

Dear Dave,

1/23/93

As my enclosed letter to the producer of the Fox TV ~~King~~ show aired last night indicates, my forecast to you last August that I had turned them around from the theoretical nonsense with which they began was accurate. What they aired is I think the best that TV has shown on the King assassination. If you did not see it we'll have a cassette you can have for your students if you'd like. They are to send me one.

Except for Gregory, Lane, Gracie Stephens and Fauntroy all those he filmed are those I urged him to film and they said what I told ~~the~~ him they'd say. The documentation I gave them and even the bathroom bit was my idea, even to the Paris Match picture they used. I don't mind no credit for it and expected none. I do not mind that they used so much less of me than they could have but I do mind that they put wings on the monsters Lane and Fauntroy and, TV being TV, that they used Gracie instead of the more definitive I gave them, Stephens making a negative identification of the Galt picture to bracket with what they did use that I gave them, his extradition affidavit.

While it remains to be seen what impact, if any, it had, I think that quite a large audience saw it and now knows more of the truth and more than enough not to believe the official account of the crime.

I did tell them that Ray being under contract to British TV/HBO not to appear they could get enough of him already on film and they did. Same re Foreman.

I do not know how they'll react to my letter but I hope that they'll think about it and realize they could have avoided the legitimate criticisms that can be made and have it in mind for the future if the reaction is such Fox is tempted to do more. So they then can do better.

Fox must have liked what Phil got following my suggestions because they extended the agreed-to half hour to a full hour. In this area it was highlighted in all the TV guides, including TV Guide, with it carried in Baltimore and Washington and in West Virginia for those in Maryland, Virginia and West Virginia and perhaps Pennsylvania who cannot get DC and Baltimore stations. My sister in Wilmington saw it. She seemed to indicate what I doubt, that it was on CNN. I think she was just confused when she phoned me at the beginning of the show. That means airing for the Philadelphia area, that station covering most of Delaware, New Jersey and a large part of Penna.

It was worth the time it took for me. They came close enough to keeping their word.

I'm still satisfied that I did the right thing in refusing to be hired by the brits and in refusing to appear on their coming The Trial of James Earl Ray.

Best,