

Dear Don,

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The flu, shingles and bronchitis does sound like a hard semester. Do you not get the flu shots annually? We never get the flu except on the few occasions of the past when we forgot to get the shots. But it takes two weeks before they work. And not if you have a cold when you get the shot. There is also the possibility of your getting a flu not covered by the shot but the shot remains a must. It usually takes care of the expected more common bug. But, we hope you can make it. Not with today's weather, which may be more severe where you are. We've several inches of snow @ 24 degrees with the prediction for freezing rain to come momentarily.

Ed Butler was a political whore who saw his bucks on the right. He may have belonged there anyway. Ochsner was of the right but there is no reason to believe that either had any role in the assassination. I've not thought of either for years.

I do not know about Garrison but I never had any reason to connect the JFK assassination with that of Huey Long.

I knew of Christenberry. My recollection is that for his era he was a liberal. But my recollection may not be dependable.

I should remember that professor's name but it skips me now. Well known and in the Commission's record. He was a peacenik and he worried when I spoke to him, about his job. So I left his name out. Reissman I think.

Yes, I'm retiring early, now aiming for 4:30, which often I do not make. I was up this a.m. at 1:10. I need more sleep now and listen to my body.

We are both doing about as well as we can expect. Thanks for asking.

Best to you both

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Dear Harold,

Thank you for the recent communication. We are sorry we have not been down to see you and Lil. The last four months have been awful - in succession I had the flu, Shingles, and bronchitis. It was a hard semester.

I have been continuing my work on the cover-up and some new work on Clay Shaw's connections to various notables.

Do you have any current thoughts about people such as Alton Ochsner and Ed Butler (p. 255 in Oswald In New Orleans)? Both were involved with the Information Council of the Americas (mentioned on pp. 51-52 in Oswald In New Orleans).

Did you or anyone else around Jim Garrison have the time to think about the assassination of Huey Long and its possible connections to New Orleans in the 1960s?

Do you know of a federal judge from Louisiana named Herbert Christenberry?

On pages 202 and 203 of Oswald In New Orleans (Canyon Books ed.) the name(s) of a Tulane professor was left out. Could you tell me who that was?

I will call you about the above questions in a week or so.

Peggy and I talked last week about getting down to see you and we want to do that as soon as schedules, energy, and weather permit. Is 11 AM to 5 PM still the time to come?

We were very sorry to hear about your health problems. I hope you are both doing okay. Please tell Lil we said hello.

Sincerely,

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