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JDW, HR: If and when you get around to reading my newest blast at the Fensterwaldians you may be tempted to think it not worth the time. You may be right. But aside from the explicit objectives, which I do intend seriously, I have other hopes. One is that Bill, Bud's partner, who lies through his clenched teeth in what he wrote me, will now try to restrain Bud, something he had never done in the past except in my presence and under my immediate pressure. (While he is a nice guy personally and I'm sure a better lawyer than Bud, he is also as cheap with money. He wanted an old oak shed here that I would have burned. He said he'd tear it down. Part way finished he stopped and said to pay someone else to finish the job and he'd pay for it. Cost \$25 I've never gotten. On the way out he tore the hell out of fine sod by driving, foolishly, near a stream and getting stuck. I spent hours doing what I could to undo it but he made no restitution or offer of it.) He knows there is a conflict between Bud's CTIA and Ray's interest and much else we have discussed several times when he merely threw up his hands and said he'd tried but nothing moves Bud. And Bud put up the money for the firm. (The other initial partner quit quickly.) He did not make any factual response to anything. So, I have to find some explanation and whichever of the possibilities it may be, considering the potential of the future, as with Bud, I felt I had to make a written record. I have made this record, challenged denial, and will let the record rest there for now anyway. In any event, after this tinkle and the scare he had over what CBS might do and his visible fear of what he clearly expected in the Times and asked me in to discuss it and then backed off, I think Bud may be more willing to listen to Bill, who will know what to expect and despite his lawyer's letter to me knows Bud's vulnerability. I could haul him before the bar now. Ray could make charges (I'll not suggest or hint or anything like that.) Before this, before the Times piece and the CBS segment, Bill confessed his own concern to Jim. ...Of one thing there is no doubt: the present situation can't continue. Jim almost quit, although he is not quiet because he is responsible. I've never known him to be so mad and he rarely gets mad...Don't forget, I'm also looking ahead to a trial that Bud would throw if he tries it. Aside from what I stopped by not doing what he was supposed to at the evidentiary hearing Bud in effect threw that...While it may seem that I'm giving vent to anger (and in this case I am, but really over the outrageous treatment of Jim) I have much more in mind: the future as best I can see it. I may yet get out. I've wanted to since early 1971 but felt I couldn't....I know Schweiker has sounded off on Cuba again. I do not know that tomorrow's post will carry it. I do not refer to it in what I wrote him a little while ago. But I'd welcome copies of any stories. He is still lost (at best) and I'll wait and see if before it is over he'll do the obvious, which would mean he is really serious. Conyers says not...Don't be disturbed by my reference to tiredness. The weather has restricted my walking and I had to do it today and felt it was time to start pushing a little harder. The forecast is for near zero in the a.m. and when I take Lil to work I'll be dressed for it and will walk under cover. She did not work at her office today. While sitting and typing with legs up I've been picking up and am back to present normal. However, I do tire more easily and under no conditions I can avoid do I just stand still. It has always swollen the foot and leg....As so very slowly I catch up on three months of filing I get that much behind in reading, even clips. Best, HW 1/8/76