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Miss Cheryl Faust
1324 Leland
Indianapolis, Indiana 46219

Dear Miss Faust:

President Johnson has referred to this Department the correspondence of October 31, 1968, from you and several other persons concerning the trial of Sirhan B. Sirhan, accused slayer of Robert F. Kennedy. We apologize for our delay in responding.

Mr. Sirhan is being held in the Los Angeles County Jail pending trial. Since this case is under the jurisdiction of the State of California, it would not be proper for this Department to comment on its status.

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The President wants you to know that he appreciates your writing to express an interest in the current affairs of our country.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. POLLAK
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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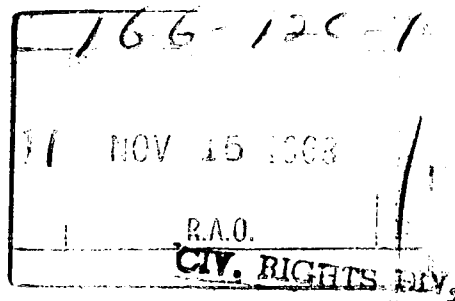
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Oct. 31, 1968

Dear Mr. President,

We would truly like to know what has happened to Sirhan Sirhan. We have been told that the trial has been set back many times. If so, why? It seems to us that there has been enough time to prepare for a trial.

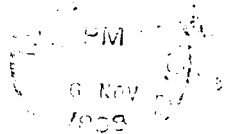
We would very much like you to answer our questions.

Michael Scanlon
Daniel Meier
Maurice Kline



Yours truly,
Oren Faust
Joan Warner
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Rosellen White
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President Johnson
White House
Washington
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DEC 16 1968

Mr. Howard Schultz
E-10 Camelot Apartments
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

Dear Mr. Schultz:

This is in reply to your correspondence of
October 30, 1968, requesting statistical information.
Please excuse our delay in responding.

The Department of Justice does not have
available for distribution the information you re-
quested.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. POLLAK
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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Howard Schultz
E-10 Camelot Dpts.
Chapel Hill, N.C.
27514

October 30, 1968

Dear Sirs;

I would appreciate your sending me any information (statistics especially) concerning guns and murders, accidental deaths, and suicides that guns are involved in. Also, if possible, I could use statistics on the reaction (telegrams) after Robt. Kennedy's slaying. Any additional information for my term paper would be appreciated. I need this urgently.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Howard Schultz

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DEC 3 1968

Miss Marilyn Anderson
516 Carey Street
Springfield, Massachusetts 01104

Dear Miss Anderson:

President Johnson has asked us to reply to
your letter of October 7, 1968, concerning
Sirhan Sirhan.

Since the trial is currently in progress,
it would not be appropriate for us to comment at
this time.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. POLLAK
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

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GABRIEL A. GUTIERREZ
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Western Section

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Dear President Johnson

I am a Wise at the
Shyres Hosp in Springfield, Mass. I want
to tell you that I admire you very much you
have been a most wonderful President. I would
like to ask you this how could a wonderful
man like Robert Kennedy be shot down
so God Bless! & his killer pls don't

OCT 21 1968

even a citizen of our Country is being
treated like a king why is his Case taking so
long I just heard now his Case will not
be heard till 1969 - we all know how quickly
why the best of. & then if & when he is brought
into Court & given a few yrs & then he is out
again to kill some one ~~else~~ else. I would
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you say much for Pres Lunt & Ed Bless you Marilyn
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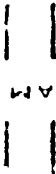


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President Lyndon B Johnson
Washington, D.C.

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Marilyn Anderson
576 Owen Street
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DEC 3 1968

Mrs. Joe Lazaneo, Jr.
721 3rd Street
Gilroy, California 95020

Dear Mrs. Lazaneo:

President Johnson has referred to this Department your correspondence of October 17, 1968.

The strength of our nation lies in its adherence to law which protects the individual. There are many safeguards in our legal system which ensure the individual the time and opportunities to defend himself against criminal charges. Sometimes, it appears as if this is "protecting the criminal", but, in reality, it is guaranteeing his freedoms under the Constitution.

Crimes such as murder are generally within the jurisdiction of state and local authorities and the Department of Justice has the authority to intervene only in those instances where the violation of some federal criminal statute is indicated. When this is the case, this Department does, indeed, intervene to ensure that justice is carried out.

