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Dear both,

Thanks for the letter to the Tribune recommending my first book and complaining about Oliver Stone being "lambasted." The author would perhaps find it embarrassing if he knew that in fact I am the one who began the exposure of the fraud and travesty Stone perpetrated in his exploitation and commercialization of the JFK assassination. I believed that the history would carry itself and it certainly did!

If he had not touted it as a factual recording of our history in which he'd tell the people who killed their President, why and how, he would have had every right to say whatever he wanted. But he launched it as completely faithful to fact and it is untained by any fact. Garrison's book is a ghastly dishonesty, his own rewriting of his own history and fiasco.

My purpose was to serve the historical record and I believe I have.

It attracted attention as far away as Germany, whence a reporter along with the U.S. correspondent of all things, of the Penthouse German/Dutch edition came and interviewed me and only today asked for a source on pictures of me!

And of the many who have been here none were more professional and pleasant and the exact opposite of what one would expect from such a publication.

The current issue of the local magazine has a story and I referred P, to it for pix.

It has even come to where I've told Nightline not to bother me any more. That kind of so-called journalism I want nothing more to do with.

For us, with all that is wrong with us, we are fine, too. Glad you both are.

I did not realize until after you left on your visit east that you'd not given me your new address. I hope I have it correctly.

Again thanks and a good year to you all,

Harold

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Dear Izzy,

Paul Hoch write that several days earlier he had a pleasant chat with you. Are you that busy , or do you care so little about old friends? Does one old friend have to tell another what he'd like to know - after more than four decades of separation?

I sent Sam Silver a copy of McGrory's column and he was glad to hear about you. He asked me to fill him in on any news from you. He is in Delray Beach, Fla. (2475 West Atlantic Ave.), this time of the year with the company of Joe Labovsky, who flees Wilmington the first of the year and soaks Florida up for three months.

Wash't your field economics? Doesn't seem to connect with "rehabilitation management." (I have lots of rehabilitation but no management.)

Aside from the usual things I'd like to know, and I'm sure Sam also would, I wonder if you ever got any of the FBI's records on you or have any idea what is in them. I know they have you in what they styled the "Gregory" case, which I take to mean their paranoia about Silvermaster, and I recall some sickening stuff in the papers about Eldon The Elmer Billings. There is a reference to the "Gregory" case in records I've seen.

Misuse and misrepresentation of such raw material is FBI SOP in pretended response to criticism, and because of the inherent blackmail it is effective. Once they learned that most of what their records hold on me is crap they stopped disclosing or made phony claims to exemption under FOIA and the Privacy Act. While I am alive I want to get and address all that stuff so that it cannot be used, meaning misused, to undercut my work, which has stood the test of time. Hence my interest, which also includes their methods.

I'd be quite surprised if they did not do the same with you and your associates with people on the Hill, like Senator Dave Durenberger. Even with the press. That is the way they tell people not to pay any attention to what you say, you are a Red and can't be trusted to tell the truth, etc.

They've been pretty imaginative in their political adventuring. For example, when the rabbi of the Jewish Welfare Board brought his service personnel and families to the farm we had, the FBI told LBJ that the affair was Lil and my celebration of the Russian revolution!

If you've never gotten the records on you, it is easy enough to try, although they will probably stonewall on some of them under a "national security" claim. All you do is write the FBI a letter and swear to it before a notary, their interest in this being the certainty that you are who you say you are. You tell them you want all the records on or about you and make the request under "FOIPA," their combination of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts, as you invoke both. They'll want to know your Social Security number and at least most addresses, also for identification. Their zip is 20535. You may want to duplicate with DJ, zip 20530. If you haven't done this based on my experience you may even enjoy it.

All things considered we are OK. Lil stays busy this time of the year, tax preparer for herself after managing a Block office. As Paul has probably indicated, I have some medical problems. They take time but I manage to keep going. And, in retrospect, I think I've done some good. Hope all is well with you and Eleanor.

Our best,