

Dear Jim,

9/28/75

The enclosed letter to the council, of the country in which we lived may lead you to believe that I have taken leave of my senses but I think whether or not it finally gets some attention there is no other way. I know I am entitled to a tax remission, I can't figure out why they never responded and of all possible reasons none seems good. The young man who told me I knew as a boy. He works in that field for the county. Were it not for him I'd not have known what they did behind my back. I learned then only by accident. He overheard me talking to someone in the next partitioned off space.

This has been one of those days anyway. I had to get it out somehow before I do a broadcast to Milwaukee under adverse conditions and when I should be abed.

My new tractor/mower went bad while I was using it. With less than 12 hours of use in all. Something in the transmission. And I hadn't even finished the mowing I'll now have to finish by hand and foot and push with no time for it.

However, there is some progress. Lil completed an extraordinarily long index for Post Mortem. She did it over the years and under the worst of circumstances. She is unhappy about it. I see minor flaws only and did not take the time to do anything about them to get the editing done so that she can start typing. Must be at least 3,000 cards!

As you will have gathered from an earlier letter to Howard, all the ripoff artists seem to be hard at work. So I must push even harder.

If the word has not gotten around out there, it seems from a Pacific News item that Sarah Jane Moore tipped Bensky, KPFA, on the Hearst arrest. Seems unlikely but they did copyright the item.

My last word on Security Associates International and their coming "solution" to the JFK offing is that it is, essentially, what has been written plus a charge that the FBI did it. (I temporarily killed the one saying the CIA did.) Newhall says that what they told him other than this one charge is all in what I've published.

The Houston Chronicle reporter who broke their stories (against hard editorial resistance) tells me the SA people are so arrogant his editor won't talk to them. However, this reporter has promised to tape their announcement for me. Newhall says it is close. Rather that they tell him it is.

Lane's CCI is having a Conn. convention soo. I'm told that Weicher is going to be there. Plus Garrison, Bud, etc. This guy wanted me. He was happy when I told him I would not go because Lane had already forbidden it.

I've done the text for three of the four covers and have a plan for the extra appendix pages that ought not raise too much hell with the index: new Nosenko/CIA/Coleman/Slawson stuff. ~~Blank~~ balances a little CIA with the FBI, to which the book is heavily devoted.

The one diversion for which I took time today was gratifying. Otis Pike on Face the Nation. He said it well and what needed saying. If he really starts fighting there can be some fun. And maybe some good come of it. The Democrats are too sacred to be good politicians. They are missing all the bets.

Best,