

The Nuts, the potential - Mark Keral

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Several years ago, after one of their then endless stories quoting some shrink about sick people achieving importance if not immortality by killing a prominent person, I wrote and asked Ben Bradlee when he was going to stop advertising for would-be or successful assassins.

He did not respond but since then I have seen no story of this character in the Washington Post.

From time to time I do hear from people who can fit within this description. I do not recall one of ~~lower~~ lower than good intelligence.

This past week I received a call from one identifying himself as Mark Keral, of Rochester, N.Y. He was in the Frederick area on his way to Washington and could he see me? He is interested in political assassination. I told him how to reach here from where he was. Soon he was here, in a not inexpensive camper.

He was on his way to Washington to offer his services to the new House committee. And his knowledge. On questioning this turned out to be nothing. He had a rather good attaché case with him. He took several sheets from it and gave them to me.

"They" have been after him. They include the Secret Service, which came up to him at Lane's Hartford nuthatch. All of this is vague. He has no names, no motives, no real explanation and no overt act. However, "they" have cost him a number of jobs. Not by any threat or act. Merely because he was having so rough a time he felt he'd best quit. So he quit and "they" cost him his employment.

His two legal-sized sheets are headed "THE ANTI-ASSASSINATION MACHINE" and "ADVOCATION FOR WIDESPREAD GRAND JURY ACTION."

The former is not as simple as A, B, C. It has B1 and B2.

*Teala?* I can, without having read his sheet, recognize an actuality through all of this. It involved an Italian whose name, if I am correct, was Teala, and some heavy vibrations in New York City in the early 1920s.

I've not read the second and will not but my eye was taken by its second sentence: "The anti-assassination machine expands the capability for mass destructions from a select few to practically anyone."

If "practically anyone" now "can tear down an entire city in a matter of minutes" naturally this is the anti-assassination machine.

What turned this one on? The AIB and Lane.

I can only wonder how many others. But he was explicit enough about both of them.