

Haven't had time to read the Agnews or to think of it much until a little while when I went to a neighbor to get some corn for supper, yumyum, just picked. Waiting for him I returned to thoughts of this morning's walk. There are so many ways this could be a Nixon operation can't itemize them all. It could be a parlay in which the real victims are the Democrats, which could make the GOPs look like the innocents and, with all the attention, could get even more when the GOPs indict the Dems, as they did in Texas (Sharpstown) & elsewhere. With no real knowledge, I'd say there is no limit and the variations are indefinite. If both parties haven't been deep in crookedness, Maryland, which is worse than most states, had a sudden reform. Doesn't smell any different, tho. This began as an effort to get Dems. If it has an end, it may yet be that or be in some way designed to help GL. If the source of the leak is found and it is Dem, there could be a backlash and GL would seem justified on leaks. HW 8/9/73

Young former right-wing friend from near New Orleans reports Garrison appeal denied and criminal trial set for soon. He offered to save both S-i and T-P clips and I accepted, asking him to save until all over but to let me know if and when new informants surface, as I expect. If trial is not over by time (law) school starts (at Jackson, Miss.), I'm sure he'll get copies, locally or by mail, so I'll have should you want. I expect to file, not read and have no interest in trying to keep up to date because there is nothing I can do. HW 8/9/73 AUG 10 1973

I also roughed out what I'll be writing about those ITT documents. I am not enclosing an unread carbon, but I made an extra one in case you would like to read it. In my opinion it is enough for criminal charges against many more than Mitchell. All those with knowledge of the payoff and the special privilege. Ehr. included, as well as Colson, who is more obvious and gives them all guilt with what the Post omitted, we have lost control of the proof and should withdraw Kleindienst's nomination. Haldeman got it, so him, too.

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I'm sending the unread drafts of Hunt-CIA- WH and committee-ITT insertions on the chance they may be informative. Don't bother returning but don't throw away immediately because I've had to send the other carbons to a prospective agent, the worst way but aside from what I could and did say in a letter, the only sample I could now give him. Last night Lil started retyping and her typewriter needs repair! HW 8/10/73

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If you didn't read Post's Agnew stories, I didn't either. But having heard a radio news item, I looked for and found that story: his claim to having been offered a bribe when running for governor was and was labelled by the local prosecutor as a fake. Claiming 3 approaches, Agnew would name no names. His opponent had earlier made the same claim.

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Two long phone calls today from Mel Parker, Esquire, to straighten out in his own mind questions he has on JFK text for 11/73 issue (proofs 10/73). These had to do with the popular fictions substituted for fact re pix, X-rays, other evidence, character and who suppressed. Inherent was exculpation staff lawyers, personal incrimination of RFK, etc. I tried to explain and in the course offered him in confidence some of the contents of my unprinted work. Also offered it for purchase not for use without it, emphasized. I believe that on those things of which we talked he has now a fair understanding of the realities, not the fictions. Seems they are making a deal of Cyril, how much I don't know. I told him that if he has any additional questions of fact I'll be glad to take the time to try to help him. From Esquire's past I fear the worst. HW 8/9/73