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9/31/72 When I look at the a.m. TV news and await HER getting out of bed had become more and more part of my thinking time because it has become a pseudo-entertainment wasteland more than news. So, my mind has been wandering, and while they have what will be a long sequence on how Eleanor McGovern campaigns (I suspect with full mcpiggy) I want to acknowledge what I had not in haste earlier, the accuracy of Jim's forecast of the press indifference to what Wecht would say. I think Wecht helped the forecast along by saying nothing new, but had he I still think it would have been as Jim then said, a one-day story. My only misgiving of the time was that it would linger as an anti-Kennedy piece. To explain as I did not in a yesterday's note, my letter to Marshall had another objective: he does have a deal going with Graham, for Graham himself told me. He did have a tentative agreement to let Nichols see the stuff. And the more accurate and dependable the reflection of what the examiner says he sees the greater the hazard to truth and the higher the probability of misdirection on everything, the more complete the exculpation of the real dissemblers. So, I wanted to jar Marshall and raise a few ?s in EMK's office. At some point, whether or not they acknowledge to me, this should be getting through to them, despite EMK's faith in the appropriately-initialled BM (Burke Marshall). And if you have been able to follow the thread of some of my recent letters, without remembering the foundations of the past I have laid new foundations for moving the areas that can't be blamed on the family into court, like the giving away of federal property, the light-exposure of the film, things not as typical of past assassination stories and more likely to make crooked-dogcatcher stories. H