

Dear JDW,

5/3/75

I was about to go to bed when I remembered Art Kevin is to call after 1-10:30.

The note on the WxPost copout probably reflects the disappointment I feel. But it is much more, much worse than that. If this were not the story I see it to be there is no chance that Lardner would take more than three hours on his day off, the first nice weekend day of the year. I could hear his kids bedevilling him and his patience with them. It really is definitive and repetitiously so.

So is the 1/22/64 transcript of which the Post and other papers have made no mention.

Perhaps it is the magnitude, but the story is of such a magnitude I find it impossible to believe that official as all I have is, sanctified in court and all that, that any paper would not grab for this rare journalistic opportunity,

Who ever heard of a story with such a history? The Congress actually amended the law to direct that this suppressed evidence be given to me. How many of those has anyone heard of?

There is irrefutable proof of FBI fakery in the investigation of the assassination of a President and of the satisfaction with this of the official investigators, it is both photographic and suppressed lab sketches, visuals, and still not a story?

There is certified proof, signed by the head of the FBI (I read it in full and he typed it word-by-word), that the necessary tests were not made, the necessary comparisons were not made, and still no story? Aside from content.

5/4/75 About 2:10 p.m. George Lardner called me to check a few points in the story he did draft, what he described sort of as a modest one. Aside from general discussion the one point I made is that his formulation was subject to being interpreted as unfair to the FBI and that in my opinion it is.

He is taking the story in without knowing if it will be used. With what I think will follow in conversation, I think it not unlikely that there may be a change of heart and the story, whether or not cut further, may appear.

I did suggest that journalistically there is this that is unusual: that in effect Congress passed this law to compel giving me this evidence and that Judge Pratt so interpreted. George knew of Teddy's 5/30/75 clarification and comment.