

Dear Scott,

2/4/95

Thanks for your 1/31 and the enclosures. The latter come at a good time. From time to time when my more damaged left leg gives me trouble I have to keep it elevated. So I'll save the enclosures for then.

I know nothing more about Summers statement that a second gun was found that day on the sixth floor. I'd believed it was the misidentification of a Mauser.

Ames must have had something special in mind in saying that tradecraft he was involved in did not hurt national security. Or his own interpretation of where national security lies. He did break up many operations and cost a dozen or so US spies their lives.

As I remember it after all these years my (late) stepbrother told me that one of his patients, another Eastern pilot, brought Ferrie to him with what Jack diagnosed as alpaecia. Jack was treating him successfully when Ferrie decided he knew more than a doctor, started treating himself, and it turned into alopaecia totalis.

My interest in the Simpsob case has been because of all that is wrong that happened and should not have happened, so much like with the ~~assass~~ assassinations. My impression is that Ito has held disproportionately for the prosecution including when as best a non-lawyer can have an opinion, he was wrong. Like on that dream stuff.

Spring visit fine.

I have no knowledge at all about any government filings systems and have not made a study of them. I've learned a little about the FBI from working on its records.

I'm glad you like the Preface to Case Open. My government service had nothing to do with farming. In my farming I turned the clock back, raising poultry the old-fashioned way but with better nutrition and care, evolving a superior product which I delivered personally to our customers.

I begin Inside the JFK Assassination Industry with a rather pedestrian sort-of autobiography in which I go into the learning experiences that are not taught and to the degree I was prepared, prepared me for the work I've done. No copies available and no plans for publication. For the record for history.

In further response to your question about the Summers piece, I do not believe what he writes until I see confirmation. He is skilled at twisting things a bit to make them more exciting and himself more important.

Thanks and best wishes,

1/31/95

Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Enclosed you will find various items of interest. I'm sending various book reviews, news articles and a Vanity Fair article by Tony Summers.

In the Vanity Fair piece Summers talks about a second gun being found on the sixth floor. Can you give me your perspectives on this? In Whitewash you wrote that the Dallas police claimed that they had found a Mauser on the sixth floor. Does this relate to what Summers is talking about?

There was recently an interview of Aldrich Ames on CNN. I will make you a tape of this and send it to you shortly. There is also an additional hour of commentary on this by 4 former directors of the CIA, including a statement by former President Bush. This was aired around the time that Woolsey resigned. This tape will be in my next package to you. Ames states in the interview that the tradecraft that he was involved in did not damage our national security at all. What are your impressions of the Ames case and how if at all has it affected our national security and the way intelligence agencies operate.

You state in Oswald in New Orleans that your stepbrother Jack Kety treated Ferrie for alopecia. Did you ever meet Ferrie? Could you elaborate on this situation for me?

I must tell you that I am constantly reading your preface in Case Open. Besides being some of your best writing, I've found your life story simply amazing. This preface always whets my appetite to learn more about you. Was your government service connected to farming? Would it be possible for you to write me one paragraph describing your life as a farmer in general terms? If not possible I understand.

I had taken your advice in your last letter and decided not to write to Lifton. I had written Josiah Thompson but he hasn't answered me. It is a shame that others do not feel the same obligations to their readers that you do.

Have you been following the Simpson Case? If so, what are your impressions? Do you feel that Judge Ito has been fair in his rulings?

I know that this is a bit premature, but I may be coming to Baltimore in the spring. Would it be possible to visit you and take you to lunch? If so, I'd be delighted.

Andy from Last Hurrah Books has told me that Never Again should be available in April. I was so glad to hear that.

My next package will contain the tape of the Ames Interview.

P.S. Would it be possible for you to recommend any books or literature that describes government filing systems and how they work?

*I've also included a NY Times article on the search for a New*

*Sincerely, archives leader.*

*Scott Wilson*

*Enjoy!*