Your interest in writing to express your views and concern is appreciated.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. POLLAK
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On DEC 9 1968

721 3rd St.
Berkeley, Calif.
Oct. 17, 1968.

The Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson,
President of the United States,
The White House,
1600 Pennsylvania Ave,
Washington, D.C.

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OCT 20 1968

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Sir

The enclosed letter is self-explanatory. I feel that there is urgency regarding the contents, and I hope you will bear with me for the fact that it is a copy. I hope also that you will feel it worth your consideration. At the time that I wrote to Attorney-General Clark - I received a copy of the Bill you had passed at that time regarding Safety in the Streets, signed by the Assistant to the Attorney General. However, now as then, as my letter states, that was not what was on my mind. - No doubt, Sir, you, also have felt frustration many times as you have done your best to serve the people best.

Each administration begins with high hopes for a renewed beginning, a fine and admirable sense of dedication, from which come benefits for all of us. There are no more awesome responsibilities nor heartbreating decisions than those solved by you as President.

There is nothing greater that I would wish for you, President Johnson, than that your solution to Viet Nam were successful before you leave office.

I also hope sincerely that you might help Mr. Humphrey to combat the "pat" Campaign of half truths and political "brainwashing" that Mr. Nixon is having managed for himself these days -

In closing, may I wish to Mrs. Johnson, to yourself, and to your two fine daughters every good thing with peace, freedom and relaxation on your Texas ranch.

Altho it is expecting a great deal, I would be most grateful to know your opinion of content of my enclosed letter.

Yours very respectfully
Gladys K. Lazaneo

721 Third St.,
Gilroy, Calif.
Oct. 15, 1968.

The Honorable George W. Milias,
Member of the Assembly, 22nd. District,
State Capitol,
Sacramento, Calif. 95814.

Sir,

This letter is to bring something to your attention that has been on my mind for a long time. Because of your record locally, and your reputation for pursuing something until results are obtained, I hope you will channel this correctly to get maximum results.

Red tape I cannot cut-the channels open to you I do not have, but I have been writing letters. The first was to Eric Sevareid, who in Look Magazine last July had three articles about "America is Pointed in the Right Direction", or some similar title in the face of the senseless assassination of Robert Kennedy. Another was to Walter Cronkite, who permitted Chicago "Boss" Daley to air his views over the network after the disaster that was the Democratic National Convention. Then to Attorney-General Ramsey Clark, when even President Johnson cried out "for God's sake, let us have liberty, but under the law". To Gov. Reagan, asking that ^{second} my letter be properly forwarded addressed to Richard Nixon when he spoke in Santa Clara; to Vice-Pres. Humphrey and Edmund Muskie to Waverly, Minn. as the campaign started. I have received one answer to all these-from Vice-Pres. Humphrey.

The immediate subject is the punishment of the assassins of Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy. Why the innumerable delays, the careful protection of men caught with smoking guns that commit the crimes? Were circumstantial evidence involved, where the suspect might be wrongfully convicted--but these, along with the killers of Medgar Evers, the three civil rights workers buried under a construction site, the housewife, Mrs. Liuso---all the murderers tried and released with no comparable death penalty. What right has the man to live or even ask for a trial who murdered the 8 student nurses in cold blood?

Under the repeated circumstance of release of these criminals due to all the loopholes and technicalities to be found in the law, justice is so seldom done these days in the top level crimes that real justice is becoming the travesty of our time.

Delays, protection of the criminal, loopholes--these are bad enough, but how much greater compounded is the disgrace of solution when the criminal is remanded to psychiatrists-declared incompetent, unfit, insane--some excuse but so effective, to get them off for rehabilitation. Our latest in the California courts are the two who killed 3 in 3 states, left Susan Bartolome for dead; but she is going thru life without speech and totally paralysed. Now one of these fiends is called a "mental cripple". Today, (10-16-68) the other's sordid background is supposed to minimize his guilt?

The insanity or mental defective bit is the worst of all, and oddly enough continues to get our wholehearted cooperation in the courts. Our society could become saturated with these whom the optimists wish to rehabilitate. If statistics were known, how many of these, from rapists to murderers, are released for a second chance which only turns into the opportunity to repeat the offense--often more savagely than the first time? Why, in our society, do the courts permit the lives of these deviates to be so carefully treated? How long would it have taken justice to be done thru regular channels, if the peculiar, cancer-ridden little man who did not care about himself had not shot Lee Harvey Oswald? And what would the verdict have been?

