

Dear Roger,

9/29/92

Your annotations on my 9/21, in saying that Humes' new line, that he destroyed his notes, began after he read Whitewash I should have added that Boswell's also seems to date to that. His was referring to his accurate fact sheet as a mistake. Your note is "No, Lattimer gave him the cue regarding Lincoln." Do you know that you are talking about the same thing I am?

I want to caution you again about not getting carried away with a new idea you have not examined ^{carefully} ~~isolely~~, as your own devil's advocate, like on the examination being continued when the body had been turned over to the embalmers, after Sibert and O'Neill left. To what end? and with all those who knew it silent when they have spoken?

What I am pretty sure Kellerman's daughter was trying to tell me is that the agents did not agree with the official solution and probably particularly not re the single-bullet theory.

I've been doing quite a bit of writing about this lately and that has brought much back to mind.

But I see no need for the prosecutors to continue their examination after the morticians had the body, nothing they could accomplish, nothing they had any need to do.

Toying with the body about to be buried served no purpose.

You probably have something of Koch's firing or Baden but in making a copy I made and extra so I enclose it.

Thanks and best wishes,

Hand

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9/21/92

Dear Roger,

From your 9/18 notes on your conversation re Finck's notes or rather memos I take it that the copies I sent you had not yet reached you. *You were right.*

You did not ask for them and I failed to ask you if you wanted them and after we spoke I realized that you would want them so I did make the copies and I mailed them.

Advantage

If you get anything that I did not send you I am of course interested. I plan to use some of Finck's memo to Blumberg in what I'm writing.

I did not know that JAMA is going a followup. I love it! And would like to know whatever you hear of it. What they did is so crazy, so irresponsible, and now to compound it? Finck can't help them except in propaganda. *Livingstone said he didn't think Finck would talk to them, but he's an idiot.*

I have portions must see someday.

I do have the transcript of his NO testimony, by the way. And of our depositions of Frazier, Shaneyfelt and Gallagher, real professional witnesses, as Unger says in his book.

Agree

All three prosecutors made notes and none have surfaced although 'umes' were to have been included in CD371. He did not destroy them, either, regardless of what he said after what I wrote and sent him and Boswell copies of. *[F]* That is when his new line began, after that, rather. So any notes Finck may have made and left can be quite interesting if not also valuable.

No, let me give him the cue regarding Lincoln.

If the letters of appreciation are interesting I'd appreciate copies.

What is the one-page memo Kelley mentioned?

Of course, that's why I asked. He tried to backtrack on that. I think they have more.
Dunno, that's why I asked.
Good luck, and thanks,
Jeff

I have what relates to Finck and this in a separate file on the book I'm writing if we discuss this, so please remind me. What you sent will be with that for later filing in the regular files.

Peggy Robohm called again. She checked her transcript of O'Neill. Says now he wasn't there at closing of casket but saw K after embalmers were done and he looked fine. No need to close casket. That's a relief - he's my friend again. Now I have no doubt the examination was resumed after S&D left. Harold, I'm getting closer to what Kellerman's daughter was trying to tell you so long ago. We're going to bust this!
PBF 9/25/92

Memo to File 9/18/92

Had a lengthy phone conversation this afternoon with Mike Rhode (pronounced Rhod-ee), Chief Archivist of the National Museum of Health and Medicine, AFIP. I was referred to him by Chris Kelley, the AFIP's public affairs officer.

Rhode alerted me to the fact that he's already had a couple of requests for the Finck documents, including one from JAMA, which is apparently doing a follow-up interview with Finck, who is still alive and well in Geneva, Switzerland.

He has a copy of Finck's 1965 report to Blumberg. The way the museum got it is that Blumberg died in 1985 and his wife wanted the AFIP to clear all of his papers out of their house. These were contained in a number of boxes. An envelope was found containing Finck's report, and it was marked "To be opened only be General Blumberg." For approximately three years, Blumberg's papers were stored behind an exhibit at the Museum until they could figure out what to do with them.

The HSCA may have gotten something more or different or just about the same from Finck directly.

Finck apparently attached approximately 100 pages of photocopied material to his report, including the autopsy pathologists' testimony, some of Robert Frazier's testimony pertaining to the clothes, WC exhibits, excerpts from the Warren Report, and newspaper clippings. Rhode went through it for me on the phone and assured me there were no marginalia. He said he does not provide copies of this stuff simply because it takes too much time. Also attached, however, were "letters of appreciation" from Blumberg, Galloway, Kenney, A.J. Hall (?), Robert McNamara and two others not named, but I'm getting the photocopies of those.

Rhode professed to have no knowledge of the one-page memo that Chris Kelley mentioned to me, but I included it in my written request as a precaution.

Earlier, I spoke with Kelley about Captain Karnei, who was interviewed by Livingstone. He says Karnei may be a little bit shy about talking with anyone else after the experience. Didn't know Livingstone was taping him, and I got the impression from Kelley, who knows Karnei, that he thought all or part of what he was telling Livingstone was off-the-record.

RBF



forgot to mention Rhode said the envelope was unopened so they asked his wife if she wanted to see it. they opened it and that's what he said to get ahead (has a gun shot in case???) Holy shit.