

JDW: If I don't know exactly what it means I'm sure I like the line I'll about to quote.

I had an invitation to meet with some Hill staffs 5/21. We met in the office of the liberal administrative assistant to a conservative Virginia Democrat, Downing of the Norfolk area. "Tiny" Hutton, a very large man with part of a leg missing, was a reporter until Downing was elected 17 years ago. Since then he has been Downing's Administrative Assistant. When I gave them the position paper I'd drafted, centering on the legislative problems rather than the facts of the assassination, I also told them that when it came to fact if the investigation was of the investigation, I already had enough. I invited them up whenever they wanted to come. Two days later of the next day they phoned to see about that Saturday. They were here about six hours, 4-5 more than they'd planned. We talked more and I showed them some of the evidence for PM. Today JL took a copy of the affidavit we filed yesterday up there. They chatted a short while. Tiny told JIM I'm the most compelling man he's met in his life. I take this as some kind of praise... No calls from anyone on the small Gardner story A4 on affidavit. That took some doing on George's part because he had the p.1 Project Jennifer story and we didn't talk until late in the afternoon. He had to be willing to go down to the courthouse at the end of the day to get quotes and read the affidavit. He did not go to Jim's. He could have had their courthouse reporter check it, of course. Small as the story was, it means the national desk didn't kill and that UK knows it is not unknown. HW 6/4/75

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