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8/31/72 Listening to radio news this a.m. I recalled the Lavelle story on which I was unclear in a note yesterday. The coverup charge was made by Otis Pike. Ebert issued a laughing statement, and I heard his voice, he pretended it was funny, in which he said, in effect, Oh, well, Pike was running for reelection and anything went then. The import of the whole thing was that his committee would do nothing. The story this morning that reminded me said that the Senate Military Affairs Committee would look into it. I presume the NYT had the Ebert and today's story. This is in case they do not because the Post did not carry the first. Haven't seen today's paper yet. H

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