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Dear Bob:

The Rockefeller Foundation and I owe you a great debt for an idea and for the generosity of spirit which enabled us to work it out in our own way. I refer, of course, to the studies of national security and civil liberties under the direction of Bob Cushman of Cornell.

You were the one who originated this whole idea. Without your initiative, I doubt whether the studies would have been made. Before writing to you, I had hoped that I would be able to report that all the studies had been completed, but it appears that Bob Cushman's summary volume has been somewhat delayed. Since I reach retirement age on June 30th (de facto on May 31st), along with my very deep gratitude, I am sending you a report now on the results achieved. A list of the published volumes is attached.

I think these studies represent a major achievement and an especial contribution to issues that are central in the world of today. It was my hope in presenting the original recommendation to the Board that these studies might point the way to methods whereby the needs of national security and our long-standing traditions of civil and intellectual liberty might both be served. I think they have done this. At any rate, I thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosure

P.S. I am asking our Purchasing Department to purchase and send you a copy of each of these volumes.

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SECURITY, LOYALTY AND SCIENCE - Walter Gellhorn
Cornell University Press, 1950 - \$3.00

THE TENNEY COMMITTEE - Edward L. Barrett, Jr.
Cornell University Press, 1951 - \$5.00

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON - Vern Countryman
Cornell University Press, 1951 - \$5.00

LOYALTY AND LEGISLATIVE ACTION - Lawrence H. Chamberlain
Cornell University Press, 1951 - \$4.00

THE STATES AND SUBVERSION - Edited by Walter Gellhorn
Cornell University Press, 1952 - \$5.00

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES, 1945-1950 - Robert K. Carr
Cornell University Press, 1952 - \$6.50

THE FEDERAL LOYALTY-SECURITY PROGRAM - Eleanor Bontecou
Cornell University Press, 1953 - \$5.00

(A summary volume by Robert E. Cushman will complete this list, but it will probably not be ready for about a year.)

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