

12/26/70

Dear Mary,

'Twas the night after Xmas, and all through the house, one creature was starried - this old boy couldn't sleep. So, at four a.m., I got up. While making a pot of coffee, I decided that before getting back to reading 'Aisler, I'd write you. Lil again commented on how long it has been since we've heard of you and yauts yesterday, so I know it is on her mind also.

While making the coffee, I tuned in on WBBM Chicago. They had an item on the combined Cuban-Coast Guard rescue of those on the converted cutter, the Sea Raider, yesterday and somewhere near Cuba. Now a boat of this name and description used to be owned by one of your Dallas boys, a clothing manufacturer, whose name I recall as 'hornton or something like that. I have long believed it is the boat Hall et al expected to get.

So, if anything appeared in your papers on it and you can still get whatever did appear, I'd be interested. Especially in the names of those aboard, and of these, especially the crew.

The Archives has sent me the list of CDs declassified in the 1970 review. I presume you and Arch also got them, but if not, I'll supply. I'll be going over all these docs, so if there are any you want, let me know. If I had the money, I'd get all of them. I'll mention this to Bud. If we can swing it, he can now get xeroxes made for about 4¢ each. I've found such a place in DC. This would reduce the cost to those who want copies, and I think that what was ever withheld ought to be gone over with care. I do not believe any appreciable part of it was to protect the innocent. Of what I have of the Ferris docs, this is not the case.

The envelope I'm using is an old one, part of several packets Lil had bought before we were married for Xmas cards she made. Found them several days ago, when I spent about an hour in that mending job of trying to clean up the cellar. As you know, I now use everything. The stickum is popped out, so the Scotch tape is mine.

We do hope your long silence is not because you are so deep in serious problems.

I've not been able to keep you posted on everything. I've made requests for the Powell material of DJ and Army (I have you anything but the two FBI pt rpts and the one from SS? I have 2pp from CD206, CD354:1009, CD329:58. I've asked for the picture and if there were more than one and the report(s). Let you know.

Have a good year-all of you.

Best,