

Dear Dave,

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Current Affair," one of the pseudo newsmagazine TV shows, has given much time and favorable attention to Lifton lately, I've not paid any attention to it. Someone phoned me while the first show was on the air and I saw some of it. There was at least one after it and from what I've heard he has been on other such shows. He has now gotten to the point where verbally he lies as he did in his book and in answer to a direct question he said that it is he who discovered the Sibert -O'Neill report. Years before he was ever to the Archives and long after it was public. I suspect he got it from Koch, to whom at the Archives I ~~directed~~ called attention to it and told him how to get it when he was there. Nothing we can do about such people and fabrications. *Summer 1966 early*

I have a good inside source on what the Dallas crazies are up to and it is not Kevin Walsh. Keep it to yourself. It is two Baltimore policemen who are nice guys to whom the craziest turn for help. They have also given me a copy of the press kit Bud's ^(R&Z) ~~files~~ turned out ^{and} a VCR of the press conference I've not looked at. One of these two has his master's in criminology and the two are working on a promising FOIA suit on which I am helping them. More as it develops. They'll not file it in D.C. One is away for a week and I expect the other, with his fiancée, a policewoman, to visit tomorrow and for him to take her to our local oriental restaurant that you may remember as Vietnamese. When they come up they follow my leads in my files and what they are getting and its potential is beginning to impress them.

We had a rather difficult time getting my malpractice appeal done but it is as of now, when the court is closed, in Annapolis. Sent it yesterday with overnight guaranteed because tomorrow is the last day. The extra cost for the 15 bound copies was \$20.00! But I should be safe on timeliness. In retrospect some omissions and some redundancy because not feeling up to it earlier I was late starting that work and Wil's typewriter was a real problem. Needs a part that had to be ordered - not available near here.

I wrote Jim several times about the problem Bud was making for himself with no word ^{for} him and no changes in what Bud was saying and did say after my cautions. My, if I'd had the money he wasted - no, did harm with - what + could have done!!!

Otherwise, nothing new. Don't know if my comments to old friends on the Middle East interest. Best to you all.

9/18 Policeman had to be in court but a buff who produces for TV, as I think I was told, was with him, named Gus. Gus had been to Dallas on the White business and had been to Bud's AARC on it. He says that Bud showed him a contract with Liver Stone for the rights to Ricky White's story and one with Bud under which Stone paid or will pay the Dallas "information" center \$80,000 to act as technical advisers/experts.

Gary Mack says he has spoken to the office of the Texas Attorney General, which had expressed an interest, and gave them the other side, that the story is false. He also says that the publicly unidentified man Ricky says told him he was a CIA contract agent along with his father/assassin and confirmed that his father was an assassin, Philip Dale Jordan, has filed suit against Fensterwald, his center or both. I have no details on the suit. He also says that the Midland oil richies who as the MATSU Corp gave Ricky \$100,000 plus a ~~size~~ salary ~~for~~ ^{for} 25% of what he gets have filed suit against the investigator Gary Shaw used or combined with, Joe West, over his theft of the so-called originals of the alleged cables to Roscoe White from the CIA for an amount in the millions. (He of course has no such money.) It gets more sordid all the time and much more irresponsible. And everyone who speaks to me asks how can Fensterwald, bright as he is, with all his experiance in life and as a successful lawyer get involved in such utter insanity. I tell them all that on this subject this is part for Bud's course, that he has a long record of going for the nuttiest of the nut stuff. But it turns out that the cautions I tried to give him via Jim were correct if he is being sued. And that may not be the only such litigation....Also heard Lifton was on Hard Copy, which + never see.

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