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Dear Sylvia,

The indexes you ordered were mailed yesterday. (Fourth class, special handling, insured # 604759) I hope you find them useful.

Thank you for sending me your letter to Bud F. I myself accepted membership, indicating that I was not endorsing anyone else's work. In light of your widespread and deserved reputation, and the likelihood that your membership would be ~~taken~~ taken as an endorsement of Garrison, I think that you took a proper position. I must admit that my position on Garrison, which has been and is "wait and see," is becoming more and more uncomfortable. I expect that he is taking information from critics and expanding and distorting it, perhaps unintentionally. I am quite reluctant to ascribe evil motives to anyone, from Wesley Liebeler to Garrison, and especially our fellow critics. However, some of the things Garrison has done are indefensible - the matter of the Fort Worth TV station number in Ruby's and Oswald's notebooks sticks in my mind. I strongly feel that if Garrison brings up the Warren Report in court, both sides (and the press) must have access to those of us who have a relatively good knowledge of what is in the Report and in the Archives. (Incidentally, I have had no direct contact with Garrison's office - i.e. Tom B. - for several months.)

I have been doing quite a bit of work recently with Archives documents, along with a chess-playing friend in S.F. ~~who~~ who has a chess player's memory. We have accumulated several hundred pages of documents recently; when I get around to making a list of them I will send you a copy. We work mostly on interesting odds and ends - evidence that Ruby was contacted 8 times in 1959 by the FBI for information (but was never paid and was never an ~~informant~~ informant !); hard evidence of the removal of a paragraph from CE 1536, either by the Commission or the FBI; and the like. Many documents which you mentioned in your book as having been omitted from the 26 volumes can be found now. We recently got the Gemberling affidavit on the handling of Oswald's notebook (Accessories, p. 211). It is implausible, internally contradictory, and generally phony as a \$ 3 bill. The enclosed cover letter shows how much Hoover was squirming.

Filed in "Arden's Docs"

Sincerely yours,

Paul

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