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Dear Dave, *Next*

After more letters from strangers saying that all the theories and books that contradict each other and continuing references to those tramps as though they had any relevance I used a few moments to write the enclosed to Rose.

Who besides having the responsibilities of an editor and publisher is a college professor.

And on such a subject he prints as though it has relevance what he has ^{shown} not and cannot show has any relevance at all.

Can you imagine what the consequences would have been if I had not made it impossible for Garrison to charge Edgar & Eugene Bradley with being a Grassy Knoll assassin based only on those pictures in which he was pretendedly "identified"?

There are some details of which I do not know but this all began when with the best of intentions Dick Sprague gathered all the pictures he did - at my suggestion, and I began by giving him names and addresses. It was when he took these to Garrison that the mythologies began, with Bradley "identified". Mark Lane even set out to prove it was Bradley and he travelled to refute what Bradley, not a nice guy at all, said in refutation of the allegation. I am not now sure but I think it was Garrison who came up with that "paymaster" nonsense. I know it was Sprague who referred to the short one as "French" based on his belief that his clothes had a French cut. And also referred to him as Lyndon Johnson's farm manager.

Over the years this may have been the greatest of the disinformations that confuse and mislead the people. Whole books have been based on it. One more is coming, based on a long article "The Fourth Tramp." The book is "Oswald Talked," by the LaFontaine's, Pelican Press.

It is simply beyond belief to me than a rational man can ~~write~~ write as DeGries did two years or more after the arrest records were public and a rational editor can publish this kind of stuff, and then in condemnation of another.

And in all these years no effort was made by any of those who seek to give themselves some importance with this terrible rot without ever ~~we~~ even pretending that there is or can be any relevance.

And like Rose take this kind of really stupid and ignorant propaganda to the people as the truth, to people who believe what they read and trust those who publish it.

Best,

Harold