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Dear Harold:

I just received your June 16 and 18 today. Thanks. Sorry to hear that Case Open has upset Random House! I don't know which is worse, if RH knew Posner was a fraud or if he was notthought to be one. I talked to the book review editor at the Courier last week, Keith Runyon. After reminding him we were law school classmates, he told me that he had 70 reviews set to go, but he could not tell me when Selections' review would be run, but it would be eventually. I told him about Case Open, and he said he had heard of it. So we shall see.

I enclose some interesting articles, especially the one by Galbraith.

It is about 100% here. Or whatever the degree sign is.

The O.J.Simpson story is an amazing one. Whatever the facts, it is unreal how the police and prosecution leak stories. Reminds me of J. Edgar Hoover.

One story that is wild is the recent Mexican assassination. As I understand, the official story is that there is no conspiracy, but they still have 4 people under arrest. In addition, the commission that was to investigate the murder has resigned for interference with their work. Pretty interesting. It appears to me that whenever you have a political murder, things always go weird. Unless you have a John Hinkley, and even then you can have a bizarre situation like the Sirhan situation.

I wanted to discuss the Frank Olsen situation. I don't think the exhumation will show much. If he were pushed, how would that show up? LSD would not show up even if he were still high on it when he died, too small to show up in any test. I believe there were two problems with the CIA tests. First, it is despicable to test people without their permission. The second is that with LSD, they gave the victims such massive overdoses. They often gave 10,000 times a dose that would put one out of his mind. While college size doses do not cause any permanent brain damage, God only knows what these super large doses would do. The fact is, without warning, these poor people no doubt thought they had lost their mind, even a week later. If they did not know they were being tested, I am sure they were scared to death. Literally. The bad thing is, the CIA knew extremely small doses would whack one out, but they gave them anyway the massive doses. Depression and feelings of worthlessness, not to mention the fact that the world looks different after a psychedelic experience, would be too much for anyone who wasn't prepared for it. Olsen no doubt thought he had snapped. Actually, it was the one who came up with the idea of dosing Olsen who is nuts. A tragic case.

I saw a news story on TV recently that said the government spent <u>16</u>billion dollars a year to guard top secret and other documents that have no reason to be so classified. Stuff like 1958 crop reports. Typical. Must protect the American public from the truth at all costs.

Got to go to the state bar assoc. meetings later this week. Talk to you soon. Say HI to Lil.

Sincerely

PS Your Ollie North stories remind me to tell you of my political philosophy. I have given up voting for the best or most honest politician, so I just vote for the most entertaining. By that standard, there is no doubt that Ollie North would get my vote? Is there any doubt that Ollie would be the most entertaining Senator since Bob Packwood? Reminds me of all the big business types from Caterpillar and others that thought Reagan would save the country, then two years later we were all ready to go jump off the bridge when the economy went to hell. And even then, business people still blamed all on the Democrats! Even a 40% drop in business wasn't enough to convert the diehard Republicans into Democrats. It amazes me that business people blame all the evils of bad economic policy on welfare mothers. Never on the pinhead politicians who try to balance the budget by doubling the military.