

6/7/67

Dear Both,

Bill feels punk today's headachy, so a hasty response to yours of 6/5.

Neris Gun is for real. Dulles hates him. It is "Yellow not Red" on the rose color. I've no copy, have never seen. It had Walther's-cmr or manhole shot pix.

I don't recall any Bud except a Ward, who was nice.

We come close to answering 100% of the letters, and hate to take the time. People are entitled to it.

I think we should expect all current books to slow down because, esp. with N.O. developments, people think they have read and heard all of it, that having one book they have them all, and none of us has the dough to promote and advertise.

On Dugger: if you get a chance to check that issue, not copy, see if it goes into that. I do not believe Oswald was there and his presence is not my interest. It is in the meeting, who was the e, who sponsored, who spoke. I do not know Dugger. He never wrote me and left me out of his review of books on the subject.

Saw Tom yesterday. He is returning.

I finally had to tell Mrs. Kopselam not to call me any more. She pays no attention, does everything she is counselled against, takes an awful lot of time from busy people who can put the time to good use, and is beyond hope. I know her record. The police checked it out for me almost a year ago. I guess she has wasted almost the equivalent of a working month for us. There is nothing I can do for her. If she calls again, I'll hang up. She hasn't, for more than a week.

Good luck on II. Hope Penn finishes it soon.

Let me know about the enclosed.

Our best,

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PENN JONES, JR., EDITOR

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Dear Lillian and Harold,

This is the P. S. to my first letter. I forgot to include the main purpose of the letter.

You asked about the October meeting Walker attended and Oswald was alleged to have attended. Now Penn's not here, but I think I remember about that:

If this the meeting you have in mind, Ronnie Dugger, THE TEXAS OBSERVER, 504 West 24th Street, Austin, Texas, had the most extensive interview with Michael Paine than any newsman has done. In that interview I believe Paine talks about the meetings Oswald attended and Oswald's discussion with Paine later as to just how he felt about what was said at the meetings.

This is in the Dec. 13, 1963 issue of THE OBSERVER, and perhaps you can get Dugger to send you a copy.

If you can't, we have the bound volumes of the 1963 OBSERVER, but since they are bound, we would have some difficulty - or rather delay - in having duplicates made of those pages. Let us know.

Have you seen Tom recently? We had a postcard from him last week and he seemed to think he would be returning to New Orleans soon. Said he would pick up his car in Dallas, then stop by here before returning to N. O.

And how about Mrs. Koppelman? Good Gosh. We get a letter from her every day, and of course she calls all the time. However we have been spending evenings at a little farm we have about 4 miles from here. Has an unlisted phone, so we haven't been talking to her quite so much... By the way, that number is GR - 53739 if you should ever need to find us there. There is one other family on the line. I don't know who they are.

P.G.

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Dear Lillian and Harold,

I've been intending to ask you for such a long time: Does anyone have a copy of "Red Roses of Dallas" or something like that? We get one of two inquiries a week from people searching for that book. Is the author's name really Nerin Gun? Or is that a spoof?

Penn is working hard on Vol. II. We'll print it in our shop. Hope to have it out in maybe two months.

Had a real nice letter from a fellow who has been corresponding with you. Think his name was "Bud." You have really made a believer out of him.

This business of answering letters is pretty hard - or so I find it. But we are operating on a little better system now. I never could get Penn's attention long enough to find out how to answer some of these. But now I get him to dictate them, and we are going along at a faster clip... Back in the Dim Dark Ages I used to be a court reporter. I thought all my shorthand was gone, but I find that letters are fairly easy. I couldn't take testimony any more, not without hours & hours of brushing up.

We receive many letters saying the writer has written to Mark Lane - this one and that one - with no reply. You must be the only one who answers all your correspondence, with the Jones dragging along a mighty poor second.

Had an interesting overnight guest, Barney Robin, M. S. Arnoni's Man Friday. We had been with him and Mr. Arnoni in California.

Penn's lecture dates are slowing down, also book sales. I think he has two lectures in the offing, both in Texas, won't be too much of an audience. Did one in El Paso not long ago, probably to the dismay of the school sponsors. That's Birch country.

With Friendship, L.A.