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Dear Harold:

Someday when I am found dead it will be from reading a right wing editorial in the Wall Street Journal. I know it will give me a heart attack!

In the JFK case, we had the cases of mysterious deaths which turned out not to be anything but a myth. Now we see the same thing in the Clinton attacks. While this particular article is somewhat balanced, Jerry Falwell and the Republicans have been trying to claim that somehow Clinton had a bunch of people bumped off so he could run for President. It seems if Clinton was so cutthroat, Gennifer Flowers would have been the first to go.

I have never seen anything like the Republicans and their attacks on Clinton. Reminds me of the story that LBJ supposedly was involved in when he ran in Texas, he accused his opponent of having carnal knowledge with the pigs on his pig farm. LBJ's staff said they knew it wasn't true, but LBJ said, "That's okay, let's see the Son of a bitch deny it!" Don't know if that is a true story, but it is a good one.

I haven't written you recently because I have been busy. My 94 year old grandmother died last month, after being sick for several months. Betsy has been out of town and I have gotten behind. Don't know if gotten is a word, but it is here in Kentucky.

Betsy got bumped off a flight and got some free tickets to anywhere Southwest flies. I want to get up there this year, but don't know if we can. I will try to get your will up there this week, have been slow without Betsy on the computer. I was playing with Compuserve the other day, my recommendation on the bulletin board to read Selections was there but my one on Case Open had been removed, Why, who knows? We may not have put it on there correctly. There were a couple of spirited discussions, one with Gary Aguilar, and another with Jean Davison, I think you have mentioned both or at least Gary. But Compuserve is a good way to waste time.

I enclose a June 4, 1979 letter from Sen. Cooper to David Belin. I am sure that I have given it to you and Dave Wrone, but I have never heard either of you comment on it. It has I think two interesting things. Actually three.

1. Sen. Cooper comments on the grassy knoll gunman, or his belief in the lack thereof.
2. The Senator's comment ~~that~~ says one should read the Summary of the Warren Report. It also contains a derogatory comment on the media.

3. As comment on "a woman named Odio" who he claims said saw a gunman on the grassy knoll. It appears to me the Senator is confused about who Odio is.

This is at least the second time I have found the Senator saying anything about how we should read the Summary. In my opinion, Sen. Cooper was not aware of the many contradictions between the Summary and the Exhibits and Hearings. I am sure he was aware of some of them, but as you know the Summary is somewhat convincing, if you are unaware of the contradictions.

Not earthshattering, but interesting.

My thoughts on the problems with getting Never Again! published are these. I guess it is good that Richard Gallen and Carroll-Graf published two books in one year for you, but as I think you suspected this is probably going to delay your new book. That is too bad, and I think that the letter Dave Wrone sent him is good. I guess that is just the way the business works. They are getting some distribution with them, I saw last week Case Open in Waldenbooks, a national chain with stores in Louisville.

So I know it is damn disappointing, but maybe the best thing is to be sure Never Again is not butchered like Case Open. Why in God's name they did not do a little better job with that is a mystery to me. I have not seen one word in US NEWS yet.

I don't know how much attention the WC spent on the Altgen's picture and the Willis pictures. Actually, I do know they rushed through them, but I don't know how much Sen. Cooper was aware of them.

Harry Merritt, who is working on the biography of Sen. Cooper, said he does not expect publication until the fall of 1995. I had sent him a copy of a review of a book on Frank Church. Of the Cooper-Church amendment.

I speculate, but it seems to me that Sen. Cooper had to reread the Summary to convince himself that the Warren Report is correct. When his papers were donated to UK, the 26 volumes were gone. I wonder who has them? Bill Cooper UK archivist made me promise to give my set to UK special collections when I die! Hopefully not in the near future.

Glad the ribbons are working out. Say HI to Lil and stay near the air conditioner.

One more thought. Dave Wrone told me that he believes that there are only 50 people in the country who have a firm grasp of the facts of the JFK case. So am I number 50 or 51? I joined AARC recently. Richard Heroldt had Jim Lesar send me an application.

