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NEW ADDRESS: Rt. 7, Frederick, Md. 21701

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Dear Mrs. Gorton,

The unpleasant facts are as you state them. I was in the audience and heard Garrison's speech. It is just a bit worse: UPI ordered the story, then killed it. However, aside from the Free Press, radio stations did give the speech responsible play consistent with standard news concepts, in the LA area only, thus far.

This is not exceptional. If any Los Angeles paper has mentioned any of my books, I haven't heard of it. UPI asked me to do a story "from the other side" to mark the assassination. I wrote it, they accepted it, put it on the wire the day of or after Garrison's speech for release beginning 11/19/67. If a single paper in the entire country carried that piece, I have yet to hear of it.

I know of no paper outside the Free Press that carried the Garrison speech. I have gotten taped copies to several radio stations but do not know whether they used it. I do have a copy of the Free Press printing of the speech, but none other. Thanks.

To date the Canyon edition of OSWALD IN NEW ORLEANS is the only one. I had hoped for a simultaneous edition with the large appendix..

Thanks for your kindness in writing.

Sincerely,

Herold Feisberg

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Mr. Harold Weisberg
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A few days ago I was browsing around in a bookstore in Hollywood and came across a Canyon pocketbook edition of your latest book entitled "Oswald in New Orleans - Case (for/af) Conspiracy with the C.I.A.", forwarded by Jim Garrison.

I have been intensely interested in the work you and other researchers have been involved with since the Assassination. My interest has led me to acquire as much material on this subject, including the Report and its 26 Volumes, plus almost all the books written since the Assassination. I am about half way through Sylvia Meagher's "Accessories After the Fact"; and have recently purchased Josiah Thompson's "Six Seconds in Dallas".

In the December 22-28, 1967 (Vol. 4, #51 - Issue #179) issue of the Los Angeles Free Press, one of the "underground" newspapers in this area, coverage was given to Jim Garrison's November 14th speech before the Radio and Television News Association of Southern California. In an article in this same issue, entitled,

"The non-coverage of Garrison's un-speech", Ann Benson writes that "Invitations had been sent by host radio station KHS to AP, UPI, the Times and the Herald Examiner. No one showed. . . . Two days after the speech, a small daily, the Westside Citizen-News, picked up the city news service story and ran it. . . . No other newspaper in the country got the story. The blackout was almost complete."

I would like to know if you knew of Garrison's speech on November 14th and if any of the newspapers in your area picked up the story. I think this matter of a news blackout, if indeed it was, is very significant, especially when all matters concerning suppressions of various birds, as reported by you and other researchers, are viewed in the same light. If possible, I will obtain another copy of the issue, as mentioned above, and forward it to you for your examination.

In closing, I would request that if possible you might supply me with information necessary for obtaining a regular copy of "Oswald in New Orleans", to add to my copies of your first three books. Thank you.

Sincerely;
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