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Dear Scott,

Thanks for the cassettes and the clipping with your 3/12, here only today but in perfect condition when it got here. I did not notice when you mailed it. For the historical record, it is important to have the names and dates of publications added when eliminated in xeroxing.

I'll be as responsive as I can to your letter. You ask many questions! But the short answer is that there is no reason to even suspect that any of the deaths you mention was in any way unusual. Eddowes is or was older than I and I'll be 81 in a couple of weeks. Howard and Fensterwald did have heart attacks. And Eddowes book is trash. He is or was politically crazy about the JFK assassination and what he argued did not even make sense except from the super-paranoidal view.

I regret that all I know about Meagher's death is what others told me. No obit in the Wash Post. She was a brilliant woman. She let herself get fat when her husband died and for some reason she stayed that way. She always dressed in black. Last time I saw here was 11/73. Never had any picture of her.

To understand Posner's political mind, he referred to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., as a Communist. Meagher was liberal and that is not left except in sick minds. We have and have always had a liberal and a conservative party and they are both mainstream. Except to those who seek political advantage from political slurs. I never discussed politics with her and never knew her to describe herself as left. Except possibly by comparison with some of the crazies of the far right.

I understand that Penn Jones is not well and that this extends from time to time to his head. I have no idea what he had in mind in what he told Livingstone. On his part, Livingstone has me at one and the same time of both the left and the right. The things he and Posner wrote about me, neither checking, range from carefully and deliberately distorted to outright lies. I'm happy to say I've heard nothing from Livingstone. I can't read minds but Livingstone has serious emotional problems, has had them off and on for years from what he told me, and he was frustrated that he really had nothing at all for this High Rash 3. He wanted some of us to tell him what is not so and when we did not he decided that we conspired against him! Then, too, there are people who think they make more of themselves by making less of others. Livingstone credited sources that have no credibility at all. What they made up for him he just loved and wanting to believe it, believed it.

You mailed the package 3/15 and it took a week to get here. For that postage I think you could have sent it Priority, which guarantees delivery anywhere in the US within 2 days.

Farewell America was originally titled America Burns. Garrison suggested the new name. He went for it big. But it is crap and has almost nothing at all on the assassination while claiming to have had contact with the assassin ^{assassin} or ~~assins~~, I've forgotten which. The man who did the job was known as Lamarve. I met him once, spent some time with him. Smooth operator. Was in SDECS, the French CIA.

I can't take the time for a short biography and for years I refused to write one. But about the time Livingstone signalled ⁽¹⁹⁹²⁾ his craziness and what he would be publishing, I decided to write ~~Inside~~ Inside the JFK Assassination Industry, a record for history of the greed, exploitation and commercialization and the nuttiness. It begins with what you ask about but in detail, all that and more. In the sense of credentials for what is not taught in colleges and in the sense of telling young people all of life is a learning experience. I laid it aside several time and when I'd returned to it recently again laid it aside for other work. The first part, at some length, is what you ask me. At some point, while I doubt anyone will publish it, it will be retyped.

I don't know that Ferrie had any real role in the assassination. He was an extremist who had uttered threats against the President and I think he knew Oswald. The combination, I've believed, is what caused him to scream the day of the crime.

According to the Dallas police, the ~~the~~ slug removed from Walker's wall was 30 caliber, not from Oswald's gun. I've done no real work on that and won't.

I seem to grow a bit weaker steadily but I do not feel badly most of the time and never really badly. I am able to get a bit more sleep, although not enough, and I do work much and am able to. I guess for my age and for the life I've lead I'm lucky and do appreciate that.

On Garrison, I didn't quit him. And then I'd never joined him. It was about 11/68 that I got positive proof that he was making it up as he went. I was able to prevent something even crazier than his Shaw indictment and I did want that case to go to trial. We never came to blow, although I once thought his Sciambra would jump me, and he was ^{younger} younger and a good boxer. My work there was on Oswald. I did no work at all on Shaw. From the picture you sent he had failed terribly. I think I heard when he was in the hospital that he had cancer but cannot confirm that. Last I heard from Sciambra he did not know.

I do appreciate the kind things you said,

sincerely,

Harold
Harold Weisberg

3/12/94

Dear Mr. Weisberg,

Enclosed you will find 2 videocassettes plus numerous news clippings and obituaries plus a piece coinciding with last years 25th anniversary of the MLK assassination.

The programs on the videos are Recollections of JFK and a CBS Reports with Dan Rather, these shows were aired to coincide with last years 30th anniversary. The second cassette contains Frontline's Who was Oswald? aired by PBS and a local N.Y. talk show that was called JFK Junkies. These were shown around the 30th anniversary also. I hope you enjoy what I've sent as I felt that you would definitely be interested in these items.

Larry Howard appeared on the JFK Junkies show. He told of receiving various death threats. I was surprised to learn that he passed away last January 8. Can you give me any details regarding Howard's death? Was it natural or unnatural? I was also shocked to learn of the passing of Michael Eddowes. Do you know the details of his death? What is your opinion of his book "The Oswald File"? Would it be possible for you to elaborate on the circumstances surrounding the death of Bud Fensterwald in 1991. I have read about suspicion and mystery surrounding his passing. Could you tell me what you know regarding his death?

This request may sound bizarre, but I'm going to ask you anyway. Do you have any literature or news clippings of Sylvia Meagher's obituary? I want to add a news clipping of her obituary to my obituary file. If you have a news clipping of her obituary or any other articles with her picture I would greatly appreciate a copy as I am curious to see what Mrs. Meagher looked like. If not could you give me the date of her death so I can look for her obituary on microfilm at my library. All I know is that Mrs. Meagher died in 1988. Could you comment on Posner's statement that Mrs. Meagher was an "admitted leftist"?

This past January I had written a letter to Penn Jones requesting his opinions about what Livingstone had written about you and other members of the critical research community. I asked him because Livingstone's book says that Jones told him to print this information and that Jones also said that some of the critics are pretty terrible people and that one of the critics is a spy. I have yet to receive an answer from Jones and I don't think that I'll get one. I sent this letter to Jones return receipt requested, so I know that he did indeed receive it. I guess my questions were too sensitive for his intense paranoia.

Have you heard anything from Livingstone since "Killing the Truth" was published? Since you have had time to reflect on what Livingstone has written about you and the other critics, I was wondering what you feel motivated him to write the filth that he did.

I have recently read that "Farewell America" was written by Herve Lamarr of French intelligence. Do you believe this? If you do could you give me some brief details of what you know about Herve Lamarr.

This next is my most important request. I know this is asking alot, but would it be possible for you to write me a short biographical sketch of your life? I would like to know as much about your life that you would be willing to tell. This is because I idolize you and what you have acheived with your life. Could you or would you tell me about your life as a farmer, writer, investigator, JFK researcher and Senate editor. Would you detail

your involvement with the Garrison probe and the reasons why you left. I would greatly cherish anything or everything you would be willing to write about your remarkable life. I know this is asking alot and if you won't do it, I understand. If you'd be willing to do this for me it would be the most prized possession of my entire JFK collection.

Lastly, could you tell me what you think is David Ferrie's real role in the JFK assassination. Also do you feel that Oswald was the real sniper that fired at Gen. Walker? Is there any credible evidence to support Oswald firing at Gen. Walker?

I don't mean to disturb you or take up your time with lots of questions, it's just that you are the top authority on this topic and there is no one else to ask that knows as much as you do about the assassination.

How is the state of your health? I hope you are feeling well and I want you to know that my thoughts are always with you.

I hope you enjoy the videos and news clippings.

With respect and admiration,

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