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Yes, ~~km~~ my copy of "Farewell America" indirectly came from Skolnick. He claims book is not available from any other source and that G stops its importation. Skolnick gets \$8 a copy.

Comment from my source: Skolnick now frequently attacks CIA which is a safe thing to do, ~~ex~~ especially if the information ~~dx~~ dispensed by him is ~~imx~~ incorrect. -- You know the Russian proverb "The oxen spoke to the painting ... but the painting did not reply."

Enclosed (for eventual return) should give you an idea of his current activities.

Do you have or want WHO's WHO IN CIA?

Best,

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2/19/20

Dear Ed,

With a blizzard blowing, 20-24" snow where it hasn't drifted, 50' of lane between me and the highway that hasn't been plowed yet, my neighbor who clears my lane unable to start his aging tractor, current off within 20 miles of here and scaring us with an occasional long flicker, my thumb vack in splits, believe me, there is no medicine as good for the failing spirits as the PURE SHERMAN H. SKOLNICK!

Now, at long last, I know why peace is popular: the CIA's secret agents are behind it, the FBI is protecting the CIA's agents from "militants" (these the guys against peace?), Rennie Davis is really this generation's James Bond, and all that jazz about the committees of Congress investigating the Institute for Policy Studies is merely more "deep cover". You know, until Sherman put the real poop in court, all the time I thought it was "deep cover" or "deep" cover. Now I know.

By the way, when you next can't avoid him, please don't forget to tell this invincible investigator, who also teaches it (no doubt account for the character of some), that he slipped up on that nasty ol' IPS-CIA front. Not only are the UnAmericans after them, but they have phone taps, bank-record raids and all sort of new FBI "deep cover" for their own. Jess, I never know those guys were CIA too. And I even know some of them, like the CIA fink the FBI planted in Barry Goldwater, a stooge going by the name of Karl Hess. I mean, if he is IPS and he was BG, could it not with less reason that Skolnick finds necessary in his briefs be believed that Goldwater, all that secret time, was really CIA, too. I mean, how deep can cover get before a Skolnick comes along to mine the truth.

He is a dauntless man of loftiest principle. At last Julius Hoffman has the ideal defender (coops-almost said defendant!). Part I couldn't understand, which is to say the part that says Hoffman really did take \$300,000 in graft, the proof was leaked to Skolnick, Skolnick says this stuff is authentic, so he thinks Hoffman is great and he won't use that proof in court because two other judges are baddies. My trouble is, after reading Skolnick with some care coming, I think, to understand his penetrating mind (that is "deep", too), how, with this Skolnick logic that has the FBI protecting the Chicago 7, nee 8, rather than spying on them, witness their taking of an adjacent office, can any judge sitting on the same court of Hoffman not be a fine judge if Hoffman can knock off \$300,000 at a case and Skolnick has the proof and says Hoffman is great? If there is guilt by association, isn't it reasonable to have good by association, especially if graft is good?

I kinda like the part where it is proof that Rennie Davis is really CIA because he gets into Hanoi, and also an agent of the State Department because he brings back lists. (But doesn't that make him an agent of McCarthy, too? And with McCarthy dead, doesn't that mean that the real Rennie Davis is also dead, and that cat in his clothes is really Martin Dies, who also had to do with lists?)

What justice in this country has so long lacked we now have, a rational concept of evidence and proof. With Skolnick on the job, Orwell can rest in peace. And with his Committee (which is what he forgot and did call it) to Clean Up The Courts, boy will they be clean!

Each time I see something with his name on it, especially with court stamps, I find myself wondering why you good taxpayers don't appropriate more money for looneybins.

Although I doubt anyone would take the time and that if he said anything we'd ever know the reality, it would be nice if you knew a radio reporter who would interview him in depth ("deep?") on the background of Farewell America and the marvelous, non-CIA people with whom he deals on it. It may be that the book is not available from any other source. They'd all fear jail and fines and libel payments. He has given his unimaginative enemies the perfect means of doing something through his handling of that stuff. Thanks, I have Mader's imaginative Who's Who in the CIA. Sorry I didn't make it Ed. But be patient. Sherman will discover me. Best. HW