

Dear Dave,

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There is nothing in this morning's mail that requires answer by me so before returning to work thanks much for this morning's call. It is encouraging, ~~meaninful~~ meaningful to know that people respond favorably to responsibility on so controversial a subject and are willing to consider it in terms of what it means about our society and its basic institutions.

I have forgotten some of what I've written you about the full archive. Perhaps this is repetitious.

The overdue and temporarily ended cleaning up of the basement disclosed that I still have some of my UnAmerican files and clippings. How much I do not know. ^{It} includes at least part of if not all of their expenditures - every penny - for the period up to about the end of 1939. Dmytryk did not get all the clippings. Some turned up.

I have located Dmytryk. He claims no recollection. Boy would K love to do an oral history with him! He was the IOs stoolie. I'm sure he knows what agency he gave my files to. This may be one of the reasons for the FBI's exceptional delay in responding to my FOIA/PA request for the files on me.

I'm going to have to knock this off for one of the reasons the cleanup was suspended. We had some warm weather last week. I went out and did and enjoyed some physical work. Before the thrombosis a year ago some heavy windstorms uprooted some trees. I trimmed the branches out with my machete, left the smaller brush to fit pile, initially for animal's dens, then for return to nature, and carried those large enough for the fireplace up to the house and cut them to length. Several days later an ache developed above the right wrist. Today ~~thxk~~ typing has begun to bother it so I'm now using the left hand only.

Jim will be glad to know that you and Elaine had been considering getting a slow cooker. Hope you have as much use and as much satisfaction as we have had.

Best,