

Dear Bill,

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Agreed on Ogilvie. Fine and very helpful person.

Great that Metsy was accepted for the PhD program.

And while I'm willing to do Arnold, there are some problems, Beginning with my hearing. I'd not hear an alarm clock if I had one! Telephone by my head and I do not hear it. Can't sleep with hearing aids in place so I hear nothing then. And shakey as Lil is on her feet when wide awake I hesitate to have her come and wake me. We've not been able to sleep together since the leg thrombosis because I must not sleep with my legs down and she must because of her hiatal hernia. I years ago raised the headboard of the bed by five inches as I now recall and that did and does give her relief. So, the question is how can I be scheduled when those shows are scheduled. Unless Arnold has a night, as some in the past had, when he has no guest. If that is so I could phone him after I'm up. If I knew in advance I'd try to get to sleep earlier to help because it takes me a while when I'm first up because of the time taken to follow doctors' orders. Usually at least a half hour. So, if he has such a night I could phone him when I'm ready. And it happened. not knowing that you had spoken to him, that I prepared to do a definitive Zapruder discussion, going back to what I, and I mean alone, brought to light in my first two books, of 1965 and 1966, that prove the Report was wrong, knowingly wrong, then going into some of the documentation ^{from} the beginning of NEVER AGAIN!, then the Russell stuff, including Cooper, because that includes the single-bullet fiction that is not a theory and because the Zapruder film and his testimony prove that was impossible. Of course I could read the relatively short passages of the book that quote Zapruder on the earlier shot that he saw through his telephoto lens and then the photographic proof in his film, which you may recall from Whitewash II, that the first shot was before Frame 202. End of Warren Report.

My abnormal interest is not selling books. It is informing people. I do have the books listed in standard sources and do no more to sell them because when they are gone they'll be gone and if they are not pushed they can last longer for those of the more serious interest. I do not refuse to sell them. I just do nothing to sell them.

Maryland public TV interviewed me for about an hour and a half on this yesterday for its Maryland Newsnight program. I've no lead when it will be edited and aired. Local show only. But they'll be cutting it to a couple of minutes and they may not find that easy. They'll give me a dupe of the entire interest. I'll give it to Hood.

I know WHAS has a clear channel. From time to time in the past, when

tuning for news at night,, looking for 78 in Chicago and 88 in New York, both CBS, all news and clear channel, I picked WHAS up between them, as I recall, about 85.

The Turleys know what side of the bread has the butter.

You asked what time I get up. That is a variable, depending on how I slept, how often I was up and awake, etc. Some time I go back to sleep if I feel tired and then I may sleep until about three. On the other hand, if the prostate and kidney problems do not wake me up and I sleep well, I can be up and about, as I was earlier this week, a little before 2 a.m. The kidney problem shifts the time it takes for fluid to go through my body and it is surprising how long after I've consumed liquid that it departs. The nephrologist believes I'll be on dialysis before the end of the year. Had some kind of kidney scan day before yesterday and I'll see that specialist again in about ten days.

It does not seem likely that Arnold will want to air this before you are here and we can discuss it further than. and he does have scheduled guests, so I can't just call him some night when I'm up early enough.

But I do think that beginning with the fact that the official evidence of a shot before it was possible from that window, known to the government, as I published the evidence from the official record, plus the new stuff about the deal not to investigate the crime, which has Johnson and Hoover, among others, talking about their agreement, which amounts to a decision not to investigate the crime, that Katzenbach memo, and then the unknown Russell/Cooper refusal to agree with that single-bullet fabrication, which is documented thoroughly, plus the dirty trick played on them to memory-hole their refusal, with a little more like that, should make the most exciting radio. And I've already put aside a set of these documents to read if there is the occasion once the film is made public. In addition to that, I regard and have said that paying the Zapruder a penny is unfair, particularly to Marina. The government went to court to keep her from selling the rifle, the attorney general issued an executive order 10/31/66 ordering that all considered by the Commission ^{become} because public property and be stored at the Archives, and they did not want to fight with Time/Life or AP but they took Michael's Paine's minox with gadgets and Ruth Paine's records and literature and odds and ends of Oswald's property. For which it paid Marina zilch. I understand she is working for minimum wage or not much more. She is now five times a grandmother.

I wish I could say that we could depend on my being up to present snuff one of the times I'm up go to the bathroom but too often I'm not.

Thanks and best,

Howell