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Dear Maggie,

Sylvia has sent me a typed copy of a LATimes story about which Ray had told her. Perhaps you sent her the copy. I would like very much to get this LATimes story, the AP story from which it comes, and whatever is available of the record and decision of the court martial. It fits very well with what I explain for the third spinoff from WHITWASH III, the incomplete appendix of which is greater than book length. I am so overloaded I just cannot even try. If you have the clippings, may I please have a copy? Has any of you checked into this court martial, particularly the testimony of Leland James, retired LA Police crime-lab head? Perhaps the wife has a copy.

Having heard nothing from Marallax about the New Orleans book, I've at least tentatively laid other work aside and begun to paste up the appendix, with all the New Orleans reports I have. That will take a week of the longest, most interrupted days for just the pasting.

I'm not making much sense. The Marine is Lance Corporal Douglas R. Collard, Burbank, charge, murder in Vietnam, evidence a bullet with no human traces and apparently close to perfect shape. Grant B. Cooper, LA, civilian defense counsel. Wife: Cindy.

For the first time in a long time my back is bothering me a little today. Not bad, but I've been spoiled by not having had an attack in several years. It just annoys me.

Do you suppose Steve or anyone on the OGI could try and get these things?

We've taken possession of the house. Got electricity this a.m., have water running, getting (excessively high) estimates on what we want to do. Now that I've borrowed the balance of the "advance" Dell owed me, they've paid it and it is on its way. I think I'll get a photocopy machine that can take the page of a book. It will be helpful and Xeroxing is 35 miles away. I've been thinking of a 3M machine that costs about \$350.00. If any of you have had any experience with this sort of thing I'd appreciate advice. I can use the old machine for rough work but with a decent machine the product can be suitable for reproduction. Meaning also by others, if any should want what I have.

It took until today to get a copy of the CBS transcript. I've had to try several sources. If I get a duplicate and anyone of you wants it, let me know. I've not gotten the NBC one yet, although it has been promised.

I found Lillian's address and sent her a copy of PW. If there is anyone I've forgotten, please let me know. Also if any of you need any. The shortage should end this week if the bindery has repaired its machines. And with the book out, my wife is trying to catch up on her book work. She says you haven't cashed the check I sent you for the pretty scarf you got for me for her. Please do, and thanks, much, for your trouble.

I'm being evicted for a cleanup. Best to you all.