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Dear Js,

The day began with my having to take Lil's y'Writer to the shop, which has recommended "preventive maintenance" when they insatll[ed]s on it and returned it simply refusing to print an "h". With an electric, that means there is nothing, no letter, no blank space. Then I got to read the government's memo on my spectro suit, on which there is an enclosure, and as I was stapling the pages of that together, our poor dog warden pulled in, outraged and asking for help. He was entitled to it and that took time. I think there may yet be a little furor over loose dogs where rabies is not unknown and there is an ordinance. It seems that in a clear violation where a woman was terrified about two dogs, both loose and both caught in traps, and where the owner pleaded guilty, there was not the fine prescribed in the ordinance and not even the warning to restrain, the requirement of the law. The things I get into! So, your return of the cassette and the large mailing (sans some stamps) both came, I've segregated the King clips for close-reading, what I do not have to return in another stack, and I have but have not read your letters, as I now shall.

On the Kissinger clip, I didn't know there is a Callender Field at N.O. Maybe it is what used to be known as "Lakefront". I am sending it to Larry marked for return if you want it returned. One of your paper clips came off in the mail, so there may be the possibility

If the names on the Wallace clip means nothing to me, and it doesn't, although that is the kind of thing that I want, it reminds me that a songbird repeated to me a song from a feebeebird that he heard in 1968 about interest in that flock.

Je's 16-Mix on Trapnell. Think he is just sick. The Oswald thing is so like so many manufactures of that name. Reporter friend also lost interest. Penn: undoubtedly from the CDs, which I have, a couple more pages than Penn's source, named Mary, who fed the stuff to Earl Goltz, who used it in Dallas whence it got wired. The whole quoted treatment is unfortunately typical of Penn, who knows there is no reason to believe it was even possible for LHO to have been in Florida except in Marines.

Your note on the VN girl with the missing hand and the get-well cards explains more than you realize. I now know that "fighting like hellcats" is the 70s equivalent of what in Hitler's day was called a "strategic withdrawal". (I never had trouble understanding that because I was one of two who posted them daily.)

I think you are unkind to the Turkish ambassador's wife. Don't you know that when in "some one does as the Romans do? Besides, here it is a crime to put a knife in the head. Except for pids and cias.

On the "French Connection" story marked return (no rush), I phoned intz yesterday, left a message, and Karnow called back this a.m. He is interested and is doing a long piece. From him I learned that there is peripheral deVosjoli involvement in the dope thing, that SDECE is pronounced S-dick'ih, that he has the transcript referred to, and I told him what he did not know and referred him to Lamia. SDECE uses smuggling to save the taxpayers money. Or, they have been supporting our habit.

I wish I'd read Jim's of the 16th before Karnow called. By the way, I was part of an investigation of the NICB in its anti-labor era. I'll get this and Stanford to his attention.

Graph on state news, i.e. "news", succinct and complete.

Headaches: I've been supposed to be on Miltown for years. Several doctors recommended switch to valium 5s. Lil is the headacher, and she's been supposed to be on them, and I got her to go back during tax season. She is transplanting some seedum, but I'll get her to read this when she comes back in. She'll probably pay more attention to you. Especially with all that technical references to hypothalamus and adrenals.

I wonder why Connie Cossack never took? After all, there was Communazi and Kamikaze. Marietta Tree was with Stevenson and Severehead (who, if I didn't say, has alienated his son, which is a pretty complete package for change). She, McAmara and many others then got into a farout substitute for religion thing the name of which I've forgotten but on which I have a file somers.

Your every ref to China is a new education. On the charm Americans find in Chinese,

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Herr Kinninger's gals Freitag go into this (enclosed).

I was not aware of the designed decentralization for defense. But it seems to make perfectly good long-range sense for simpler, non-defense reasons. Like the kind of lettuce we get from California. Or the ancient U.S. stupidity of making cars in Detroit to ship to Florida or Calif and increasing the Detroit capacity while leaving outlands untouched for so long.

Your ref to the common denominator of food: when Lil and I were first married we used to go into Chinese (and Greek) restaurants where we just pointed, and there was an Armenian one not too unlike. It tends to do as you say, even we we never did get to the squid or 1,000-year-old eggs.

Great Lep/blast furnaces: do you suppose there is an added residual benefit in that from it they ultimately learned how to make good-quality, low-volume steel? If this becomes a benefit? And did it extend to other materials productions? I recall pictures of the small furnaces and the comment that the steel was low quality. Which is still better than none at all.

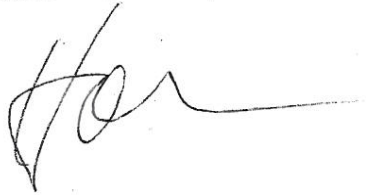
If I agree that Willoughby could have misled anyone, that being his own way of life, practised religiously, I was suggesting that there is nothing in his history of which I know indicating McArthur needed any help.

Check on Anderson and Dita. That tape joins the to-be-used ones. But don't spend 16¢ or a third of what it cost to return one. If you want to return them, let them accumulate and return by parcel post. No rush. Even if as in this case you have something I'd like to hear.

Getcha on KPFB. We have the same thing locally with what ought never be aired and a mou tain to cause it, and I've seen the extreme in Memphis.

Graveyard shift and phone calls: why don't you but one of the attachments that answer with a recorded announcement and space for a message and then return the calls on awakening? You can also turn the bell off if you want to, or so low you may not hear it. That is a rougher shift at maturity than it was for me in my 20s, and it was bad then...Eason: no further word. CDN series: Dupes. Keep. Except for ITT, which I've asked be returned (i.e., the Post's staff coverage of the entire matter), don't bother to return anything not so marked. Much I think you'll not want to keep, like cartoons, just for kicks.

Gotta laugh when you call 9:15 a.m. late! Happy daydreams.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Herr', written in a cursive style.