

Dear Bill,

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Not only is our air conditioner working, to take no chances I had an extra check on it Monday because it seemed slightly louder. Last evening's news says that *highs* in Washington this past week equalled or beat all highs for the period three times. We have been staying inside as much as we can. Ed even skips filling the bird feeders up from time to time not to be out in the heat and humidity.

I'll learn a bit more about the yesterday or the day before speech later this morning. Gerry was to have gotten here last evening or night. I left a message for him with Bill if he phoned but I guess he did not. So we await his coming. Dennis and his wife will be here tomorrow. I think they planned to spend as much time as they could in DC at the museums. They'll probably want to spend some time talking about their expansion of their paper into a book. Which I think is a great idea.

I've taken no time for the Okla. case but I'm not surprised that McV got his credit card through Spotlight. All those types have those beliefs.

The FBI has always used the press as you say and that is possible only because the press makes it possible. The usual explanation is that they have a good source or with a leak, if they do not use it the next one will.

But the Weaver case is backfiring on it. I have a bit on it in Waketh, which you may remember I finished a year or so ago. The press could have gone into it then and before then but did not. And Spence got them, Weaver and kid, more than \$3 million on a settlement.

Good that Dick has no fear of going off on his own and doing what he wants to do. It also means the two of you have less to worry about,

The turns in the Simpson case are interesting, are they not?

A year ago I told the local area AP correspondent, not a year, the beginning of the hearings, that I could ad lib report a parallel in the JFK or King cases if told a complaint about the evidence in the Simpson case. That is now even more obvious. But I do not expect the AP to ask me now and there is no point in reminding them.

The right political extreme, from last evening's DC local TV news, has started a campaign to finance Fuhrman's coming defense. They have a name that features law enforcement in it but it is so new it does not even have a phone listing, if it has a phone. It is run by a lawyer who looks like you'd expect one in that role to look, almost like a caricature of that role.

But I think there will be and there will finally surface police files bearing it all out. Probably some are hidden now but that they exist is ~~inex~~ inevitable.

And not about him only.

Best to you both,

Harold