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Subject: Lardner's article in today's post.

Lardner had an article in today's Post on LMH's distribution of a digitized version of the Z-film. I am faxing a copy to your chambers. There are two items that you should particularly note. First, he quoted me (inaccurately), and second, he says that the Z's release "upstaged" the government. Lardner quotes me as saying that the Board's action pertained only to physical possession of the original. I spoke to Lardner twice about this issue. During the first conversation, I said that the Board's resolution spoke for itself but that the Board's principal interest was the original film (which was my understanding at the time.) I reported on that conversation to the Board immediately after speaking with Lardner. After you said that the copyright was very much a live issue, I called Lardner back and expressly and explicitly stated that the copyright was very much in play. I had been concerned that Lardner had sent off his final before receiving my second "clarifying" call to him -- and I was relieved to see that his article did not appear in the paper the following day. But I was disappointed that he quoted me the way he did. The question is what -- if anything -- should be done about my quotation. I assume that for 99.9 % of the Post's readers my comment doesn't matter. Therefore a letter to the editor would be quite beside the point. My concern is whether there might be a problem vis-a-vis DOJ or the Zapruders -- or that Lardner might repeat it again. My presumption is that I should probably do nothing, but I could send a letter (or call) DOJ and/or Jamie Silverberg. I will plan not to respond unless you think I should do something.

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