

HW 1/30/78

Jerry phoned me about 11:30 last night, perhaps a little later. I'd just gone to sleep. He jabbered until about 12:30. Just chatter. No special purpose, no apparent purpose, either. He sang in his unmelodious way.

But he did say that the Atlanta papers have been carrying UPI stories that have not appeared around here and that have not been reported to me from other parts of the country.

What he mentioned is indicative of but not necessarily proof of official guidance through those 20,000 pages or more.

Example is the details of bringing Ray home and controversy between Hoover and Clark. The FBI's flacks would know that any news service would go for the cover stuff, especially when he was arrogant, as for the inconsequential details of the trip back, which is on such a story National Enquirer reporting.

Jerry said he had sent the clippings to "The Honorable Mark Lane."

He also says that Lane has the judge's approval to argue Jerry's case against McMillan and Little, Brown after Jerry does the preliminary work, which Jerry says will really be done by Jimmy, aka Perry Mason. Jerry says he will make all pretrial arguments.

This is to say that Lane has conned Jerry, for Jerry can't really do anything in court.

But as of last night he had no answers to interrogatories. Instead another ~~motion~~ Motion to Dismiss.

Jerry says that Lane says he has a good case. Jerry is spending his \$200,000 now, in his mind. Troubled by whether to get a Continental or a Cadillac.

He says that a Georgia judge gave the FBI 10 days to comply with Stoner's FOIA request. Stoner did not use PA. You have my last letter to him by now. Alabama tried to extradict Stoner without live witnesses, but the judge in Georgia would not allow it. He said live witnesses in his courtroom. Jerry thinks that Alabama will drop the case.

He says that Stoner and his lawyer have a Tuesday meeting with the House assassins down there. He told me what the professed interest is and I've forgotten. It was not Milteer or his relations with the Rays, from what Jerry said.

Jerry's interest in me and chickens comes from Lane, who continues to tell him that I make my living from chickens.

Jerry says he understands what a championship cook is but not a champion farmer. How do you do that he keeps on asking. Lane must have him hooked on everything.