

Gemstone, a skeleton key to The Gemstone File

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Dear Henry,

I've seen some extraordinarily crazy stuff on the political assassinations but nothing more insane than "A Skeleton Key to the Gemstone File" with your letter of 2/24.

Are you sure that Flynt gave you this? Can he be that far gone? If it is not asking too much, maybe something got twisted around in the filing.

The young man you referred to is Robert Groden. I am the godfather of his first son. He went ape when Dick Gregory saw the attention-grabbing possibilities of Groden's film work.

Unless Robert has done recent work I can assure you that his earlier work is completely faithful. He did it for me and I inspected it at each step. Now I'm talking about his film work, not his interpretations. They get pretty extreme. The slowing of motion by repeating each frame 10 times was my idea, as was the isolation on JFK to eliminate what distracts the eye.

Robert is a bit put out because I've been critical of his extremes. I haven't heard from him in several years. He intends well, something I can't say for Mark Lane and have no reason to believe about the others.

With Lane as Flynt's "chief investigator" I can't imagine that Gemstone garbage being all Flynt could have given you. Lane is a skilled and experienced plagiarist. What he doesn't steal he invents. The result can be an exciting package. But it is not sick, as "Gemstone" is.

In today's mail there was a CIA delivery of more than 14,000 pages. Now that I have them in court I expect more, not all of it on this subject. (I'm interested in their mind-bending in part because I knew the oldest of the three children of the man they drove to suicide while he was working for them.)

In time I'll have copies of the files of the Dallas field office of the FBI. When they tried to stonewall I filed against them in federal district court in Washington. And in time I'll have to dig a sub-cellar to hold it all.

If you ever need any of it, all is available to you. But the problem is as I told you last June, no charge you can bring. Ample proof of more than one shooter by no calling card.

Beware of the newest disinformation, promotions for and a book titled Legend. Edward J. Epstein wrote it. He probably drove de Mohrenschildt to suicide. He had bribed him in Florida. Between Epstein, Fonzi of the House assassins committee and that incredible Dutchman Oltmans the pressure was too great for the sick man. From the two of four parts of an interview with Epstein that have appeared it seems fairly certain that the present CIA helped him and that he turned them around by later lining up with Angleton and his wing of right extremists who were forced out. Readers Digest, which has CIA ties of the past, put up a half million dollars for the Epstein project. They will be making an enormous effort with his book. Before it appears there will be condensation in the Digest magazine. All this for baseless theorizing!

Thanks and best wishes,

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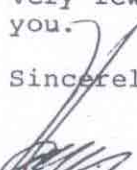
Dear Harold:

I appreciate your letter and it appears as a result of your actions in court and otherwise they are releasing some of the information that apparently they wouldn't have released before.

I visited with Larry Flint at his request and he had three people with him, one young man that appeared to be rather bright said that you are the godfather of one of his children I believe. They did have better pictures I think than any I have seen pointing out rather conclusively that Kennedy at least went backwards when he was hit the last time. I saw nothing else rather new. I believe since we have not indicted everybody in the country, he feels like I am part of the coverup.

I am enclosing a copy of the material he left with me. I really don't know who wrote it, but it sounds awfully wild to me and frankly does not present any evidence and there are very few leads that are promising. It was nice to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,


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