

Ed, Thanks for Gottschalk's letter on Carlstead. It is informative in orthodox ways. It is fairly certain that C. is well off. In addition to his business and interest in two ~~MAINE~~ Holiday Inns (substantial interest), if he owns the six-or eight-storey bldg in which he is officed, it seems even less probable that anyone was buying into a deal for some motel property with \$10,000 in cash. If Gottschalk is right (as I presume he is) in saying that C joined the "best elements" of the Republican Party in bucking the machine in the 1960 election, it would be of minor interest to know if this put C to the right or the left of the hierarchy. What emerges is the picture of a well-established, well-reputed man, regardless of his own politics. Unless this is some kind of cover, and I see no reason to suspect that, does it seem likely that the \$10,000 would have been carried to him as part of a defense fund, the latest version, from one of the Cuban defendants, apparently?

Or, the better he looks, the murkier the mystery.

Ed, Hunt who had been through much in his spooking years, lost 14 lbs right after his wife was killed, was hardly long enough in Chicago to be seen shedding a tear, has been entirely unemotional about it, and suddenly was a happy, chipper man again as soon as his plea was accepted. Doesn't make sense. By the way, I was right about insurance policies, in the plural. He so described them when asked what he used for surety bond. They haven't been paid and he put them up.

Again thanks, and please keep both sharp eyes open. Best, HW 1.16.73