

JL: Not too long after I phoned you about the Dell file, while Hal and I were agettin and atalkin about going <sup>to</sup> bed the phone rang. It was one of the stardest, Judge, for whom I had agreed to do a King b'cast. It was for tonight. I'd forgotten. It was for the first time he could get the WATS line. Since the station is in Yellow Springs, Ohio, I presume it is antioch's. Instead of the craziness of whis crap on JFK, on this one he fed me straight lines or those I could easily straighten on the CBS b'cast. I took it apart, with Rather. Small as the station is, we may still find it monitored. In any event, I'll not get to the point, what bubbled out and I liked. You don't have to. I had said something to the effect that with a half-million budget if their interest had been truth could one imagine what the people might have learned. He agreed and said something. So, after having called it a monstrosity on which a half million was spent I thought it was time for a joke that popped into my mind. He laughed, whether or not you do: "Can you imagine what they could have produced if they'd spent a million?"....I'm lucky with these crazies. Perhaps on King it was easier because they haven't devoted their talents to it. Maybe in part it was because Judge knows me. But there was no crazy stuff at all. ...The only one who was ever a probelm was Salandria, the first time I met him, in the summer of 1966, on a four-hour show on which he fillibustered insanity for almost all. I then felt I had to be polite to all. And I've been on with them as crazy as Sahl for 4 hours...This was my first, if modest chance after the airing. And I said "If Rather didn't know better than he said it is because he and his staff ignored the court records we xeroxed for them, -14 volumes...no innocence." This was spontaneous and I was tired. (The adrenalin flows fast enough.) I think as a matter of policy, no matter ~~how~~ how small the station, I'll be laying it on when there is proper occasion...I have a notion that some of our old "friends" may monitor these kids. If they do, the word will get back, even if on FM it doesn't get very far. HW 1/9/76