

Dear Jim,

Re; Georgetown Club, etc. 4/2/74

In preparing to depose the Verbal Texas Tornado you may have missed yesterday's Anderson column, which begins with an item on Park interest in the Georgetown Club and in oil.

I have written Les Whitten about a short item toward the end of the column, Rohm & Haas, which was one of the more sensational of my World War II anti-Nazi exposes but I made no mention of Park, where he has missed the really important elements of the story.

Anderson reports that Tongsun Park, described as a patrician Korean businessman, "owns the posh Georgetown Club."

I see nothing in this to refute what I learned from Paul R.

It is my recollection that there is no Korean name "Park." The dictator was named Pak or perhaps Pac, but because the name was strange to Americans he anglicized it to Park. If this is correct, then it has to mean that Tongsun has to be his family.

In turn, this would confirm that it is his interest.

So, aside from what Paul reported about Park's property ownership, this Anderson column seems to indicate that his wealth and influence are much more extensive than we suspected.

With this information on wheeling and dealing in oil, another source of Paul's knowledge is suggested because his intelligence in that field is the best.

Whether or not the Parks are one interest, I believe this column enhances what we are onto.

If we had the investigative means, I think much more could be developed based on it.

This is not a hint. I do not believe that carrying this aspect further should be a priority item with us. At least not now.

Nor would I want to jeopardize what we are working on by risking any kind of leak, which could kill our chances of going further and prepare those who have no way of knowing to offset us.

From the space I think the column was edited by the Post.