

Dear Jim,

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In today's heavy- and late-mail with your valuable mailing of the 29th were nothing but orders, aside from personal mail. The renewed interest is fantastic. And it comes after the anniversary. I've got about 10 orders today, one with a check in advance. Another day I ~~must~~ mailed twice this many +. Today I sent out 5, and I think that was the weeks slowest. With no advertising. And there is not one of these or any letter I can associate with the CIA meeting.

I've things I must do if my legs come back to normal, so before a late lunch a hasty note on your mailing.

The Gall is probably John, former chief counsel for the National Associations Mfrs either in the main NY office or in Washington or probably first as gen. counsel in NYC and then in private practise DC. I think in the late 30s he opened a private office in the Investment Bldg. So, Caddy connects very well all around. In fact, I think I saw his name in my recent and very rushed investigation (Tuesday's).

Think I'd best write Paul about Larsen. I'll carbon when I do.

Littauer Foundation: that it did CIA work is not new to me. What you have is in the detail and I think relevant to a suit, example, Latin American contributions by a middle-east foundation. One of the two sheets of reports was illegible, so illegible I could not make out the dates. From a rushed glance at the legible one, there seems to be a benefit of about \$15,000 to the foundation from handling money, yearly. In time and when it is time I'll go over this.

This foundation is in my files, those recently returned by JP. I spoke to you or Robert or both about getting him to stop the kid stuff and complete the index. We'll then have to arrange some filing system for this file. My hunch is chronological. They will be no other way of finding unless JP makes a filing system of his own.

Parenthetically, can you now a little better understand my exasperation when 3-4 years ago I anticipated the need for an index and he got an undependable to undertake it and then sat on returning the files? (I still don't know what he has of which I have no record, but I do know that files and books are missing.)

Littauer and Latin America do suggest Hunt. But that this Littauer Foundation connects with Kenneth, whose address Hunt used, is still not established. The checks I've had made on obits through the NYTimes index, by a friend who is not experienced in this kind of thing, ~~is~~ is not positive and to the degree definitive is negative. I have the work. Xeroxes. Small family so prospects need not be bad.

I do have a very large Hargis file. You should understand that Bringuer and Penabaz were close to Hargis, which makes any close connection interesting. I went into this in COUP. If you decide to read, I'll provide page numbers. You'll find facsimiles in the appendix. Penabaz was Hargis' official biographer and foreign-affairs editor. And a Batista boyo. Cubans again suggest Hunt. Small world.

I have not heard from Sherrill. The understanding with Rothschild was that if S was too busy or not interested, R would phone me and arrange to see me.

If it is important to connect Solveig and Bownfeld (I knew he was internal-security committee!), phone book and city directory. Unless you have to consult for other reasons, you are now too busy and it does not seem to be as important as other things.

The nuts' use of a meager version of the Ford stuff enable him to say it was all a teeny-weensie mistake. He thought it was declassified. The answer is he would not let go of the copyright on it, and if it was public he would not have had a copyright on that. Again the problem of those who rush into print for scant attention without knowing what in the hell they are into. And don't care as long as they see it in type, anywhere. This was in The Village Voice and Lane commercialized it on Jerry Williams, which you can be sure is monitored.

The prime interest of the man who is coming to see me is the Russell story. He is from Georgia. His paper was just bought by a chain. He has gone up through the chain-of-command on this. I don't know how long he'll be here, beginning Wednesday a.m. He does not fly, is coming by train, and it arrived DC at a time convenient for the bus but not for me to