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Dear Dr. Peeples,

With many misgivings, I am entrusting the original Maner manuscript to the not always tender mercies of our postal service, and per your suggestion I'm insuring it, though if it were lost I'm sure I could never replace or reassemble the data it contains.

Please look this over at your leisure, and discuss it with any members of the tribe you feel would have the most interest and influence with the family association. Any editing, renumbering of the pages, re-indexing, or rearrangement of the material for publication that you and the association may feel is desirable will be acceptable to me. For example, I am sure the printers would have to remake the family chart in the preface, and doubtless some of the photostats and other reproduced material might need copying or transposition. Incidentally, this reproduced material is not covered in the index, since my two carbon copies of the typed original do not include these, so if it is desired to reference the names on this material, the index would have to be revised to allow this inclusion.

Whether the manuscript is published in hardback or paperback is not important to me, since my main objective is that as many descendants as possible have the information available to them. I would like to ask, though, that the manuscript be ultimately returned to me in as nearly the same condition as possible as you receive it.

Regarding OFC, I will pass the word to some cousins in Florida, and I hope one or two of them may be interested.

I shall be looking forward to hearing from you as soon as possible to let me know that the manuscript has been safely received, and as soon thereafter as you have any word on what interest the association may or may not have in its publication, and what if any procedure is planned.

Please give my kindest regards to the members of the family at the association meeting on the 20th, and my regrets that I could not be there personally.

With my very best wishes,

Sincerely,

John L. Stone

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14 August 1975

Dear Dr. Peeples,

Since I have had no word from you since June 18th, when you acknowledged the safe receipt of my Maner Family manuscript, and since the family association meeting was on June 20th and 21st, I am very much interested in knowing whether the association has any interest in publishing the manuscript.

Would you therefore please let me know as soon as possible what their decision has been.

If unfavorable, would you please return the manuscript to me. One word of caution on this: Several years ago I loaned a typed copy of a similar manuscript on the Howell family to a distant cousin, who returned it to me loose in a brown envelope. The result was that the entire manuscript was lost in the mail except for the cover page and a few pages of index. Since this is my original copy, please pack and wrap it carefully before shipping, for the mails these days are simply atrocious, as you doubtless know.

I will be looking forward to your early reply.

Sincerely,



John L. Stone

P. S. Regarding the St. Peter's Parish land transactions, I truly wish I could be more helpful. Since this would involve search of the County and other records, this could be a rather drawn out procedure, as I found out with the Maner data.

JLS