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I had not seen the Wechat article. This is a good point. It has been largely explanatory

If US News has any decency they will print this article in full, but I doubt this kind of response from them! I got a brief cold little note thanking me for my "interest" and no comment beyond this. They don't carry Letters in their publication so I guess this is as good an out as any. Nevertheless, your article should really hit Specter between the eyes. I hope it hurts. I was so furious with him after reading US News I could hardly breathe. I'm glad you tackled his ridiculous comments on the bullets. I can hardly believe he is as ignorant as he pretends. Also appreciated your rebuttal on Lee's "rapid exit". Besides, has it never occurred to them that Lee had been CLEARED, not only by a policeman, but also by his direct superior at the TSBDB (Truly)? If anyone had a "right" to leave the building, he did. Particularly after hearing (as I think he did) Shelley's aside that "no further work could be done" that day due to police confusion, etc. (Your comment that the SSman was not such, but actually a reporter--is this true? Did I miss this somewhere? I remember Lee claimed (according to listeners) that the SSman showed him (Lee) his "book". Has it been established this was a reporter?

The Lovelady shirt analysis (rather the absence of same) was an excellent point. But the whole business about Lee and the handful of ammunition is the most telling. Really, the Commission should have its nose rubbed over and over in this! I surely

from anyone as to why SS did not search stretchers

hope you sent the letter to Specter registered, so that he (or at least his secretary) had to sign for it. He may be too big a public official now to have to react to this ~~xx~~ postal requirement.

Did you read Connally's remark that he did not "disagree widely" with the WR? This is as good a way to put his philosophy as any. I have "no argument" with the Commission, he said. Of course not. But being too cowardly to argue hardly precludes personal disagreement.

I bought the cheapest 2 door Rambler American I could. It doesn't even have an inside light. But at least I don't feel like a millionaire! Now I need a second-hand Volkswagon, since Vickie is going to work and will take the Rambler. There is no bus service where we are and Oklahoma really sprawls everywhere. I wonder sometimes if I could get used to the East where everything is the opposite to wide open spaces. Well, we lived in Honolulu for 15 years and you can't get crammed together anywhere as much as you can on an island.

Felt such grief for the young wife from the African Mission. I think I will send a word to her husband. Should he have seen it coming? Men are such dolts about the loneliness a woman can feel. Nevertheless his grief is terrible now. Poor little babies.

I understand Mark Lane has sued Liebler. I hope he knows what he is doing.

LBJ is making a Pacific ass of himself this fortnight. How boring he is. How ugly. Did you see the four at Dulles/(Humphrey, Mrs. H., Bird and LBJ)? They all looked positively funereal.

Why do people have to look like this? To show solemnity? But Kennedy always grinned--and Jackie smiled that Mona Lisa smile. Now everything is eternally grim. Much love, S.