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Dear Mary,

In some ways I'm so glad Curry's is a short book. With all I have to do (and right now there is much more than usual), I nonetheless felt + had to read it immediately and + have. It is, as you say, shot full of error. However, it has certain values, aside from the obvious one saying there is no real proof Oswald was the assassin. It is about these that I write.

But first + must again thank you for your thoughtfulness. Even the fancy, pleated envelope, which has a fine adhesive permitting opening without tearing. That is wonderful for holding papers too large for a single file folder and much more secure for carrying.

Curry makes pretty clear to me he was unhappy with the FBI. That interests me much, and if you have or know of anything else on this it would interest me. He just about says he didn't want and need them. While I am not hopelessly lost in respect for him or his police, they'd have done no worse.

I find myself wondering about whether all that seems wrong is or must be- whether the WC/FBI stuff may not be in some cases. Aside from the things in the logs I do not recall from the federal versions (and after five years it could be weak recall), there are other tidbits, like Odum being chauffeur, a 1:30 a.m. arraignment (if there was, indeed, any!) and Oswald's half-hour phone call. Is that in any of the Commission stuff?

Is it possible to get any of the police pictures from the police? I'm interested in several, especially the one on 68 (and related documents), those copies of the two atop 67. Also those the papers have taken at the hospital. My interests here are two things, chiefly: to show there was no real security on the car there and that it was, actually, washed (of which + have separate proof).

What do you suppose the possibilities are of getting some of the documents now they have been published? Can they legally (I know they can by raw power) withhold these and others now that they have been published?

...in your visit to California, did you come across Joel Palmer? Or his present address. Can you get it from Boxley, who probably has it? I want to write Joel to ask him once again to return something to me.

Another police picture that interests me, if we can get a print from the original negative, is CE740. I'd only to borrow. I have the exhibit print.

Has any of you been in touch with any of the panel doctors? Results?

We've decided to file two different suits, but just one. I think we are pretty close on one and not far away on the second. We'll keep you posted.

Again thanks.

Sincerely,