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Dear Steve:

While logging some clippings today I handled your excellent story in the July 5th Freep about the time inconsistency in Edgar Eugene Bradley's account of having arrived at El Paso by bus at 12:55 p.m. to see flags already flying at half-staff and to be told the President had been assassinated, whereas JFK had not been pronounced dead until 1 p.m. and this was not announced until 1:30 p.m.

I have to point out that although in Texas, El Paso is located so far to the west that because of its economic hinterland and communications situation it has for a long time used Mountain Standard Time. A late AAA map of Texas shows that it still does.

Therefore, if Bradley, in saying he arrived at El Paso at 12:55 p.m. is talking about Mountain Standard Time, that would be 1:55 p.m. CST in Dallas, or 25 minutes after the nationwide announcement of the President's death.

This assumes, of course, that Bradley actually went to El Paso that day and that on or about his time of arrival he remembered to set his watch back one hour to conform with Mountain Standard Time. And that he now remembers that he did. Perhaps you might want to check into this aspect.

This isn't, I must say, a very promising way to strike up an acquaintance. I regret I was not at home that day some months ago when Hal Verb brought you and several others of your group out to our house and you had a session with Mrs. White.

She remembers the encounter with much pleasure and joins me in wishing you all the best. I hope you'll let me know what, if anything, you find out about Mr. Bradley's precise spot in the time continuum.

Sincerely,

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