

1/8/69

Dear Gary,

Your 1/8 arrived, with enclosed list. Will watch for and do as you ask with it, also sending copies to Paul. If am not here, Lil will.

Penn: best let him cool. I have spoken to, written.

Newcomb: some of that stuff started with me 11 months ago. He is a good but yellow guy and allowed Lifton to intimidate re: me. I asked for that stuff and haven't yet gotten. Some has been published "Probe". Thus far he has missed the lines and their significance, the extra person.

Re: Bud. He knows my position, in enough detail. I have spared him the rest. Were it not for the many other things, he should realize it is asking too much to associate and then in a subordinate position with those who steal from me regularly. He can have Turner. I will not. He is not in a position to have my stuff published, but if I find out he gets there and doesn't do it, then I'll not cooperate with him at all. That cooperation-for-everybody's- best coin has two sides. When he adds up what he had, what he has gotten from others and can, he still has nothing. They just are not competent, and he hasn't yet done anything of significance on his own. So, he can have a committee and they can contemplate their own and each other's navels. And I'll have unpublished books. If we were to ignore everything else, how can we pretend the reflection of Turner's judgement is not to be considered? Otherwise you are right.

Some time ago Bud told me Bolden and his lawyer are both strange ones. I have written him without response. I have his Bolden files. There is nothing of any real consequence in it unless a more thorough analysis reveals more reason to question the bona fides of the officials. There is little to choose between Turner and Lane. Both are proficient in misrepresentation. I will not now have time to look into this.

Again on Bud: it is two ways. He has not been of significant help, aside from the extra fare for the Nov. trip to N.O. He had promised that for December and didn't, so I had to ask Vince. I'm too used to being broke and without the necessary means to be successfully blackmailed. It's like the bitter cold. You finally get numb. He will not have me and Turner, and were he to get rid of Turner, which I doubt, he'll still have problems. One does berate the chickens for protesting the foxes at the hen house. If we get past this, which I also doubt, there will be other questions about which I have said nothing, for there now is no point. Besides, as you will see, the little things I will ask him for he will do, for he would rather than not get to see the big things I can show him - and have. If he had any facilities at all and does not offer to help with what I have been doing and am about to do in N.O., I'll have nothing to do with him anyway. e knows what it has cost me and what it has done. His organization will never do as much. Without it all would now be over.

Hope you find some of the enclosures entertaining and stimulating.

Sincerely,

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Dear Harold,

The Midlothian Mirror of this week contains an expected but unfortunate piece about Boxley. I got Vince to recall Penn Jones after they had one abortive phone call. Box did the expected and ran straight to Penn claiming mistreatment and not having been allowed to tell his story, Vince's wild accusations, etc. Penn sounded somewhat calmed down and then I got Vince to write him a letter, but he needs to see some of the stuff on Boxley and Turner.

Enclosed is a copy of my letter to Eckhoff. This order will take some time. Check the stuff off as it comes. Some of it may not be of real interest to you but is background for a memo I would like to do on Paines and DeMohrenschildt's. A few are nut reports that intrigued me. Please make me copies on that 3 M paper or send me the originals when you are done. I want copies that I can make good copies from if the need arises--or slides for that matter.

Fred Newcomb sent me his stuff and it is really excellent. Bud returned the documents he borrowed. He is quite anxious to get you to join but wouldn't weaken in regard to Turner. I am suspicious of him, largely because of his attitude towards Turner. I am doing a bit of checking on him now. I have decided to join his committee, if for no other reason, to keep an eye on him. You and Vince are the only pro-Garrison critics which have refused. Sylvia, Lifton, and Sue Fitch have refused. Ray Marcus probably won't join.

I am overwhelmed with work and haven't been able to catch Patsy home yet, although I will keep trying. I have to register for classes, buy some food, put my

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stuff away, file some things, type the memos I promised, etc. I have a big and important paper due on the 20th which I haven't yet begun and yet have to go away the weekend before for a big appearance in Worthington. This Friday I will speak here. I may, therefore, be somewhat slow with the correspondence and also the memos I promised.

Important: If you can, find out what they have on Bolden. Lane never mentioned anything to me about Bolden telling him what Turner alleges in his article (Oswald saying that Ruby hired him) and Galt disconfirms it, adding that Bolden was angry about it. Bud, who is a friend of Bolden's lawyer, spoke with Bolden and said that Bolden confirmed it. Since Turner has had no contact with Bolden, if this info didn't come from Lane or some other source, then Turner is obviously lying. But, then it would seem likely that Fensterwald is too. This is crucial because he uses it to defend Turner. I tried to probe about Bolden's lawyer and why his appeals always fall short in a case where he would seem to be in an excellent position to appeal. It is interesting that Bud is a friend of his lawyer. Something is very wrong here, but we will have to be cautious about it. If Bud is on the other side that is no reason not to work with him--in fact, quite the contrary. But we should try to find out whose side he's on. By the way, he sounded as though you can expect little help from him in the future unless you join the committee. He made it sound as though he could get your books published and edited if you joined, but not if you didn't.

Take care and give my regards to your wife.

Ray

P.S. I found my lost notes