

November 25, 1974

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Dear Jim,

Have finished reading throughly White Wash IV and all the documents and footnotes and checked them against the court cases and other books out on the subject. All the cases and the arguments in Whitewash IV seem to culminate in this book. You are both to be congratulated on your endeavors. Please tell Harold that I really liked it. If anything can crack open the case this book ought to be able to do it. The contradictions between the solid factual material and the ~~cases~~ the apoloia stuff are simply too great and something will have to give somewhere. Its a top notch thing.

Reading through the book however brings to mind some of the things Harold has said previously about certain crises in JFK's presidency, Tiger to Ride etc. It seems to me that this material ought to be brought out to buttress the wider argument that the Whitewash series is making clear--viz fundamental reasons for the murder. Remindsme also of your Madison articles those years ago, they still hold true in basic outline do they not?

During the last week in December at the Chicago convention of American Historians there are 124 odd sessions being held, two are on the subject of government secrecy. One features James Rhoads speaking on the need for the government to keep some records closed to insure privacy ~~of~~^{for} individuals. I thought I might drop by and ask him a question about Whitewash IV.

I have been caught up recently in my work on the question of war and peace in society and have not got back to JFK secrecy etc but will be giving it an hour a day night for the next days. Jim did you know we used the National Guard over 400 times in the Nixon administration years? What else was used, spies, etc., is not clearly known as yet. We were really cracking up.

The kids enjoyed that Do Little book as they call it and want me to thank you. They think there is some relationship there between you having the books and Mae being a Doctor--the little boy is not clear on that- he is only 4 and $\frac{1}{2}$.

Be sure and turn off the lights when you aren't using them to help Gerald Ford whip this awful depression.

Regards to all

David