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6-28-67 10A

Dear Mr Weisberg:

Thank for your answer.  
It really got the job done - my  
faith in you is total. I'm  
sorry about redink, staples  
& sideways scribble - I do get  
carried away & will do better.  
I'm so glad the clippings  
really helped. The N.O. T.P.  
Personal ad - Re: "Nov 22" Info - is  
running 3rd Sunday - & no  
doubt weekdays, which I don't  
see - so person is persistent.  
I do hope it isn't a trap &  
a box # & blind return will  
bring the information in. But  
I am rather overly cautious &  
you may approach it differently.  
I do notice Garrison feels  
the same about phone tapping  
as I do - so I'm not to alone  
in my suspicions.

As usual, for NBC - one  
shot & CBS - 1st 3 shots, - I



7) Had no trouble in making long lists of holes in 2<sup>nd</sup> story. My husband came up with ~~the~~ - I feel worth mentioning: "Unless it was pure reflex action - why did the person shooting from 6<sup>th</sup> flr. T.S.D. window eject the 3<sup>rd</sup> shell <sup>or full?</sup> - Speed would have made him leave it in the rifle". Also "if Mr. ~~Prevent~~ <sup>Prevent</sup> claims of person doing shooting, standing back a foot to survey his handiwork - why did a person 2 his slow - not bend down & pick up the shells?" I believe for the same reason - no shells were found behind fence on grassy knoll - they were meant to be found.

About NDC-affiliate <sup>in N.O.</sup> WDSU; You may know all this - but I will not assume - either duplicated then not at all - In late summer of



3/ 1953 - we lived at 638  
Royal & I worked at WDSU  
520 Royal as a PBX-Receptionist.  
Fred worked at San American  
films in town processing all their  
films. We knew many people  
there. Although this is long ago -  
it indicates the situation that  
still prevails & explains why  
they fell into line, at this  
time - <sup>1967</sup> HUAC & Senator  
Eastland were at their peak -  
a man named Herman  
Luericht was - I believe,  
Program Director <sup>at WDSU-TV</sup> - he, as I  
recall, refused to give the newly  
forming "Citizens Council's" (high  
class KKK) publicity at the  
station (they used AM-FM+TV) so  
covered a large listening &  
viewing audience - also just calon  
in N.O. CBS & ABC were nothing  
then. (I notice WW/CBS in N.O. did  
fine last night) In any event,  
Herman Luericht - much no



4) chance to defend himself  
with the usual tactics of the  
far right prevail - was  
thrown out but quiet period.  
Edgar B. Stern - the Station  
Owner - then & now - & the so  
called leading & leader - N.O.  
Liberal - did not raise one  
little finger to stop this. Neither  
did. Erwin Roche Jr - another  
liberal - who ~~owns~~ art Theaters  
etc - left a finger - he was then  
at WDSU - <sup>(M92 fd pink)</sup> he may not still be  
now - But he still lives in N.O.  
So - all things being relative -  
~~is~~ ones liberalism & devotion to  
freedom & justice - in the last  
analysis - depends upon where  
one lives - the circumstances &  
how much one has to lose. I  
believe Edgar Stern was Jewish.  
He may not have wanted to  
tip the boat - <sup>in 53 or 67</sup> & have the right  
wing boycott his station & combine  
their old - Communist - but



5/1 run him out of business.  
This, incidentally, was my first  
introduction onto the right wing -  
Left Wing - deal - I later went  
to a court procedure of Eastland's  
committee & saw Americans thrown  
out bodily & a so-called ex-  
Communist's word taken as  
gospel. It was sickening &  
started me on my many years  
of interest in the fascist movement  
(no doubt was the reason).  
I felt so strongly at the first  
word - of President - shot - on  
Nov-22, that - they, the fascists,  
had finally made the big  
move they had been looking  
for a chance to make for -  
two decades.

Fred had a very close  
friend - all the way to grade  
school. The friendship goes - who  
was & still maybe - a projectionist  
at WDSU. He might still be  
there & I have heard something



6/ of interest. He is not listed  
in phone book in N.O. But  
if you'd like Fred says tell  
write to ~~him~~ <sup>his mother for his address.</sup> If he's still there  
he no doubt has a higher  
position by now & for an old  
friend just might say something  
worth while - It's away out  
slot - But, I hope kind seem  
to do as well at the things  
that should bear fruit.

If you appear close  
to us again - to talk - please  
let us know - I can assure  
you the local news media does  
not tell us of your speaking date  
in Ohio or neighboring States.

I would be so grateful  
to have any books - you finish - as  
soon as possible & I will remit  
postage & book fee - post haste.

