6/20/72 Larry—Just finished Malcom's Ch 20, Brainwashing. I found it more than interesting and in ways other than the answer to a question I asked you. My immediate response on learning that RFK had been shot and Sirhan arrested was "He was turned on". I had in mind something like but exactlt like The manchurian Candidate. A friend you don't know named Ed carried this further in sending me a since-disappeared novel, The Biliken Courier, where an object is used to induce hypnosis. Anyway, the entire drug bit is foreign to me, the poetntial was unlwmon, all I knew was street talk and I knew little of that, so it is good to be able to read something that seems dependable. This entire chapter is fascinating in terms of the potentials in the RFK case and suspicions I was not then alone in holding. It is fascinating further in Kaiser's feae to carry his thinking further, In the shrink Diamonds fear to carry his experiments further than the imaginative point to which he carried them with Sirhan. I have, by the way, heard fom people who claimed to be Agecny of the use of some of these things with them and allegedly by the agency and its personnaly of alleged personnel. It is possible to wonder whether any of this could have been involved with Bremer, where it is less clear....Shrinkery is not new in intelligence. Remembering back 30 years may not be dependable, but I am pretty sure I recall two such installations we had in OSS, known as "Areas", S and W, if the mind is faithful...Inferentially, this chapter, which is partly conjectural, does answer the question about mescaline by saying that ancient peoples and religions does use drugs to alter the state of mind and to make it more receptive.

Thanks, HE