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Dear Sylvia,

Jones Harris phoned me a short while ago about Japanese, including the Newsweek story I do not recall (I told him how to get it if it was published) and the Japanese in the WDSU footage. I did not recall his name then, but he is J. Ehara, of Kasuga and Co. I have written Jones.

You have been unaware of it, but Garrison and I have barely been on speaking terms for years. This does not diminish my disbelief of the generality Jones gave me. He may have solid information. He did not give it to me. In the absence of it, I hold my own view. It is inconsistent with Jones'. The Garrison I think I know is incapable of that kind of role.

Jones also told me that Lattimer was selected by Marshall because of some peculiar Kennedy insanity. I am skeptical. I have, reluctantly, come to the conclusion that Marshall is ridden by conflicts he will not be able to reconcile. My views on this aspect or not only unchanged but fortified. There is no point in engaging in a dispute we can't resolve. I suggest, however, that this is the Marshall of the unique Chappaquidduck genius. With such friends.....

Jones' call, when I was too deeply immersed in other and personal problems, caught me by complete surprise. I haven't heard from him in years.

Hope the asthma you brought back from Fire Island has eased. I recall my sister's and Matt Herron's difficulties with it. Dallas closes up at 11 p.m. Matt and I drove around for hours one early a.m. seeking the special inhalant that gives him relief. I remember it with almost personal pain. We finally found an all-night drug store.

Best regards,