

Dear Jim, I'm sorry I did not think to clip the Post's China earthquake stories for you. Originally I thought only of the terrible tragedy and great suffering. It has just dawned on me that there could be in these stories, which I've not had time to read, political and societal information you might want. Please let me know if you could use more and we can go over the old papers. We have no trash collection and I won't be taking them to the junkyard for a while. It will not be a real big deal for us, so please be frank. Meanwhile, one of us will at least skim the stories from now on, assuming unless you say otherwise that the AP B wire will not include what you do not have. I think that China's way of coping with this may be an interest for you. And it has just occurred that this was the situation with the Olympics. They've made a tired day for me today. A student who came up to do some work wanted to take the televacst in last night. We had been drinking port. We stayed up through the end and then a football game. By the time we went to bed we'd consumed a gallon of port. I was not drunk, he was, the reason for late bedding. But from the lack of sleep I'm tired...We have, as you have probably gathered, an exceptionally promising legal situation the utilization of which adds more work to the considerable amount the litigation requires. I do expect to undo some of the harm the "aderites have done with a bad case. There is the possibility of some help from them without this ias a quid pro quo, merely because of the sweeping language of the decision and what it enables for the first time. However, I'd be doing substantially the same thing in my own interest and to save the law...I guess some of the fatigue is delayed emotional reactions from Friday, when a noise developed in the left wheel on the Washington outskirts. The "repair" at high cost created a danger. They bent the drum and deformed the brake-lining and I had an edgy drive home, both hands locked to the wheel in case. And "il was uncomfortable from a minor gynecological job of which she had not told me in advance, so I had been worried for some hours over her silence. She'd OK. It had been sticky & hot with high polution so I guess it is the combo. I'm not used to being tired. Sorry about the dim-wittedness. Best, HW 8/1/76

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