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Dear Dal,

Tied up the entire afternoon ~~in~~ in the courthouse, this is a rushed answer to your April 3.

By reputation Jim Marrs is a fine fellow. He knows nothing at all about the JFK assassination. His book is on the theories and sadly he cannot get them straight. I've copied two pages and with the account of a few items I think you can have some real fun if you are questioned about not knowing anything about that CD Rom I do not and I do not want to.

Penn Jones started a mythology he called the mysterious ^{deaths} ~~deaths~~. ^{no mysteries} Marrs took that, enlarged on it enormously (to include each and every heart attack as suspicious), and call it the Convenient Deaths. I do not recall a single ~~one~~ one that was sinister in any way. And my did Marrs mix them all up.

Take Philip Geraci. Of him he says, "Friend of Perry Russo, told of Oswald/Shaw ~~conversations~~ conversation." Cause of death, "Electrocution."

Well there were three Philip Geracis. The one Marrs apparently had in mind was III. He was not a friend of Perry Russo and he told nothing at all about any Oswald/Shaw conversation. There Marrs may have had in mind a convicted felon looking for a favor. ^(Nick name "John the Baptist") He made up a story of seeing Shaw give Oswald money at the "New Orleans lakefront. Now the Philip Geraci who died was the father, II. (I has no relevance.) The father was a professional electrician at a defense plant. He also did some moonlighting. One a private job he shocked himself and the shock killed him. His son was a Commission witness. ^(See p. 2) When the boy was in Vietnam I interviewed both parents. When the father died and the kid came back I interviewed him and his mother together in the home of their lawyer. I asked for the lawyer to be present to look out for the kid's interest if a matter not relevant in this. I have those interviews on tape. If Marrs had known anything at all about the assassination he could have gotten some interesting information from the kid. But Marrs mixed both up and the father's death was not mysterious.

On the previous page Marrs is right in saying that William Whaley is the car driver who reported ^{he} drove Oswald to Oak Cliff. His explanation is "Motor Collision (the only Dallas cab driver to die on duty)" He omitted one word from what Penn published. Penn had it ^{on} "active duty." Penn also noted in 37 years. Not forever.

Marrs does not say a word about that collision. If he knew. Whaley was killed in a headon collision by an 82 year old man driving the wrong way on a divided highway. So you can ask your questioner if he ever heard of the CIA employing 82 year-old kamikazis with the ESP that would tell him the moment when Whaley ^{alone} would be coming down the ~~wrong~~ lane so he could be there to zap him headon. Whaley and no one else, natch!

If that CD Rom even uses "arrs it is not to be trusted. I suspect it is a pot boiler to excite the uninformed and make money. *Very bad judgment on sources, if not also ignorance*

They probably have versions of such things as Zapryder but I'd not be willing to trust that or anything like it they make any use of Maras at all.

This represents one of the great problems of people have in not being misled- they have no way of knowing. But there are all those people who sense a quick buck and do not care how they get it and there are the harrses who, while well intended, know nothing of the fact and can't keep the myths straight. So there are all these means of confusing and misleading the people. *who begin already confused by bad books.*

Even by those who have no such intention, like "arrs.

and save your audience well. I think you can have a little fun with this and with that put it in perspective *and sense*

So hope that ^{you} get such a question and then explain why you do not intend to get that CD Rom.

"y sail, by the way, reflects an increasing popular awareness of this. People go out of their way to criticize theorizing and to thank and praise me for never doing it.

I hope this equips you to answer and I hope you agree that it can give a heavy, disturbing and serious presentation a moment of lightness that will also be illuminating. Save to those who prefer the fictions and the myths.

4/12-Do not be concerned about the courthouse time.

Best, Harold

We were getting new wills registered. When Bill Heichter noted a few things omitted by Hood's lawyer years ago he took care of including them.

From p. 2: the Ceraci boy was one of those in Bringuier's store when Oswald was there. No time for details now but I've been strongly critical of the records review board to it, not publicly. I can make a whitewashing case now and some of the members have disclosed prejudice and frightening ignorance. At best they bumbled and have taken the wrong approach. Just sent another 12 pages for the record they are required to make public when they end. FYI, all those disclosed CIA records were disclosed before the board existed in order to avoid having to index them. Or to make them much less accessible. What the board has not done and more, what I put it in a position to do, troubles me deeply. ^{As} does the behavior of its executive director and the arrogant dimwit he has answering letters he should answer. As I've made clear to him and to others. I expect no answers, especially not from the ex. dir. Marwell. I'm sure the wily ones in the executive agencies are using them to get around the requirement to disclose to the degree possible. Like the nuts it has given public attention the board seems hung up ^{theories and} on the non-existing smoking gun while ignoring the acts of the agencies, esp. against truth emerging. It did not respond to my giving it a prima facie case of the CIA interfering with my publication in 3 countries & involving E. Howard Hunt! I did that 11/15/94.