

Dear Steve:

I can only wonder how it feels to cover the wars unscathed only to get clobbered at a Democratic convention. I tried to phone you after the convention. Getting no answer several times, I presumed your guest had departed and that you had returned to England. My reason for calling was to suggest what you may perhaps find an interesting Sunday feature in a field of your competence, the Chicago police.

You see, they have a long tradition upon which they draw for your benefit. It is not merely Daley, capable though he is, not merely the inspiration of the occasion. It is a long tradition of that particular police department. I was part of a Senate investigation of it 30 years ago. Their bloody capability then was shocking in even an investigation of the most repulsive things in our society.

Remember, this is the police department of the Haymarket riots, from the very early days of the labor movement. John F. Kennedy has as one of his "Profiles In Courage" Governor Peter(?) Altgeld, whose promising career was brought to an end by his efforts to get justice for the victims.

The investigation of which I was part was by a Senate Education and Labor subcommittee. I have all the hearings where I can lay my hands on them. I have the report, but do not recall where. On Memorial Day, 1937, the Chicago police again rioted & shot down I cannot remember how many people in the coldest blood. It was fairly well covered by photographers, for that era, and I saw to it that just about all the pictures were included in the evidence. They are all available from the services. The occasion? Almost more subversive than peace and long hair: a picket line around the South Chicago plant of Republic Steel. This was part of the labor ferment of that that period. The police broke up that line!

This police department will also figure in one of the passages in COUP D'ETAT that I hadn't written when you saw the ms. I am waiting for a last report. They arrested one of the more extreme of the radical right just before the Kennedy assassination as a threat to JFK. It was not until two weeks after the assassination that they let it be known. When I had someone check the file for me, the first time the file was still there. Then, when he had a chance to try and read it, it was gone. This summer.

You will recall the large part of COUP D'ETAT that is on the so-called National States Rights Party. They had a little affair in the charming, peaceful town of Berea, Ky., a college town that is tolerant and helpful to poor kids trying to get a college education. It was this past Sunday. The Negroes lost their cool. One of each side was killed.

Sorry your guest couldn't get here before Chicago. I suppose after that he had no stomach left for the US, if he had time!

I have much more on Oswald as a federal agent, enough, I think, to do a book on it. The essence of the story is misrepresentation and suppression. I have some of what was suppressed and proof of the misrepresentation. For example, it is false to allege, as the government does, that Oswald was known as number 179 (or 182 in a variant). This was allegedly the account number under which he was carried. Some investigation of him as Agent 179 was guaranteed to yield a negative. The number allegedly his was 110669, and that sounds much more like CIA to me. The Commission had an entire executive session on this that, according to the National Archives, does not exist. When I called them on it they changed their story to they do not have it, in itself an astounding thing. Then the Commission had still another executive session on this. That the Archives acknowledges having. Without disclosing its contents, which I have from other sources, they have "withheld" it under, of all things, the "provisions" of the "Freedom of Information" bill! I have just claimed in writing that I know the contents and these contents preclude denial under this bill. I have asked for a copy



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Sorry your son is coming. I got home before his age. I suppose  
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I have had more of Oswald's work. I think I  
of a book on the essence of a story in a newspaper. I have  
I have some of what was read and heard. I have some of  
example, it is a book on the second volume. This was  
as a number of the FBI in a variety of ways. I was  
and

You will recall my references to Dr. Drennan. I have now learned that  
he had good Arab connections. Sirhan, let me remind you, claims to have been an  
Arab patriot. I also have a fascinating tape recording to play you when you have  
time, of a statement by a radical-right, self-annointed "preacher" who set up a  
no-conspiracy case for Sirhan. He mentions all the right-meaning the wrong names,  
like Bradley, McIntyre, etc., and even that of the former owner of the Lincoln-  
Mercury agency in Dallas where "Cassidy" had that famous demonstration, where several  
of those recalling this have had mysterious things befall them, etc.

Have a good trip and, if you are interested, lets get together on your  
return. By the way, I also have a sensational tape recording of the advance pre-