

Dear Jim,

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I'm hoping that beginning about two hours ago McMillan had a time of it.

It came about this way: a reporter in Boston from whom I've never heard was asked to be a panelist on a TV interview, panel-show type, on which George is the guest. This is what I refer to in the letter to Jimmy I think you'll understand. This reporter caught me on the Lou Gordon show so he called me to prime himself.

If he does what he is supposed to, or rather did, he'll be asking George why when he had more than seven years and begins by presuming guilt he did not bother to file an FOIA suit for the suppressed King assassination evidence.

He said he liked that. He also like the rest. It was coming out of his ears by the time he finished making notes.

The problems are that a) with two other panelists he may be lucky to get more than three questions in and b) he may not be able to get a tape. I do not think he had enough time to ask anyone else to do it for him because he had to work his questions all out in a half hour, less if they use makeup.

But he did say he'd try.

At one point I said what turned out to be the right thing. He asked me what kind of guy McM is. I said the kind who marries women with money and lives off them- ask him how much writing and money-making there has been since he married Priscilla. I then said the first was a beautiful Greek girl who ... and he said "I'm Greek."

It is of more than passing interest that Jerry made no comment on the Gordon show and gave me the tape rather than sending it to Jimmy.

If I get a tape I'll get a dub to you. If you want you can then send it to Jimmy and I'll get another dub made for you if you want it.

If this guy gets three good questions in it will make Jimmy happy. In his unbalanced state I think it would mean as much to him as getting out.

I also made a broad hint to this guy about a McMillan-me confrontation. The station's format may preclude it if he makes the suggestion. But with the Boston airing of the ~~McMillan~~ Gordon show just maybe they'll offer and he'll, of course, decline. I'd then ask them to have me and lay it all out before their Harvard friends. If I hear from this guy again or if I get and hear the tape I may ask for fairness doctrine time. I won't need more than I have, if I can find the McMillan contract you copied for me. I gear I gave it to a reporter. Maybe not. But that and two or three of the FBI's Custis reports and maybe a couple of George's letters should have George and Priscilla not caring whether one or two lanterns hang in the belfry up there. Would I love it in Boston!

This was not one of my reasons for deciding to do the Gordon show when I knew it would take two days and sell no books. But maybe it will be a good thing. The station, by the way, was WBZ-TV.

If I'd known in time I'd have asked the girl who is doing her doctorate on the executive sessions to tape this for me. I sure would like to lay it on that pair! Where they live. But I do not like to ask for fairness time when I know nothing about the show. I'm sorry I did not think to ask this guy to call me after it was over. It may be a taped show, for weekend airing. I'll just have to wait and see if I hear anything. If this girl or ~~XXXX~~ Cutler (now p'doff at me) or an artist I know there hear it I'll hear. Best,