

Dear Jim,

12/13/75

Thanks for the 10/10 info on McDonald. I'll be Brief because I'm going to try to take a nap instead of lunch. I was up working late last night on the Times' finkery and have to do an 11 p.m. radio show tomorrow night. I need more rest than I can get even when I recline early.

Jim, who missed the ad, heard that McDonald does have an angel, supposedly strictly commercial. Forgot the name. Didn't note it near midnight.

If the Post carried the vobHoffman column I missed it.

I have no need for the extra I'll be sending. Not worth reading, tho. Except as a horrible example.

I'd think a full-page Times ad for a paperback is commercially risky.

He has been pushed much. I hear reports from all around the country of his appearances. I'd love one. If it was prominent enough.

I'd like to file a mail fraud charge on it. I bought two copies by mail and the claim would be commercial damage.

Don't know yet if I'll need the CBS tapes. haven't had a chance to tape mine. I think I've got the Enquirer past the PSE stage. They've done and I've heard read to me a responsible piece vs CBS. I'm trying to interest them in a sequel in which what CBS suppressed is presented. Lower-level approval.

I have transcripts of the first two shows.

And I think I may have had a little to do with the coming King one at the press conference. They filmed it all and had David Culhane and a researcher there through all of it.

Hope new Times stuff is comprehensible. Not easy thing to fight beginning with physical tiredness and limitations. The only means I have thus take time. What they now have to worry about is what else I'll get besides what I did and without giving it to me first DJ can be sued and would have trouble.

Not an easy fight but one I'd enjoy if I were really up to it.

DJ seems to be handling as Times exclusive. I've primed Post on it. What they were working on was updating year-old magazine piece.

Thanks and best,

10 December 1975

Dear HaroldZ

The enclosed column by Von Hoffman about the McDonald book is sent just in case the Post didn't use it.

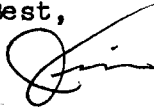
If McDonald has an angel, this must mean Oswald has had his day as the lone nut assassin. As you say, events are moving swiftly.

FYI Zebra II had an ad for the McDonald book, the full back page of the first section of the NY Times for Dec. 4.

At the end of a Dec. 1 memo on this book you note by hand that you have an extra copy, and would we like it? Yes, thanks very much. But if you should need it for any purpose please just say so and we'll pick up a copy when it appears here. As to sending it, no hurry, of course.

Your mailing of Dec. 5 contains a lot of interesting stuff, sounds more hopeful and suggestive of better prospects. Your advice to JER is the best: play it cool, and let them destroy each other.

Best,



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Yes, we are hanging on to the tape of the CBS specials. However, be warned that we edited out the commercials as we taped, and thus a word or two is sometimes missing at the beginning of a non-commercial sequence.