What Makes U.S. Journalism So Great; or the Cox Papers and the ARA-Reg Murphey Kidnapping. FES 2 6 197. CBS has William A.H. Williams' diary and last night reported it held J.B. Stoner's name & phone. After reading WxPost coverage this a.m. I phoned Chris Frazier, Knight's Columbus, Ga. papers to see if he knew anyone at Cox and if he thought they's be interested in some hot FBI reports on Stoner with threats to assassinate, etc and taped one vs King and JFK. He phoned Reg Murphy, still a friend after Chris left Cox. Murphy tired and books 3 days on what he must write told Crhis to have me use his name, saying he asked me to call Ex Ed. Wm. H. Fields and giving me home phone, 404/255-4031. Did. Wife answered. Operator said Murphy toldme to call. Fields refused to take call! Murphey told Chris to warm me that Fields is "inclined to be dour!" Dour only? Murphy excited by story. Anti-semitic notes to papers there now about, Chris said. Told Chris who told Murphy of extensive file, almost all federal, state official, on secret armies of the right, parallels of this Amer. Rev. Army, enough for long and detailed series. This also appealed much to Murphy.

HW 2/24/74