

Je, Watched the NonprettyPatviewer on TV tonight. Accounts didn't say, but it had to be Camp David. We saw helicopters as I brought Lil home and I'd heard some earlier. He didn't look at ANYBODY. Could hardly ever see his eyes, which were always downward, below the level of those he was addressing. He just keeps looking down. His content was always interesting, as was his audible breathing. He looked like anything but a joyous man, this Glorious Leader who holds his first press conference the day after the WG convictions. Hate was love and joy for him, and he couldn't resist indulging it and the concomitant defamations, of politicians and the press. Dick Nixon is doing the kicking around, and that is his bag. He even looks more hateful, and I think he has a new hairdo, with a suggestion of bristling to it. The one time he was shown smiling, it suggested a snarl and he wiped it off real quick. Without the text can't be sure, but it sounded like he was rewriting the rewritten October agreement. HW 131/73

Seems like the end of September 1968 all

the great assassination brains got together in N.O. to sit in respect at the feet of the Grand Master/Biggest Brain. It went on for hours and because it was obviously an Event of Such Great Moment it was taped. I have been asked to listen to the first hour, from a dub that is clear enough and made a dub that is clear enough, if you'd like to spend an hour getting a slight idea of what it was really like. This is not the hardcore. More the equivalent of a furtive wink. The one redeeming thing is some occasion witty comment by Garrison, who could be quite funny. It will take much of this to offset the incredible nuttiness. Turner was working on a book on the three assassinations. JG explains how you have to have a "structure" to begin with (didn't he, though) and then you add brick by brick, making everything fit. There is this to be said for his method: you can sit and sip and laugh, and that is easier than going out in the rain and rough places in the dark. Some of the parallels, especially because of the FBI training that is brought to bear, might be of interest, like frangible bullets. Some unkind ignoramus asked about frangible 22s in Sirhan's gun, but JG solved that by saying a 22 hollow-point explodes. Which was a goof feed for Turner, who had Sirhan up to his knees in empty shells. HW 2/1/73

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Sneaky thought Dept's 1/24: It is too early to get much from my own STD dept. It is possible the WG insurance is binding. Gray has been endorsed by the Post, which blunts some of the opposition. Nixon wants a politician there, and Gray has been this. It can't be too easy to get a guy who will, on the one hand, do as GL desires and on the other, without blowing up a storm. Kleindienst is not as difficult-he offered much less than the headline suggested and he had little choice. Besides, SOP for FBI is not to report what isn't wanted to be known. They also have to worry about the lawyers who see their reports inside DJ. Remember the witnesses in this case as in JFK assassination who reported not even being talked to? However, it is possible to see Kl. pointing about the delay in renominating. I suppose the reasons could have included WG, but it might be they are looking for one just as bad whose badness is not as well known. Aside from opposition to him, he is ideal AG for Nixon. HW 2/1/73

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X Trapnell, Garrett Rock: my recollections was short. There are about 50 pages from two CDs, 196 and 461. For the most part they deal with his feigning mental illness at the State hospital near Baltimore, record that he had reported a phoney plot vs Bobby Kennedy, and say that the Cubans with whom he says he was associated claim to have no knowledge of him or the plot he reported. The guy who wrote the NYTimes stories was interested but has not called back, perhaps because he got these CDs for himself, as I told him he could do and how. Your 1/25/73.

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Reston 1/17/73 The Watergate Spies column and Je's note of graf missing in NYT compared Chron: I have copy from different Times edition and the same graf is missing. Otherwise, versions two NYT editions identical. HW 2/1/73

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