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Dear Jeff,

Reur 25, if you decide to shorten and refocus the book, would not the previously un-
disclosed transcript suggest how to start it off? I remember the incident from the book.
Especially with it being withheld from the jury. Which also means the defense.

If there was anything on the wire on the Commercial Appeal Army intelligence story
of a week ago Sunday I'd appreciate a copy, as I would if the Times carried anything. I just
got, I think, that story today but have not had time to open the envelope.

Glad to have the Bugliosi story. ^{He} is either a liar or he spent those 500 hours
read ^{the} theory books.

What he says about the official evidence is not what it says and what he improvised
is likewise fictional.

As a lawyer he knows very well that the apprehension of the conspirators is not needed
to establish that there was a conspiracy.

He does not know crime or history if he says that conspiracies cannot be kept secret.

How many want to come forward and then hang?

If he were not intendedly ignorant he would know that there is the most solid evidence
that there was a conspiracy.

The simplest ~~proof~~ proof the Commission did publish. The best shots in the country, under
enormously improved conditions, could not duplicate the shooting attributed to the duffer,
Oswald, not in time and not in accuracy. With the artificial conditions ever so much
improved.

More mail await me. Thanks and our best,

I'm glad to get such stories for what I learn
from them and for archival purposes.

Harold
But omitted
from its
Report

Jeff Prugh

March 23, 1993

Dear Harold:

Many thanks for your enormously helpful comments concerning The List and for telling Richard Gallen about it.

Yes, I agree. The book can be streamlined -- and it needs an index. Chet and I pushed hard for one, but the publisher wouldn't spring for one.

From the outset, we wrestled with the obvious: that this isn't your typical murder case, wherein an author will focus on one suspect and on one or two victims. In Atlanta, we had not only 28 victims -- by the official count -- but a handful of stronger suspects than Wayne Williams (and were never arrested in these cases). On top of that, as you'll see in the book, many of these victims had interpersonal and geographic relationships that the authorities missed or ignored.

What will strengthen a re-released version, we think, is that now we have the full transcript (or what purports to be) of the GBI's interview with a 19-year-old who describes for authorities the molestation and strangulation of Clifford Jones, age 12, in the back room of a coin-laundry. The suspect, Jamie Brooks, 29, was never arrested in this case (whereabouts today are unknown), nor were others in the room when Clifford died.

The foregoing was never heard by the Williams jury. Nor did the jury know that the 4-inch-thick investigative file of this boy's murder did not contain the name of Wayne Williams, who stands officially blamed for this murder and 23 others!

I'll scan the wires next week to see if AP gave your work in the King case the recognition it deserves -- and will let you know what I learn.

All best to you and Lil...and many thanks again,