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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor
 Midlothian Mirror
 Dear Penn:

What a wonderful age of science we are living in! Take, for example, the computer; where would we be without it? This mechanical marvel is used to forecast election results and is used religiously (with complete faith) by our technicians working in the space program; it is regarded as an indispensable machine in many research centers in our best universities and that sacred organization known as the Internal Revenue Service places an uncommonly high regard on them in determining who owes

Uncle Sam how much. Why, the conservative farmers of Kansas have even applied that great mechanical brain to the exceedingly tough problem of "cattle feeding."

Computers, it should be noted, are also used by social research centers and criminal investigation bureaus—with amazing accuracy—I might add. But the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy, that gallant band of seven holy of holies known as the Warren Commission, couldn't be bothered by resorting to the use of that mechanical wizard.

Therefore, here and now, I challenge our servants in the halls of Congress to secure the aid of a computer* in helping to solve what has probably become the greatest American mystery

of all time—the cold-blooded murder of John F. Kennedy. Let's throw the Warren Report out the window (where it belongs with all the other rubbish) and feed all the facts of the assassination into a computer in an attempt to determine not the possibility but the probability of a conspiracy. These would be facts pertaining to Oswald's activities in Dallas and his strange connections with the rabid right, neo-fascist groups in New Orleans some two to six months prior to the assassination. These would also be facts pertaining to Jack Ruby and his peculiar connection with the neo-fascists of the anti-Castro vintage, and his uncommon (to say the least) association with certain members of the Dallas Police Department. Last but not least, these would be facts pertaining to the strange deaths of some thirty people somehow connected with the assassination—people who saw something or heard something they were not suppose to see or hear.

If we really have faith in computers then let's put that faith to a test. Even now, five years later, it is not TOO late. Strange, is it not, that the "brains" in Washington have never done this?

Yes, we can use computers to solve the mighty problems of cattle feeding but somehow I get the feeling that others have the feeling that John Kennedy's assassination never rated the use of that great mechanical marvel of the twentieth century. After all, he was only the President of the United States.

Yours sincerely,
Don Blaine,
Haysville, Kansas

*Those who object to this should have the computer applied to them.

THE EMPTY PEW

W. Jene Miller

1969 is upon us. Hang on to your dollars, we're off.

Two of many sources which will eat up your income are inflation and roads. There is no effective way to stop inflation all together, and top-notch economists agree that about three percent per year inflation will be our national average over the years. Just as electric current flowing through a wire necessarily creates a certain amount of electromagnetic static, so the growth of our economy entails some inflation. There will be many controls to keep it down, but none can eliminate it if we are to grow.

The road costs are going to be caused by a law passed in 1968. The big truckers got through a bill which prohibits states from limiting the size and weight of trucks on major highways. You will see more and more "tandem" trucks with one engine pulling two heavy vans. Engineers told the congressmen that such traffic could shorten the life of a highway by anything from 25 to 45 per cent. A lot of truck drivers will be put out of work. Naturally, the unions kept quiet about the decimation of their working forces. (Why?)

Another rise in the cost of living will be in homemaking. Most every American home pays for chef service. Americans are buying more and more prepared and packaged food rather than bulk ingredients. The cost of groceries is not the fault of stores. Consider the time involved in canning beans and corn, in dressing and cutting chickens, in cooking TV-dinners. The consumer pays for that service whether he hires a cook to do it in his home, or in some huge canning factory.

Credit will cost more. The "truth-in-lending" bill in most states was merely a ruse. Oklahomans voted to remove their constitutional protection against usury and turn the limit of credit charges over to lobby-dominated legislators (under the guise of truth in lending, of course). Savings accounts may be the only

salvation. Start making car and refrigerator payments to your own savings account, and then pay cash. Figure the total of all insurance, tag and other yearly payments and make monthly payments into a savings account to meet those expenses. You save the credit charges plus gain the interest on your money! Some stores will discourage cash business, others will give discounts for it.

Peace will depend on whether Nixon lives. Agnew is more available to the hawks. (The FBI knew the date, city and method by which JFK would be killed before it happened!)

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