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Dear Js,

Your postoffice out there is getting too damned careful. There is but a single stamp on your mailing of the 7th that I can use again. I took as hasty a glance as I could this a.m., noticed the request re Chile, put that and today's story in the envelope, and got to the other pressing things, some of which are enclosed. The Stoner stuff is cincredible to me. He points his own finger at himself. What hewas to have given me is numbers. I did not have time to think it and the other things through, so I dashed them off to get them all in tonight's outgoing mail....The I had to wait 2 1/2 hours for poor Lil. Part of the time I dozed sitting up in her offoce, part reading Frank, whose book is probably the most skilled crookedness I have ever seen. I've read about the first 10% besides skimming.

X Good God! what kind of shift does Jim work if he gets home after 7:15 a.m.?

Chile/Hanna: Think the Treas Sec waa Humphrey, and their bad history is bad in this country too,. Think centered Cleveland. I was on edges of investigation of them 1936-4. The Minas Gerais story rings true. Brazil is loaded with natural wealth. Now there is one thing we did "for" them this program should have had, and I can't remember the name after all these years. We ~~built~~ buily them a large modern steel plant in a remote area with poor transportation and not adjacent to the raw materials. Don't we Love 'em? And at the same time prove how incompetent they are, they can't even run their own business effeciently.

On the dub, I'll ask Karnow if he wants and I'd like to hear experts on the current VN thing because I think Nixon has found the square room's fifth corner and painted himself in again. My belief is that this is their proper reaction to our "negotiating position".

Pin: No, Lil fell in love with it immediately. There were several things, as I recall, and her face lit up at that. She is pooped tonight and about to retire at 9:15.

Fascinating bit of Martha on Kleindienst. I suspect even Mitchellll can't stomach him and Martha isn't bright enough to hide it. But Nixon needs the Goldwaterites.

X Called Lil to see the pertinent comment you added to the Trickery Diclery. She enjoyed, too. Thoughtful of you to merely tack it on because I can now have it pristine, with the marvelous Se Dick See Dick Run caption. Only that Generation of Peace stuff seems a bit strained.

Poor Lil has just realized, "You know, that letter from Stoner could have a sinister meaning." I had to show it to her, but I hoped it would not dawn on her, that the rest would obliterate...Informants: Not special unless I do a book. I think I've interested a black writer in doing Desire, subtitle, Revolt of the Black New Orleans Ghetto. He is coming this weekend, for the weekend....Files: My Lai. Either I have it filed under a different name or I've given it to a young friejd, Howard, to whom I gave my VN files going back to the early 60s, in the hope he'd do a doctorate thesis (book) with them. But if I find else - where, I'll send....ITT/Beard memo:Thing Eastland came forth and nobly took responsibility from St. Edgar's drooping shoulders....War crimes:I have the Russell stuff, hearings, etc., if you want and don t have.Bothing else on war crimes as such. Cuban exiles, much. Repression, parts on parts, should you need. Press file on specific treatments only. Once I had an extensive one and a complete file of In Fact, if you were then here. Someday I'll get to unpack what is still in the cellar. Those files go back to th 30s....Holles' Lincoln Club piece fascinating! But I'm still looking for the "checkers" Club list...Glad get dupe Cobb review to file under him as I have other under Frank....NYT Feltrinelli:I may yet write Sra. Minutemen claim to have done Wilkerson job Greenwich Village. I have claim from them, +.. Chavez/Shears:I havefiled under Informants...Thanks and best from both,

