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Dear Don,

Thanks very much for sending the copy of the Kennedy speech. It is about as fine and essential a political statement as can be expected from anyone in political life in this country today. Finer, really. While lately I've been only skimming the paper I recall no mention of it. And I think that he lays out what is necessary for the ~~defeat~~ ^{defeat} of the no longer merely creeping authoritarianism. Remains to be learned whether others hear the tocsin.

Reminds me that at the time I think of the Atlantic City convention when there was talk of him running I hoped he would not and said so. The reason I then gave is that there would be no major changes here until the coming disaster and then he might be one of the few in the country who could pull it together again.

Hope you can make it soon. Just this past week I decided to have the hip operation recommended last fall when the tax season is over.

Except for conclusions I yesterday finished reading and correcting the latest of the book-length manuscripts as part of my study of Inside the JFK Assassination Industry. On Groden's The Killing of a President. Before that I'd completed An FBI Rewriting of the JFK Assassination, On Jim Hosty's book. It is almost retyped by a friend temporarily unemployed. The delay comes from his regarding himself as Ernest Hemmingway rather than as a typist. Before that, The JFK Assassination: Phony Scholars, Phony Scholarship, on Mark Brown's Betrayal in Dallas. When I feel up to making the copy, the daughter of a friend in California will retype that. These will be on a diskette I'll be able to lend around. I've ordered the second Groden atrocity and I'll do it next. The ignorance, the stupidity of these self-proclaimed experts is shocking.

I understand the Lifton book on Oswald is now ^{delayed} ~~delay~~ until fall.

Depends on how I feel whether I do anything more about the LaFonatine book I think is titled Oswald Talked. I wrote about them at some length when their long piece appeared in the WxPost's Outlook section. That did delay the book some.

Thanks and best,

Laurel