

Dear Karen,

11/25/74

Thanks for accepting me as a peer although I'm probably older than your dad!

Your account of your first effort to take the truth to people sounds great! Good for you!

There has been considerable reaction to the appearance of the new book, so I'll be responding between calls ^{from} (probably mostly FM) radio stations and papers.

Your ref to the bibliography makes me believe it is the work of a great guy, Dave Wrone, history prof., ~~Wisc~~ Univ. Wisc. Stevens Point. It is faulted in some ways, as could be expected by a first work, but has much good in it.

Please try to understand my natural bluntness, more necessary because of time pressures.

The CIA was never better than a negative and for months has been for all practical purposes dead, a benefit to us all. It began as an abortion, has done nothing credible and would, were spending time with it be only a waste of that time, be a blessing. You get no answer if you are lucky. It was, with a single exception, Jim Mesar, composed of nuts and attracted in defiance of the laws of physics the like, not the unlike.

"The Bastard Bullet" was by Ray Marcus. His home address is 1249 Hi^Point St., Los Angeles, Ca. 90035. Used to be \$3.00.

"Accessories After the Fact" is a truly fine work by a towering intellect and a magnificent writer, Sylvia Meagher (Mahr). It is out of print. If you ever come here you can xerox it. Currently the local charge is 10¢ a page and you can get two pages in one xerox. It would still cost about \$20.00. Perhaps you can do it cheaper at a library? But no copies are available commercially. Only by fluke.

Except as part of a collection none of the other books are important.

Please don't subscribe to Penn Jones' paper. Last Friday I heard he had lost it but if this isn't true the stuff is nonsense at its best. He is a great human being but became paranoid and never was really responsible on this subject. I have his books, which are reprints of his editorials, and you can have the same access. However, he may still have copies of the Zapruder and perhaps other films. A letter to him at Midlothian, Tx. is enough address.

I haven't followed the Cooper thing, have no reason to credit it, and have seen nothing solid in the Tatler, which I presume was your source. My perhaps not inpersonal view is that were Cooper really serious and engaged in this work for all that time, with all the time I spent in New Orleans, only two hours away, I'd have heard from him. Never.

You are great! Keep it up! But not at the cost of your school work. Take the long view and the better your education the more you'll be able to do.

Best regards,

11/21/74

Dear Harold,

I gave my first lecture on the JFK assassination yesterday, and I have to admit that it went pretty well. In fact, I really enjoyed it. Originally I was only supposed to lecture to one history class, but word got around and I ended up speaking to an assembly of all the senior-high students. When I explained that it would be hard for me to give a really convincing lecture and touch on most of the important points in a 50 minute class period, I was told not to worry about any time limit because the students would be excused from classes for as long as the lecture lasted. As a result, I ended up talking for about 1 1/2 hours and then answered questions for about 1/2 hour. Now I've been asked to come back after Christmas vacation to speak to some of the political science classes not only about the assassination but also about the campaign tactics & political rhetoric of the 1960 election.

Well, I really didn't write just to tell you what's been happening to me lately, but to ask you a couple questions. I hate to bother you with trivial questions, especially when you're so busy with the Ray case, but you're the only person I know who is involved enough in the assassination investigations to maybe have the answers. Having only gotten into this thing about 2 years ago, I'm still a "novice" trying to accumulate as much knowledge & information as I can. I came across a bibliography on the JFK assassination - in fact Jim Hesar is given credit as having provided much of the information for the bibliography. Anyway, for

the past few months I've been writing to ~~many~~ ^{many} publishing houses + distributors which are supposed to have most of the "major" works done on the assassination. I've run into some problems though because almost all the books I asked about are out of print. Not only that, many of the places I write to just never answered. I figured ^{that} since you have access to more information than I do, you might be able to give me some "leads" as to where I can get these books. The thing I really want to get is the right address to the Committee to Investigate Assassinations. From 2 different people I've got 2 addresses. I wrote to both addresses + never got a reply. Does this Committee still exist + if so, how can I get in touch with it? ^{also} There are many books I want to get, but the 2 main ones are these:

"The Bastard Bullet: A search for legitimacy for Commission Exhibit 399" by Raymond Marcus

"Accessories After the Fact: The Warren Commission, The Authorities, + The Report" by Sylvia Meagher

I haven't had any success in getting these books so if you have any ideas how I can get them I'd love to hear them.

Do you have ^{an address I can} ~~use~~ use to get a subscription to Penn Jones' "Midlothian Mirror"?

Do you know of any way I can get

any other assassination films/photos - O.O.
Nix etc. ?

I'd really appreciate any help you can give me in tracking down those books etc. Last but not least, what do you know about the death of William H. (Jol) Cooper. All I can find is that he was a Baton Rouge cop who had been involved in an investigation of JFK's assassination for the past ten years. I have heard through very unreliable sources - namely, scandal papers - that he was murdered in October, after having found evidence linking the assassination to Naval Intelligence. I know better than to believe what I read in those papers so I thought I'd ask you if you knew anything about Coopers work and his supposed murder.

Well, I've already imposed on your time too much. It's just that there's so much to know + I have so many questions, that I tend to get carried away. Thanks for anything you can do.

Best regards,
Karen