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This is personal and FYI.

There is virtually no chance that Jerry Ray threatened Patterson and absolutely none that his exposure was because of any such threat. Patterson participated in his own exposure, at the last minute, as his lesser evil and to avoid being utterly alone and in a big mess.

I told Jerry that Patterson was a committee informer in 4/78, repeating it the next month, and gave the same warning to Carol Pepper, the sister, her husband Albert and to John. So it was no surprise to Jerry about 8/2/78. The stories were on O/S ff.

There is virtually no possibility of John Ray as a bank robber. He was so broke he could not pay a lawyer, thus Stoner, who helped the FBI put John away. There is no successful bank robber who goes to jail rather than spend a little of his loot to keep out of jail. His sister put up the money for a St. Louis lawyer named Hampe to file John's petition with the Supreme Court. It never reached the Supreme Court, although a copy in the last minute did reach the Solicitor General. And Webster was the judge, I understand.

I do not pretend that I am certain about how knowledge of the coming exposure of Patterson reached either the assassins or the FBI. I do know that there was more time than I would expect between the time it began and the time it happened for there to have been that much official delay in speaking to and preparing Patterson by either the committee or the FBI. This is why I'm inclined to suspect it may have been picked up on my phone. The one with whom I was then in contact was not at his home or office. He was on vacation at a remote point, remote from both home and office and from me.

What really happened is that Patterson beat up the woman who was living with him. He put her out or she decided to leave. By then, to her knowledge, Patterson even had videotapes of Lane. So she turned to Lane. But I don't think that anyone who knew Patterson was about to tell him the truth and endanger the woman. Lane gave Patterson his druthers. And there has to be a full report on the exposure in the St. Louis field office files, with some tapes, probably, because Lane staged an exposure of the N.Y. Times, with which the committee had already arranged with an exclusive leak of Patterson. Lane worked with John Auble. I think the station is KSD-TV. Auble aired a full half hour at one time and I think more on other occasions. Tony Marro was on camera when he walked in for his exclusive, which was supposedly to have been with Nicholas Horrock.

From the time Lane taped his interview with the woman until Patterson was wised up was a full week. It was on Lane's Venice, Ca., phone long before then. I just don't think anyone would risk waiting that long to tip Patterson of to knowledge by Lane, not Jerry. Lane's lust for attention and his permanent affair with the tube are too well known.

In a salvage effort, before Patterson knew what had happened, the leak to the Times was arranged. Patterson was in on that. When Lane laid it out to him and Patterson made his choice he told Lane of the deal with the Times and it was child's play for Lane to booby-trap the Times. With the Cointelproers laughing all the way to their file cabinets.

Whatever the truth may be the possibility of the coming exposure having ^{been} picked up from my phone is consistent with all that I know, including timing.

If there is no coming clean on all of this now and if the Court does not find for me I'll do what I have avoided doing in the King case, simply file new requests. I'm probably going to go into the post office and mail this to save a day.