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Dear Sylvia,

Stopped reading. They've killed the President by Anson.
after 31 pages.

Cynical journalistic irresponsibility.

p 24 Connally turns left first then right.

p 26 Kennedy's head is priced forward by the impact of a bullet, then "pledge-hammer" driven "backward" in his "body" by the same bullet "into his wife's arms." Apparently he was sitting on her lap. But in that case how did he escape the magic bullet which entered his back, etc.?

p 26 "The entire left portion of Kennedy's "skull was missing." No wonder Wecht has trouble finding evidence of the impact of a shot from the right front.

p 31 Footnotes 95+96 refer to CD 354

CD 354 is described in Inventory of the Records of the President's Commission on the Assass. of Pres. Kennedy as Com. Exhibit 2076. You'll find it in Vol XXIV, pp 510-512. Sent Service report of 2/20/64 of interview with Jack Ruby on 1/24/63 at Dallas. No harm

all about sealing the Deposition, which, by the way, if I remember correctly, was not sealed "quidam" as Anson says although "quidam" is an ambiguous subjective description, not a precise or accurate statement of fact.

Admitted other errors demonstrating, in sum, a typical journalistic cavalier attitude toward fact.

His acknowledgement of your "generous assistance" is regrettable. But, of course, you couldn't prevent it, even if you had not seen and spoken with him. He read *Accessories* but was not inspired to follow your conscientious pains to be accurate.

I made an effort to read *Post Mortem* but had to give it up. Perhaps you can indicate which chapters I should force myself to read. But be merciful.

I wrote to the Registrar at Garland Texas, which is in Dallas Co. 14 m. ne. of Dallas, asking if I can purchase a copy of Ward's R death certificate.

Apart from that and what it yields I want
to have no more to do with this damned evidence.

I'm waiting for delivery of *The Southern Question*, a
very recent book expounding the shift of the
center of economic gravity from the northeast
to the "southern rim". I hope to find in it
the data to flesh out my thesis idea that the
K assass. marked a shift in political power
from "ne"-capital to the southern-rim
"military industrial complex". I believe this
is the key to the post-assass. evolution of Amer.
gov't policy, including the convulsive struggles
of the Johnson, Nixon, and Ford administrations.

I believe that unless one understands the K
assass. in this light, not only is the assass. just
incomprehensible but the entire subsequent course
of Amer. history likewise.

After digesting *Southern Question* I hope to
write a piece on the three assassinations
of Henry IV of France, Ab Lincoln, and John
Kennedy, putting them in historical background
and spend the little time left over on

other problems.

The Archives advises they do not have a film editing table, but have given permission to bring one in and see the 2 film on it. With such a table, which is equipped with two knobs, one can move the film across a light underneath as rapidly or slowly, as one wishes and can move it either forward or backward.

Suppose, in the spring, after we get back, and you're up to it, we go to Washington rent such a table and study the film away.

Thomas