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Dear Harold:

The attached is the ONLY thing locally we've seen on Ray developments. For some time (long before your note of June 16 asking it) we've been conscious of impending events and watching for anything. Thus far nothing else, not even in the NY Times. We'll keep watching.

Returning herewith the WX Post's June 6th piece on Ehrlichman, which we were glad to copy. Thanks. You'd better keep it.

Your clipped offerings continue to be excellent in choice. Especially appreciated were the June 20 Sunday feature on San Elemente and Ehrlichman's Chicago encounter with the political editor of the Bubble Gum Digest. Special thanks to Lil for snagging such prizes.

You haven't asked it, but ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ the latest encounter with Kabak strengthens the suspicion I've been nursing for some time that other critics are the most logical choice for infiltration and sabotage. Your experience seems to have demonstrated this probability several times over. What could they have on him that would drive him to such an incredible repeat performance?

I don't think you'll want it, but we have Schweiker on Face the Nation last Sunday, June 27, on tape. He paid lip service to the possibility of anti-Castro Cuban involvement but as usual said much more about the phony Castro backlash theory. If you want a dub before we erase it, just say. We'll hold until you indicate one way or another.

Not much new here. Jenifer is fine and doing well, concentrating on wearing down her average irrigation time with the aid of a rechargeable hand calculator. We think the recent hot spell, which ended only late this afternoon, may have affected her performance, which was decidedly erratic during five very dry, hot days, six really counting today which wasn't quite as bad.

The same very unusual hot^w eather (this time of year the heating bill usually goes UP due to persistent fog and overcast) also has stopped my efforts at repairing the carport. ~~xxxxxxxxxx~~ In fact the weather seems to have gone batty in many different areas, but of course we're most conscious of this very dry year which has left Marin reservoirs less than half full and necessitated the county's first water rationing. Our hillside of ivy and ferns is taking a beating. As to the carport, it will be a long job. It sits on a 30° hillside shoulder, with no possibility of doing anything but fixing up the existing structure, which consists of eight 4x8 redwood posts supporting the whole thing and which have been hit by dry rot. I'm now digging out around their concrete emplacements, after which we'll pour a continuous foundation, cut the posts off and reset them and try to brace up the whole thing as it should have been done in the first place. One problem is how to do all this without the whole thing toppling over and falling down on the house. However, our good contractor neighbor is guiding my every move, and I have great faith in him if not in myself.

Take care of yourselves.

Best from us both,

 jdw