

Dear Howard,

2/10/73

Your letter of 2/7, enclosing an abundance, the the copy of Windchy's Tonkin Gulf both came today. Thanks. I've skimmed and separated the enclosures.

There was a short, undated note on the Inquirer's long story on the top secret Pentagonian "Codename Jason", by the Institute for Defense Analysis. You did not enclose it. I imagine both the Whites and I would welcome a copy. The involvement of Mr. Luis Alvarez makes a special kind of sense. That is also where Dick Whalen works or worked until he went to work for Nixon. By the way, be alert to another called "King Alfred". It is a racist one of which I know verbally only.

Congratulations on your 4.0 last semester. Very good!

If I'm sorry you wasted the time, at least you now told I told it to you as it is about Harry Sion. If he'd had his way, they'd have published WW in 1965. He was honest with me and I remember him well. I can describe his 42nd St office still, and I was there but once. Other communications by phone and letter. He liked and recommended WW strongly.

Lippincott in Phila. makes sense. I dealt with them through their NY office, which provided more opportunities for policy negatives, what I got.

WG clips: check. I'm not getting the NYTimes regularly now, only when I have reason to expect it will have something. There is now an additional reason: Lil is getting to her office so early these days I pass the newsstand before the Times is even scheduled to get here, as too often it doesn't at all. I never see the Saturday, almost never (I can if Lil has shipping to do), and I never see the Sunday (ditto for the Whites).

Cooking: Lil smiled when I read it to her.

On the declassification of the 11/1/66 medical statement, I don't see any purpose in your paying the Archives more than you can copy it for, and I may have a second copy, if you read my letter (as yet unanswered) with care. I think it better to have them in a continuing violation of their own regulations, and we have yet to figure out why they classified, why they declassified, why they fed to me only, etc. A record of steadfast violation is good to have for court purposes, so why help them out of it? If you are real anxious, I'll send you the copy I have. I didn't think you'd want to take time now. Tell me and I'll send promptly. I have had a blanket request that covers this since 1966, early, and you may remember some uptight correspondence of an earlier day. I do remember asking you to ask for it. ~~XXXXXX~~ I should have had it without the added request anyway.

Jerry Ray-Thunderbolt: He has been living with Stoner. He was supposed to leave about January. I haven't heard from him. He is anti-Semitic. I'll be writing him about this when I hear where he is. Haven't heard from any of them for a while. Aside from the irrelevant racism, what he says is accurate. The editorial box at the bottom isn't. The truth is even worse than that, however. James had reason to fear an attack and he wants to get some exercise. No connection with habeas corpus. The stories about trying to frame Jerry and setting John up and the attack on John are not exaggerated. In Jerry's case I think they were merely leaning on him. When they want he is tailor-made, as I've known since before I was in touch with him. They want him out, so he is out. Stoner gave the feds an unanticipated bonus. His "defense" of John was so utterly incompetent he enabled the making of one of the more repressive decisions yet, an evil precedent ideally suited for use and misuse in political more than criminal cases.

Forrestal Diary: I don't remember the details now, but I think he confirms the buying of the Italian election of about 1948. I remember reporting the electoral steal, radio, and that ended, except for a special job on the election of HST, before 11/48. That part would interest me. See if you can find another, please.

11/1/66 again: there is no such things as a "report". It is, instead, a mere inventory, and an incomplete one, with an incomplete introduction. It will be necessary to compare with the panel's, as I haven't yet, but your examination needn't await that.

The Glaser-Stephenson piece is very interesting. They may do more. This was fed to them or they decided to do some work on it. If they did their own work, they should have gotten more than they used or leads to more. I tried to get the Post to look this way but Woodward said they couldn't even locate Max Wilkinson. That he was Hunt's agent is not the whole story. Thanks for everything, and our best.