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10/15/75

Mr. Bob Regan
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Dear Bob:

Brief thanks.

In the morning (10/15) I am to be hospitalized for treatment for phlebitis.

POST MORTEM is in manufacture, the work is stacked up already, and when I get home it will be worse. Much more accumulation. If you ever find out anything more about the Boggs thing, it will always interest me.

Clippings: Sometimes I get them, sometimes I don't, from the Times; never from the Post or Daily News.

Boggs son clipping fascinating.

Our best,

Harold Weisberg

Oct. 8

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Dear Harold & Lil (Lil & Harold?)

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I am sorry I didn't write sooner, but was having the ~~same~~ devil's own time trying to get the date of that hypnotism clip I ~~showed~~ showed you back in September. I can't find my first (and properly dated) copy now, ^{but} ~~because~~ procastination permitting, I will keep after it and let you know whenandif.

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I enjoyed that afternoon and evening we spent together and am looking (a) forward to another with chocolate chicken, and (b) the first opportunity I can get to ~~make~~ arrange another trip to the Wash D.c. area.

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I finally got ~~my~~ together a pair of copies of that China aluminum sale story, which ~~m~~ together with a xerox (it should be spelled zerocks?) of the hypnotist story. The interesting things about the China sales were:

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First off, Eastalco is now a 50-50 partnership of Howmet Corp. and Amax, Inc., as is Intalco of Bellingham, Washington. (The Eastalco partnership requires only a formality or two before being made official.)

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The China sale in question ^{involved aluminum} ~~was a sale of aluminum~~ from Howmet's share of Intalco output and is believed to be a total of 16,500 tons now.

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There is nothing illegal about selling aluminum to the Chinese Reds. Aluminum was decontrolled years ago and sales larger than Howmet's have been made same time ~~as~~ as Howmet's by Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Corp. and Alcan of Montreal.

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The interesting thing is that the U.S. aluminum companies, including Kaiser and Howmet, ~~had~~ boosted their prices to domestic customers (to 41¢ from 39¢ a pound ~~from 39¢ to 41¢~~ on primary ingot, which is what they sold the Chinese) early in August but the ~~Chinese~~ ^{Chinese} sales were made ~~and were well~~ well below the 39¢ tag so, ~~while~~ while the traffic may be good for "world relations" it probably has not sat ^{so} ~~as~~ well with U.S. buyers paying the higher price.

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Another interesting thing: Pechiney Ugine Kuhlmann, France's largest aluminum ~~producer~~ producer and a big chemical ~~and~~ and nuclear outfit, in August increased its holdings in Howmet from 70 percent to 100%. The Chinese sales by Howmet ~~was~~ were booked after the full takeover by ~~Intsel~~ Intsel Corp., a New York-based wholly-owned sales arm of Pechiney and sales agent for Howmet as well on the ex-U.S. market. I learned that Intsel had put up the idea of selling to the Chinese Reds to former ~~Howmet~~ Howmet management before the full Pechiney takeover and ~~that~~ that the former Howmet management turned it down cold.

Howmet's former president, Jean ~~de~~ L. Loyer, resigned after the takeover, ~~which~~ I believe because he did not think Pechiney should increase their interest from 70% to ~~100%~~ 100%.

0" A move like that eliminates the need for independent management, which Loyer had been charged with as president of a company with 30% u.s. stockholders, so I can't say ~~that~~ at all that the Chinese sale had anything to do with his demise. I do know that he had nixed the earlier proposals, though.

1" But enough of this. How are you two and what do you make of the Robert Kennedy findings out in Los Angeles? I couldn't make much out of the NYTimes story so I am trying to get a copy of the LATimes as well. It ~~looks~~ looks to me as though they have arrived at the same conclusion I have -- that is that there was not a second "gun" -- for different reasons. Do you ~~think~~ (drat) think that this, plus their inability to say where some three of the bullet came from promotes my theory that the second weapon wasn't a gun, but a "pen" like ~~the~~ those used ~~by~~ by the SS, the Japanese, the OSS and the CIA all these ~~years~~ years? I saw a Japanese version once back in 1945 and these things fire small caliber ~~projectiles~~ projectiles and don't leave much of any rifling marks on the bullets either. Also, as these bullets have to travel only a short distance, they can be fractured before firing.

2" ~~The~~ The NYTimes of late has taken to calling Oswald "the former marine rifleman" in stories about those non-existent letters of his supposedly threatening to blow up the ~~Dallas~~ Dallas police station, etc. These stories are rebuilding Oswald's image in the mind of uninformed John Q. Public as a lone assassin -- "how could he ^{be} ~~have~~ sending such ~~letters~~ letters to the FBI if he was part of such a sophisticated ~~conspiracy~~ conspiracy like they say he was?"

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Do you need any help, clips, etc? from New York? I type
a lot better than this when I have to and when timepermits, and
I do have some ~~time~~ time for leg work, etc.

Take care of yourself/selves and drop a line or a cal when
you can.

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B.b

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PS

AS SOON AS I GET MY
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SEND YOU THE ONE
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Harold -- as for the attached, it is dated Jan. 30, 1975, so I managed to get at least one right. what I forgot to do was mark each clip according to which addition, but my best recollection is that the Boggs story was in the earlier additions of the NYTimes for Jan. 31, 1975.

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Also, I spoke again to my acquaintance who ~~XXXXXX~~ knew a bit more about the Boggs Files Affair and his position now seems to be that what he said previously was that it was safe to ~~XXX~~ assume that you were included among the luminaries in the ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ boggs-fbi dossiers. I am sure he seemed to me a bit more definite than that, but maybe it was bravado. At any rate, you are the biggest burr under somebody's saddle and it looks to me a bit strange that Boggs the Elder would try to do without a ~~XXX~~ dossier on yourself.

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Re the story earlier this year on the spectographic ~~XXXX~~ analysis on the JFK bullets: I am moving slowly (procrastination is the thief of ~~in~~ time and the bane of spellers) but ~~XXXX~~ have learned that the Boston Globe story was in May and was carried by the NY Post, so shouldn't take up too much more time to find it, I hope.

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