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Dear Jim,

Loving Bud Fensterwald is one thing but indiscriminate adoption of his worst assassination vice is something else entirely.*

That is what you (again) did in telling me that the LaFontaine article to appear in Sunday's Outlook section is "important."

Based on what you said I looked forward to it. With great disappointment from the headline that grew the farther I got into it.

I've written a lengthy commentary on it. I found nothing good to say about it.

I did what apparently nobody else did, including the Post. Which makes me think they used it on someone's recommendation. Was it yours?

Assuming that Elrod is a dependable source, which I do not, and assuming that it is responsible journalism to go on a single source, which I also do not and in general the Post also does not, what the LaFontaines say he said and meant is not that at all. I have and I checked the records, more than the one they cite. I think six.

Lil is going to try to retype it for me. I do not know what I'll do with it but as a courtesy I'll send one to Outlook.

Between you little boys who actually believe you are going to solve the crime with your assorted theories and the media which publishes crap only the people and the subject get more and more confused and less and less can be understood by those who make the effort. Which appears not to include those ^{of the} conspiracy theory industry.

That the Post went for this and then gave it such exceptional space is a real surprise!

I suppose it means that Gardner is on his usual August vacation. He had six months off to do his book. This is his seventh.

I'd like to know whatever you know that is behind this atrocity and its being published, of all papers, by the Post.

I hope your eye continues to make the progress started.

If you had anything to do with this when you had only one eye you could use, my what you could have been capable of if you could have used both!

* The Bud vice I refer to above is believing that anything that can be interpreted as hurting or embarrassing the government in any assassination is a good thing no matter how bad it is. Or wrong.

Best,

Harold