None of the loopholes can be plugged at federal level--it is the responsibility of the states. But always with so much time elapsing to take the edge off of our anger and hatred--to insist on a fair trial when in my estimation no trial is deserved--meanwhile, the murdered ones are gone, and the maimed are left to struggle thru life. Are Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy important enough to our society for justice to be done, at least in these cases, or are they to be let go scot free, or with some insignificant sentence? What became of the way some countries still handle it--punishment fits the crime, and it is carried out in kind? We just might have a far less permissive society if the culprits knew that their lives would be forfeited exactly as they killed or maimed their victims. The idea would be realistically effective; it is not sadistic.

The word, for the average citizen, Mr. Miliias, is frustration--which seems to be the only recourse after the dismay, shock, and helplessness engendered by these acts. We are, also, always hopeful, awaiting a change of administration, etc. ad infinitum. We wait, to what end? Certainly not to have our feelings compounded by the inadequacies of laws or the inactivity of officialdom which seems to harbor, even nurture, the contaminating criminals, rather than eliminating them. How is our best interest served when we cater to the criminals rather than eliminating them? How many more postponements will Sirhan get--along full news coverage with pictures which maintains that the trial was postponed in order not to lock the jurors up over the holidays--since June 6 yet!

Does not the frustrated citizen, Mr. Miliias, have a right to ask: "how long, Oh, Lord, how long," before the courts will eliminate all the delays that favor the criminal's life, in order to dispense punishment as fast and as final as the death or maiming that comes to those attacked?

Questions I have, but answers I do not get--until We read again that yet another of these misfits has not been sentenced to death as they should be. Where could my letter be sent to be most effective? Who is the governor of Tennessee--the state in whose custody we find James Earle Ray, who probably will be released for lack of evidence as are most of the crimes against negroes? What can you do about it in your official capacity? Since state judiciary is involved, would you please bring my letter to their attention also?

Very truly yours,

Paula K. Lazaneo
(Mrs. Joe Lazaneo, Jr.)

CANDIDATE NIXON NOT only do
he "brainw

'Law and Order' many are beginning to see he is Stand Dangerous a danger to our country

By TOM WICKER
The New York Times

During a recent Richard Nixon rally at the Pacific Auditorium in Santa Monica, local policemen began urgently pushing along a group of long-haired picketers gathered outside. Whereupon these members of the witty and sassy younger generation dumbfounded them by setting up the chant:

"Raise police salaries!
Raise police salaries!"

The cops can hardly rough up anybody demonstrating for that kind of goal and, in fact, the picketers were making a better point than the presidential candidate who was orating inside the packed hall. Everywhere Nixon goes, he is calling for strict law enforcement and promising that "new leadership and a new attorney general" will put a stop to crime — which, presumably, includes street demonstrations and riots.

PROBLEM — Nixon is even proclaiming himself an expert in this area, but for a man who believes himself about to become President, he really is taking dangerous political advantage of the country's undoubted concern about "crime in the streets" and "law and order." The net effect of his campaign could be to present him and his prospective new administration with a far more serious problem than the one Nixon speaks about so forcefully — and which is, to some extent, imaginary.

In Denver, on Sept. 25, as an example, he said that in Washington, D. C., "bus drivers have to carry weapons." In fact, District of Columbia law specifically prohibits them from doing so, and the D. C. Transit Company says it would fire any driver who did.

Nixon relentlessly tells his audiences that "crime" has risen nine times the population increase and three times as fast as it did in the Eisenhower administration. Whatever statistical basis there may be for these assertions, they are obviously too slick, because crime statistics, at best, are inaccurate, incomplete and often misleading, and cannot be employed honestly in such generalities.

GENERALITIES — Nixon offers some other vague generalities to suggest that he also would do something about the social conditions in which crime flourishes, but his primary emphasis always is on tough law enforcement. It is seldom on the improvement of police personnel, techniques, working conditions and understanding, all of which have to precede any really effective law enforcement.

Ironically, this comes at a time when real progress in improving American police work is being made, some of it under the impressive leadership of the one official Nixon never fails to attack — Attorney General Ramsey Clark. The Law Enforcement Assistance Act that Clark nursed through Congress promises even further improvements.