Incidentally - that "girch"  
shot of Oswald - after theater  
capture - showed the shirt - he  
had on in Altgens - TSBV - entrance



4/ picture - naturally no reference  
on program - actually - you  
might say - the Warren Comm -  
Report - was filmed in  
living color - with favorable  
changes made by witnesses -  
witnesses & audience; next  
it will be shown at our  
neighborhood theaters "uncut"  
& at reduced prices for the  
mass consumption of the  
great American public - who's  
government - wants to keep them  
informed & would never think  
of brainwashing them - like they  
do in the non-certain countries -  
Only - the "free" world - Greece -  
Spain - South Vietnam <sup>South Africa</sup> etc  
have such a free - open - &  
true - flow of information  
where - where - Aint we lucky?

I wonder when Herman  
Lovecraft is today. Luskon had  
it - he joined the Hollywood  
10 - after the McCarthy hearings



§) and went to Europe & then  
N.Y.C. He might be interesting  
to talk to - He was a good  
man in his field - & no doubt -  
no more "Comsup" then you or I.  
Although before I'm so all  
over - another McCarthy may  
emerge & lord knows what  
will become of us all.

NBC. Said "qualified"  
researchers may have prying to  
their shown & unshown tapes -  
I wonder if this means you & you  
will avail yourself. NBC also  
says - Garrison refused to appear  
on their show - If this is true - one  
wonders - what they would expect  
when the man has a trial in  
session & was treated thusly.

I also hope you have  
the same right as Commander  
Humes - this you should demand!  
No one person - should be allowed  
to see those ~~papers~~ & testify  
alone - Especially, when the



Q/ one man was Furnes.

Why is it always -  
Lane & maybe Epstein  
(the networks & etc)  
They call upon - Do they  
even call on you - or are  
they afraid too - or do they  
& you refuse?

Jim - in a better frame  
of mind now - hearing from  
you & knowing you will  
never give up & you even  
expect a not-too-long - finish  
to all your efforts - This seems  
impossible - But if you say so  
I believe you. I realize now -  
that only someone who ~~did~~<sup>does</sup>  
feel as you do - could have  
started this in the first place -  
& ~~most~~<sup>most</sup> of all - gone on with  
it in the face of the greatest  
counter - attack - in history.  
The greatest honor of my  
life - will be to meet you  
someday - & my family feels  
like mine - My best to you & your wife  
Sincerely  
Tom Halfeet



10)

P.S.

Believe it or not -  
ordinarily - I am not  
a prolific writer - it  
takes something that  
really gets to my very  
core to bring this on -  
I only wish I lived  
closer to you - so I  
could come & help you  
in any way - menial or  
otherwise - I would  
gladly empty baskets  
& run errands - As usual  
I thought without  
action will keep little -  
I do hope someone close -  
has helped - Do your neighbors  
concur with you - ignore you  
or actively work against  
you? Its along these lines  
that I remembered what  
Dorothy Mury went thru  
from her Maryland neighbors -  
in her fight against the church - J.H.



13/

P.S. I almost forget -  
a fellow - I believe -  
named Ed Nelson - who  
is now Dr. (Somebody?)  
on the "Peyton Place" soap  
opera - evenings - twice a  
week - ABC, I think - Was  
also working for WDSU - NO.  
when I was working there  
<sup>was</sup> there when I left. When  
he got involved as "talent"  
rather than - administration -  
on the network level - I don't  
know - Just mentioned it for  
what its worth - probably "0".

L. L. H.

This must present a terrible  
dilemma to the Right Wing - Now  
how can they call the Eastern  
Liberal Establishment News Media -  
"Left Wing"? This is the paradox of  
the Arab - Israeli - war - must  
be almost too much for them.



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I can't help but  
wondering -  
what  
Edward R. Murrow  
would do if he  
were alive today -  
I just can't believe  
he would "sell his soul  
to the devil" as he  
has done -

But once again -  
"We are Sold and Price"  
Except - you - !!!

Have you been "pressured?" if no.

I wonder if you will be?

I wonder how you will be - if you are.

Is your wife behind you? Come what may -

If any - the rest of your family behind you.

Are you or your loved ones vulnerable?

I know you too busy to answer -

I just wanted you to know - all  
the things I wonder & worry about  
in your behalf -



12/ I Do hope Garrison - has  
Returned my letter to you - I sent  
you & you sent him - His files seem to be  
public property -

6-30-69 9:30 AM

Pro-log - CBS. 4th Episode over

Well - The Govt. P. R. Firms - NBC - CBS  
have Really knocked themselves out -  
You can't take the "Σ" for effort from  
them, for some - it will work - for  
others (we paranoid - conspiracy types)  
won't swallow it (although - their "cute"  
Right Wing analogies) - were just too much.

I hope you recorded all  
NBC & CBS - McCloy got the last  
word - except for Severid's &  
Ceonkites emotional, illogical pleas.

I think the personality  
cult - of newsmen - has reached  
it's zenith - I expect to see them  
in the movie version - playing -  
Oswald & Ruby - before this is  
all over - It would be funny - if it  
weren't so terrible & prestigious.