of the 9th Circuit of the Law Student Division of the A.B.A. If the 9th Circuit adopts it (and they will) the chances of getting the entire Law Student Division to adopt it in August are greatly increased. It can then be introduced for approval at the August meeting in D.C. We can take the same resolution and distribute it to a number of law schools across the country (via Committee members) and get additional support for the upcoming Association of American Law Schools meeting in December. Arthur, can you meet with Morey Rosenberg, Chairman of the A.A.L.S. (he is at Columbia) in the near future to find out the best method of approaching that body? My personal feeling about the resolution is to keep it as simple as possible. Craig and I had discussed the possibility of including "sodomy reform" and "admissions to the bar and sexual orientation". However, I now feel that it would be best to stick just with "admissions to the bar" and not to cloud the issue with Private consensual sexual behavior. If the A.B.A. does its thing in August, then that should be sufficient on that particular issue. What do you think? I will try to send the first draft of the resolution in a few days. BYE FOR NOW.....


TOM COLEMAN