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9/11/66

Dear Miss Brunson,

Your letter of 9/7 warrants a longer and better answer than I've time for. I am nearing the completion of the rough draft of a sequel which in its own way goes into some of this. Your reference to the Cuba Missile crisis rather than the Bay of Pigs, the common misreading, fascinates me. I am in accord, as you will eventually see.

I paid almost no attention to the Walker incident for a number of reasons. One is space. Another is that it is peripheral in my approach. Still another is the dubiousness of the available evidence. It is easy to blacken the eye with it, as with the doctored picture of the auto, with the license plate removed, which fits perfectly with what you say. I may in the future do something with this and I'd appreciate your other thoughts on the chance I might, or at least to have on record.

him

You are right about someone getting the jobs at Jagers- Chiles-Stovall but I thing wrong in inferring it was the CIA, for he was too soon fired. One of the Russian community arranged th employment. If the airplane hijacking was really a serious plan, I think you've made sense of it.

About Mem., the wife of a British correspondent told my wife that Mem. says he is CIA.

There is now no doubt in my mind that Oswald was innocent. I also have no doubt of his involvement. But I haven't enough to decide the question I could not in WHITEWASH, whether or not it was knowing. If I had to say, I'd say he didn't know.

Before any effort to really reconstruct what did happen in the assassination, something that, despite the Commission, I still think might best be done officially, I believe a necessary prerequisite is that the Report be understood as false (WHITEWASH) and how a commission of such members could make such a serious error (WHITEWASH II). Credibility must be established. This means the people must understand. I have no reason to doubt the refugee Cubans were involved, however.

And it is possible for a man to be a Marine and never learn how to drive. Few have to. He can observe the various vehicles and master the steps required. But without the practice, he's not much of a driver- certainly not a high-speed one.

Sorry to have had to rush and try and pick up after a number of Sunday interruptions. Thanks for sharing your thoughts.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

I have dated the "Walker" letter as November, 1968. I won't insult your intelligence, or presume upon your time to the extent of presenting my argument; you can figure it out for yourself if you study each part of the letter with the available facts at hand. I will merely mention the following:

The Walker Report has gone to considerable pains to exclude the 1148 1/2 address from possibility in connection with this letter. Lee Rankin elicited from Marina Oswald that they did not pay a water bill at that address. However, Lee Savage reported that an early lead stated that the letter mentioned electricity and gas.

There is the tone of the letter. The Commission was tone deaf on more than one occasion. The letter refers to a time when Lee and Marina were separated and Marina was unfamiliar with Dallas. (The Victoria Diary is interesting in this matter of tone. She writes a diary in the present tense? It is a literary device for a composition after the fact. An exercise in fiction, in fact.)

Marina Oswald told Lee Rankin that Lee was out of work for two weeks at the above time (October, 1968 -through November 19 is the full time of this mysterious period, apparently.) She refers to the time of their separation as a "month and a half" , and Rankin himself says a "month and a half" about three times.

Life Magazine on February 24, 1964 was a "lif. stop" of Oswald. on this period they are very foggy. They say Oswald was out of work for three weeks. According to the Report he was out of work two days.

If you check what Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, Marina, and Mrs. Hall say, it appears that Oswald was steered into this job. *anyone else, Steve.*

If the letter was written about November, 1968, Oswald was obviously up to some caper that might get him arrested - and one from which he might not return.

This was the period of the Cuban Missile crisis...when we had

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know there were ~~invasion~~ invasion plans afoot. If Oswald had a CIA connection he could have known of this "crisis" in advance of its being made public.

I feel that about this time Oswald and his ~~associates~~ associates were involved in some caper - very likely a provocative act that would try to help insure that the invasion come off. If it took place in early November, after the worst part of the crisis was over, it could mean that Oswald and associates were going to make some fake attack or incident in which it appeared pro-leftists were involved. We know that these fake incidents were schemed up and attempted during that period.

I am just guessing now - but perhaps, just as the "Walker" letter was displaced from ~~April~~ November, 1962, to April, 1963, perhaps the "airplane hijacking" scheme was displaced. - The letter states that if arrested or taken, Oswald expected to be in the Dallas jail so maybe it was there, the plane was to be hijacked.

I think that since the Report went to such pains to cover up this very mysterious period in Oswald's life, that it had good reason to. Some caper might have come off, or come off abortively in which Oswald was involved and to which he could have been connected.

I further suggest that Jeggers-Chiles-Stovall may have been a CIA front. After all, it's supposed to be where Oswald made his photographic forgeries. (-Ed Holmenschildt made a film in Guatemala) before the Bay of Pigs)

I feel this has importance because it is important to find an area of investigation - a time or a period obscured by the Report and other interested parties - in which something could be turned up - this might be the time period to examine. Oswald expected and was prepared for publicity. It is apparent from the letter that "the information" was known to Marina, the recipient. And if there were also newspaper articles, Marina was to save them, send them to the Embassy.

Sorry to bother you with all this - but you are still the best anti-Report thinker around - and you have stated that this case must be solved.

Sincerely,

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Is it possible for a man to spend 3 years in the Marine Corps & not know how to drive?

Up to now, the emphasis in this case has been upon Oswald's big guilt or innocence. Who is an innocent person or guilty person?

Just that is now time to reconstruct the whole case with "what really did happen" in mind, and to regard Oswald's life as merely a clue to his character's activities - nothing can be proved by such a reconstruction - but it might turn up an area that could be studied closely enough that something hard - factual could be produced. - After all, Oswald's sight particularly in several occasions.

If we only knew where to look, we - or one of us - might find something.

"Marilyn"
~~Waltz~~, persistence, - what was the purpose of meeting this person? what part was "Nikki" to have played in the communist party.
 (This "Nikki" person - had Oswald's presence in the party any more important?)