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Dear Sylvia,

Excuse me for not replying sooner to your letters. I have been on vacation and trying to catch up with my physics work.

The material from your forensic pathologist has been sent out, as requested. I expect you saw Cook's letter in the current Nation; I am enclosing a copy of a letter I sent him, which may be of some interest.

Thanks for giving me the references to the Observer and New Statesman articles, which I had not seen. They are both quite impressive. The day I got your letter, the S.F. Chronicle reprinted the Observer piece essentially in full, starting on page 1. The newsstand edition had the headline "Assassination Dispute" ($\frac{1}{2}$ -inch letter) and THE KENNEDY X-RAYS (full 8-column head). This space is usually taken up by GIANTS WIN or SEX AT BERKELEY, so a lot of people saw the article. (I sent Vince a copy.)

I expect you noted the goodies in the Sept. 1 NYTimes. Apparently the USSR is pushing Joesten. There might be something behind Shirley Martin's story.

Mark Lane got a very good reception on radio & TV out here, and good reviews in the Chronicle (as well as National Review!). Several local sleuths, myself included, got to talk with him last Sunday. His book was 2nd on the Bay Area non-fiction best-seller list this last week.

Being so far from the Archives, I don't see much I can do in the way of "investigation." If there is any busywork I could do for you--checking citations, etc.-- please fell free to ask.

Regarding the letter from L.H. in the Militant: someone who should know has advised me that the Militant doesn't keep letters, and he has no personal recollection of this one.

Sincerely,

Paul

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