

Dear David,

11/24/92

I do not know what your plans for the reissue of ~~Fram-Up~~ are. Whatever they are, I agree to them in advance. I write to inform you of some attention to the subject so you can be aware of ~~them~~ <sup>it</sup> and if you want, to be able to convert ~~them~~ <sup>it</sup> to some use.

British Thames TV is doing an elaborate and expensive "The Trial of James Earl Ray," in collaboration with HBO. I was asked to work for it and be on it and I refused. Bill Pepper, an American lawyer practising in London who has some connection with Ray is the one who tried to hire me. He understood my refusal to be connected with it and he knew I'd help in other ways, as I have helped him in the past on this.

When Fox TV approached me, without offering to pay me, when I got what I believe are dependable assurance on the approach they'll take + agreed to help them and have and they taped me some time ago for that show.

I was reminded of this yesterday when a researcher on that show called for some information. I asked her how it was coming and when they planned to air it. They are just about finished, are pleased with how it shaped up and to the best of the knowledge of the production staff, which is Washington, not Hollywood, the net plans to air it about the time of King's birthday, which is in January, about the 20-21st.

Montgomery County cable taped about two hours, probably a little more, of me on King last week. It was at one of the two seminars I have at Hood for each class in The Politics of Assassination. A student in the class works for the cable outfit. I was asked if I'd agree to be taped for the King seminar at the end of that on JFK. What they have is what I said, the questions that were asked and how I responded.

Montgomery County is the wealthiest and most populous Maryland county near DC.

They plan to see if they can get what they evolve used on cable elsewhere.

I did not think to ask when they plan to air what they'll evolve.

When I discussed the reissue with your father I suggested that we should do an oral history from which you can select whatever you'd like to use and have new material for the book. He appeared to be enthusiastic about that and said you'd phone. I presume you are staying busy (particularly because you never sent the books you said you would) but I do think this can be quite important and hope you can find time for it soon so that you can be prepared to have the new information that should make it a better book that can sell better.

My belief is that Fox will be using much of my work and will have a show that tends to exculpate Ray or at least raise substantial questions about his conviction. That should make the subject much more interesting and encourage interest in the book.

Hope you all have a <sup>good</sup> ~~good~~ holiday.

Our best,

Harold