

Dear Dick and David,

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I'm enclosing clippings from today's Post and part of one from yesterday's to indicate some of the reasons I believe there is a need and a market for a Thomas book.

While I presume the idea, in general, has occurred to others I've not seen or heard any mention of any such book.

I enclose the letter about Sen. Danforth to give you an idea of how "good" the "good" guys were.

While literally it is true that Specter was asked to do the questioning, I'm sure, that does not mean that he had to do what he did do. I've known him to be completely without scruple. I think he was looking for political support in his coming campaign from both Bush and the right extreme. Especially in the larger cities in Penna. the women will really go after him politically and that what he did will be a major issue in the campaigns, primary and if he wins that, the general election. Which could be a good market for a book.

He began as a liberal, a member of Americans for Democratic Action. When his superior on the Warren Commission, Francis Adams, quit very rapidly and very quietly, Specter took over that area of the work, the most dishonest of all. He is quite vulnerable on this. He handled the autopsy and related areas with despicable dishonesty.

After his Commission work about which he could boast he switched and became a Republican and ran against the DA who had appointed him an assistant and given him his start. He won. Later he ran for the Senate. When he was DA he refused several requests to confront me. When he was again exploiting his Commission career <sup>(Senate Campaign)</sup> I wrote him a certified letter to his home. He refused to accept ~~it~~ it several times. I have it as returned, unopened.

10/21. I suppose this got covered up on my desk and that I mailed those clippings Friday. Sorry. On further thought I believe more strongly that there is a fine book here in what is public domain only, even if there is nothing new.

I've finished the Malcolm book. It is good! I hope it gets some promotion and ads. I've told Wrono at Wisconsin (Stevens "pint) and McNight at Hood about it. If there is any promotional material, please send it to Dr. Gerald Ginocchio, Dept. Sociology, Wofford College, Spartanburg, S.C. 29303. He is introducing black studies there. He is a friend. Tell him I suggested it and I'll also write him soon.

Best,

Harold