

Dear Dave, King "Security" records.

2/17/78

Separately I am sending you a package I trust you will even now find incredible.

It is Volume VI only of two fairly large cartons of OPR summaries of FBI records on King.

When I received this and glanced at the titles I thought this one volume might be a good one to spot check. From the title I made two extra copies, one for you and one for Les to read when he is here.

To the best of my knowledge there are no other copies outside government possession, although some of the records were used by the Church committee.

Merely skimming this-- and that is all I did - make it apparent that there is still a very large coverup. And these are merely summaries by those who are among the white-washers. Can you imagine what the documents hold?

I'd prefer that you keep this to yourself for now. If you think perhaps the Chancellor, busy as he is, would like to see it, sure. But I want to attract no attention because they'll get tougher on the withholding and will withhold even more indiscriminately if this gets any attention.

It is a bit ticklish because some of the records have been put aside for 75 years by court order. The FBI I know is quite capable of adding records not within the court's order, an effective way of hiding and denying them.

You may not be familiar with some of the FBI's abbreviations. Fisur is physical surveillance. Misur is microphone surveillance - bugging. Tesur stands for technical surveillance, their special way of not referring to phone taps.

This one volume shows that there were self-serving orders written not to conduct some of these surveillances when they were not meant to be followed and to the Bureau's knowledge were not followed.

The prefabrication of fabrications is, I assure you, a major FBI cottage industry.

There is always something to cover the ass in file, often false.

They don't like my name on OPR, either, so I appear once, as "citizen." For them quite a concession. It is the FOIA request.

I'll be sending these 400 some pages by fourth-class, insured. If I do not make the package early in the morning it won't go out until Tuesday. It also will take longer. Lil is now making the copies I want of some of the pages. But I'm not going to stay up. I've been tired and somewhat swollen all day so bed is best.

Bad day for it, too. We've been having your kind of snow and more is due, perhaps the heaviest of all this winter. I've twice cleared all around the house and turnaround and down to just where the lane begins to slope away. I've been wanting to get past the crest so thawed water can run off. It is all ice, covered with snow, so the going is slow, much slower for me because I can't do much at a time. However, I correlate the added use of the arms with the disappearance of some of the annoying symptoms of some of the circulatory problems.

We are not isolated, however. I've been able to walk out to the road every day save one. Lil has not done it since the first snow. Too unsafe. For two periods of a week each I did not get the car out but friends could get to the end of the lane, so I could do what we had to do. Today the larder was replenished. And the one power outage we stayed warm enough not to have to use any of my reserve of firewood. Or, with the CB for emergencies if the phone lines go down, we're okay.

Our best to you all,