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Dear Madeline,

Your letter of the 24 exemplifies the true evil done by all the nuts, self-seekers and self-styled "pat-boilers."

You have, like countless others, been subject to a very profitable campaign of lies and misrepresentations, manufactures of deliberateness and stupidity, for so long they have melded with your earnest yearnings and you just cannot leave go.

There simply is no basis, in fact or even reason, for what you want to believe about those irrelevant pictures.

You are so frustrated that in order to justify the belief you now make up your own impossibilities. I know both of Ray's brothers very well. In fact, I've heard from both this week. It simply is not possible that any of those figures is either.

The truth in all of this is agony enough. Why torture yourself even more ~~with~~ by allowing yourself to be deceived and permitting yourself to enlarge on these deceptions?

You wonder if Bud "has been taken in." I wish I knew the answer because he manages to get himself involved in all those wierd deals. However, on the Morrow/Downing thing, I believe not.

But he and the others always feed b.s. to the media, succeeding in misdirecting still more. I had several calls this week from major media on awful stuff. So I stay away from them all. They have their right to do their thing and I restrict myself to my own work. I do, however, regret the consequences, most of all when I receive letters like yours.

Straws are for chewing pensively, not for grasping at.

I have not seen the Playboy Watergate piece. I can't afford the magazine and I have had no occasion to get near the town magazine dealer. From the awful guff they got on TV to promote it I suppose I should. There is to be a sequel. I don't know Dubois but I've had dealings with Gonzales. He is a literary whore, a professional plagiarist, a thoroughly untrustworthy man. From my experience he serves only the government's interests. They debase truth and fact as they debase women.

Regretfully,

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Dear Harold -

It was good to talk the other day and to catch up on the matters I hadn't heard of. But the things that go wrong in connection with members of Congress are especially disheartening. Maybe that Morrow book will prove "catching" among other Congressmen now that Rep. Downing has publicized it in a press conference. I wonder if Bud Fensterwald has been taken in by it & influenced Downing.

Will Sen. Schweicker come back to the issue now that his giddy caper with the Vice Presidency is over? Nothing will happen on it till after the election, that's sure - ^{Senator} Inouye (Sp?) and his Committee will probably wrap up some slight inadequate investigation in a hurry. Well, maybe I'm too pessimistic.

Just for the record, I'm not convinced that the 3 "tramps" are winners. They look like men made up to look like tramps. I have no proof, of course, just clues but at present time I think "Frenchy" may be one of James Earl Ray's brothers, & possibly "Paul", and that the tall one may be E.E. Bradley's younger brother and the third man, Fred Lee Crisman. (I'm aware of the names given them & identities - by Gary Patrick Hemming.)
Did you read the article on Howard Hughes, Nixon & CIA

in September Playboy? A lot of the material is familiar by now
but it's good because the writers, DuBois & Gonzales, emphasize
that no one has ever got to the bottom of Watergate or answered
the question of why it happened. And because they show how
Nixon and his henchmen were the appointed scapegoats while
the Hughes empire and the CIA got off Scot free.

my best,

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