

2/11/77

Dear Phil,

Thanks for the clips you mailed 2/7 and for the thoughtfulness of the addressed envelope. I do get tired, I am getting more tired, and every little thoughtfulness is an appreciated help.

"Because your question is on a card you may not have a carbon. "What about 'arrest' at Howers'? Was it phoney or what?"

I realize you are talking about Wayne's sausage and eggs man. There is nothing in what I can tell you that deals with sausages and eggs simply because there is nothing within my knowledge that includes it. I can't say it is or is not so.

However, there was what I am not sure I can call a formal arrest. It may have been. What I can say without any equivocation is that a man was taken into custody, whether or not charged formally. I can also say that after a rather short period he was turned loose. The official reason, and again this is explicit, not guess, is that there was no reason to hold him.

What follows is my opinion: there was no reason to hold him.

Other than my opinion what I tell you is in official records I have obtained. It would take much time for me to find that particular one but I'm confident of my recollection.

I have obtained other records I've not yet had time to examine. If I spot anything further I'll make notes for you.

Some time ago you sent me a copy of a story by Kay Pittman Black headed "King Study Includes Memphis FBI File." It related to and was shortly after the announcing of the so-called Office Of Professional Responsibility "investigation" ordered by Levi, the same one of the clips you have just sent.

It was not a clear copy. I could not make a clear copy from it. When I was asked for a copy I loaned what you sent me and it has been lost. I'd appreciate it if you could send me another copy. It now has more importance to me (and maybe to you) than it did then, when I regarded it as a significant article.

Frankly, I am certain there are crossed fingers throughout that report which has not been released within the time reported.

Complicated as this whole thing may appear to be, it is much more complicated than that, with the complexities magnified by the whores and self-servers. Here I am not talking about Wayne but about those in Washington, mostly. Officials and the lanes. There has also been extensive lying I do not have time to go into. I know Wayne has been lied to because I am absolutely certain that Wayne would not lie to me.

The head on Kay's 2/2 story is "King Investigation Findings To Be Released This Week." We have reached the end of the next week without it happening.

I'm too tired to go into the story of the House Select Committee but as I friend I urge you not to write life insurance on it or Gonzalez or on Sprague.

Best regards,