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# 10/15/78

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Most modern sets have been cheapened and have volume bat little selectivity. Because of local interference on a Washington news station I used a set now 13 years old. It is more sensitive that new sets that I can's separate with. Nights and in the house (I use the other when walking) I used a 12-year-old Zenith, which also tunes sharply and also outperforms newer such sets.

I kno. how I'd feel without some news.

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By the way, if you have a set with short wave you can get US news as broadcast to other countries and to the troops. Including daytime. They're fairly cheap stateside.

Those sound tests do indicate a fourth shot. I know only what the committee's witness said, that it is possible. They did some correlating but the committee will want to play this down.

Trafficante's testimony was not broadcast. However, I know of no way in which it is relevant to the crime. It has other relevances but not to the JFK killing.

Larry Flynt is flipped out, his stuff is b.s and as long as Lane is connected with the reward it will not go to anyone else and they'll have no basis for deciding what is relevant. Lane is a performer, not an expert. And unscrupudous. The others know even less than he does.

Firing time : committee claims that with open sights takes less than 2/3 seconds.

Lil and I are both okay, both tired from the intensity of it all, and she is right now scaling her hip joints, which trouble her from time to time. I'm able to do more than I could a year ago so that's good, too.

Excuse the hasse. 41 just finish making copies of exhibits to a long memo I have to give my lawyer in the a.m. I have to collate them and arrange with the memo and get an early statt for Washington. And catch up with the rest of the mail so it won't stack up while I take care of the lengthy legal work on the FOIA cases.

I hope \$\$\$ you are happy there. I do have hopes of getting to Dallas. I have an invitation but in a year haven't had time to accept it.

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NEWS IS THE BIG DRAWBACK, I'M A HOUND ON KEEPING UP WITH THE EVENTS. WE ONLY GET AN AM STATION, WITH UPI RELEASES (EVERYTHING IS DROWN OUT BY THE NEARBY MAXICAN STATIONS), WE ALSO ONLY PICK-UP OUR STATESIDE MAIL EVERY TEN DAYS OR SO, THUS NOT ONLY DO WE WISH TO FIND OUT IF YOUR DOING OK, BUT ALSO, IF THE TIME IS POSSIBLE YOU COULD FILL ME IN ON THE LATEST HAFFENINGS?

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WE'RE ONLY ABOUT 450 MILES FROM DALLAS, SO IF YOU ARE COMING THAT WAY IN THE NEAR FUTURE, FLEASE WRITE, AND WE'LL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO GET THERE TO SEE YOU.

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