

3/27/69

Dear Andy,

Thanks for your letter and the enclosures.

The Kohn piece is not dependable, often quite wrong. I'd misliad the copy of the Bernstein piece I had so I'm glad to have this one.

Be careful not to pin too much on the 11/22/63 Belmont to Tolson memo. That was the very day, midst all the tension and problems, is not first hand and is not confirmed.

The other one, which I'd forgotten, is important and is entirely consistent with all else we know.

Spring is no longer around the corner here (days, that is) although it gets below freezing nights. The crocuses have been out for a while, the narcissus are showing color, trees are budding, grass is greening and I worked outside in shirt-sleeves today. Making mulch before the brush kills the grass.

Don't worry about getting the wrong Henry. There is but one Shakespeare and I read all the Henry plays and forgot them all.

If you spot anything else in the documents I'd be interested. But do be cautious and have a second source.

Our best,

MARCH 19, 1980

Dear Harold and Lillian,

You were very kind and generous to me last weekend. Thankyou very much. It meant alot to me. I left your house Sunday night with a shopping bag full of books and documents and with my heart loaded with renewed enthusiasm and commitment. I was all aglow during the nãne hour drive to Connecticut and I didn't feel the least bit tired. And of course I went through those documents word by word before going to sleep. I compare the feeling to a fourteen-year old being in love.

It was hard getting back into the swing of things at the bureau.

I had to wade through a stack of telephone messages and I had a long hearing in Mansfield on a proposed amendment to the town plan of development providing a tax break for vacant land by assessing it at use value instead of market value. Most residents weren't too excited about the proposal because, as one man put it, there aren't too many people on welfare rolls who own 25 acres of open land.

I realize that the 112 documents I brought home with me barely scrapes the surface---one file cabinet out of 26---but I'm still impressed by the revelatory value of what I did get. The two that impressed me the most I made copies of and enclose with this letter. I enjoy the figure of speech, "tying Oswald in as the assailant." It suggests either hog tying or lynching, both of which they did.

It's interesting that a second bullet lodged in the President's body is introduced for the first time (to me anyway) in the second document. The Siber & O'Neill receipt of a missile removed by Humes shows the government lied about one bullet. This second document suggests they lied about a second also.

The only articles I've seen that were written about these FBI documents released in 1978 discuss either Ford's leaking to the Bureau or Else Hoover spying on commission members and critics alike. I'm going to take the rest of the stuff that hasn't been written about and do a series of articles for the Courant. I would discuss the additional evidence that the autopsy was falsified as well as evidence indicating cooperation between the Bureau and elements of the National news media to attack the critics.

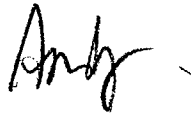
Well, I see Ted Kennedy took it on the chin again in Illinois, with the same to follow in N.Y. and Connecticut. The Chappaquidick albatross and terrible treatment by the news moguls have neutralized his attempt to unseat the Democratic Hoover. So it goes.

Spring is right around the corner in New England. I heard my first robin yesterday, and the sap has been running for three weeks now. As I drive down country roads I notice the rustic sight of pails hanging off the trunks of maples. And oh yes, deer tracks in the mud.

By the way, the Shakespeare quote, "let's kill all the lawyers," isn't from Henry IV part I. I misled you, which serves me right for trying to score points! The quote is found in King Henry VI, Act IV, scene 2, line 86. Hell, I didn't even have the right King Henry! I don't even know what the context of the quote is because I haven't read the Henry VI plays. Since Falstaff dies at the beginning of Henry V, I said why bother.

Thanks again for your generous hospitality. It was a thrill as well as being a tremendous help to me.

Love,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Andy".