

You are up to date on 3 cl's from your 12/29. S filling now. Among the things I have that may entertain I've been meaning to ask about before I reuse cassette. I interviewed two inmates Tenn. Max. Security prison Petros a year ago on the bugging of the James Earl Ray cell, how they know about it, what it cost them, etc. I made dubs all these interviews for Jim Lesar and as an afterthought asked him to dub these two only for Paul Valentine of the Wash Post. I suspect Paul was anxious not to have a story, because he accepted confirmation as refutation. The jailor said the mike's were pitched to special frequencies to be especially sensitive to certain noises (which does not mean they were needed or not also ultra-sensitive to the human voice) and the lights were fluorescent and the cell was air-conditioned! I don't need a second dub, Jim's full dubs serving that purpose. But if you'd like to hear maybe 15 minutes of two prisoners talking about what happened to them, taped inside concrete surfaces only, second air dub from TC 40, I'll lend. I'd want this Sony cassette back, if it is only C30....Suggest today's Kraft column worth an extra reading. I'll be sending incase you want dupe or to guard vs local editing, as with Alsop....More on flu: the only years we've ever had it is when we forgot vaccination. Our immunity was down, so this first shot did not really immunize. We get second 27. New medical thinking is that they must be renewed yearly or lose punch. We'd always heeded the advice of the surgeon general, get or don't get. My own view is that our age it is easiest to take the damned thing and have one less eventuality to worry about. Henceforth, I'll get one each season. If Lil is right, that the shot gave us what we have, it is still better than the real thing, and that is very common hereabouts...Times anti-red expert Harry Schwartz was on Today this a.m. to plug new book for which there would seem to be no unsponsored market, US medicine is best in world. Why now so costly? All the fault of those frightful liberlas who put Medicare through, creating demand that could not be met. Not that people needed care they didn't get because they could not pay for. Big brains. No wonder he is such an acceptable "analyst". Ought be only disaster insurance because most people go to doctor 1-3 times a year and can pay for that (he should have lived so long on both scores!), and few people suffer disasters. Why else are the hospitals so full?...If I am to judge from the language used, Karnow now with NBC or used by them as special expert. Last night they quoted him as their special correspondent....Even Dole on Today today could not give full support to Nixon. THAT bad. Wish I could hope for Congress to be intelligently selfish...No Post story re CBS/Schorr this a.m. on WG Senate investigations. He listed three possible, first Commerce committee's on Hrogh. Others, Erwin, Eastland. Imagine Sunny Jim from Sunflower County, Miss., investigating the enemy who re-elected him! HW 1/4/73

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