For example, starting salaries for the police in some major cities have edged into the \$8,000 to \$10,000 bracket.

In many localities, educational requirements are rising. In Multnomah County, Oregon, which is mostly the city of Portland, deputy sheriffs now must have a college degree. In the past three years, more than twice as many states have made available college courses in police sciences, and more than twice as many of these courses now exist —



RICHARD NIXON

... Dangerous Advantage

which means at least twice as many professionally trained policemen.

In the same general period, Justice Department officials believe, far more effective police leadership at the top has been developed, at least in the major cities. The social upheavals and urban disorders of recent years have forced mayors and police commissioners to face up to their problems and to take intelligent steps to analyze and deal with them.

EASIER — Thus, as many high-ranking police and Justice Department officials see it, coping with "crime in the streets" is going to become easier in the long run — but coping with policemen may become harder in the short run. The political climate encourages some police forces to strain civil authority, and causes political leaders to be hesitant or ineffective in restraining them. Policemen obviously taking the law into their own hands, in Chicago (a number of indictments will stem from current investigations) are followed, predictably enough, by off-duty policemen beating up black militants in New York City.

It is this political climate that Nixon's tough talk helps to create — although the rabid George Wallace and any number of local demagogues are far worse. Nevertheless, Nixon clearly risks making such a point of "getting tough" that his election will be interpreted by every heavy-handed policeman in the country as a license to beat up somebody — probably somebody poor, black or young, and preferably all three.

Nixon would be entitled to replace Clark but if he should do so with a hard-liner, and then follow that by substituting tough cops for President Johnson's excellent appointments to the new Law Enforcement Assistance Agency, everybody had better get a helmet.

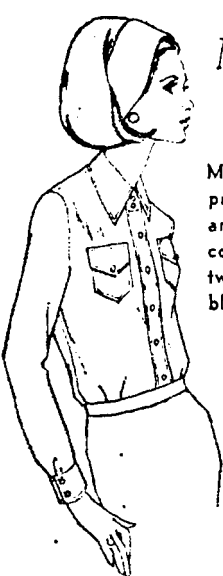
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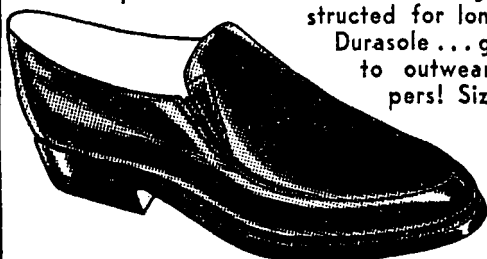
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'Maine, Braun Not Retarded'

By RICK CARROLL
Mercury Staff Writer

Tom Braun is not insane and Gene Maine is not mentally retarded, in the opinion of Dr. Walter Rapaport, former state director of mental hygiene.

He testified Wednesday as a rebuttal witness on the 31st day of the murder-rape-kidnap trial of the two Washington teenagers.

"I found no distorted mental condition or mental illness in Braun," the doctor said, adding that both Braun and Maine had, and still have, the ability to deliberate, premeditate and harbor malice.

Dr. Rapaport's opinion sparked a white-hot verbal battle which brought a stern reprimand to the 73-year-old doctor and defense counsel Merle Orchard from Judge Joseph P. Kelly.

The argument erupted over the method the doctor used to arrive at his conclusion which all but ripped to shreds the defense curtain of insanity.

"My opinion is based entirely on my examination," Dr. Rapaport said. The examination involved questions and answers which the doctor said he interpreted by drawing on his 46 years of experience in psychiatry.

The examination showed Braun is not a schizophrenic, he said but a sociopath.

"You didn't give Braun any psychological tests?" inquired Orchard.

"That's correct," Dr. Rapaport said.

He found "no reason" to give any psychological tests to Braun, he said.

"My diagnosis is based entirely on my examination. I showed no psychiatric disorders"

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Accord

Washington Post

The Soviets inflated the treaty signing into a massive ceremonial affair. A large delegation headed by Premier Alexei Kossygin, flew to Prague Wednesday afternoon for the formalities. With him were Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, Defense Minister Vassily Kuznetsov, who had done much of the spade work of negotiations here. They were joined by no fewer than 15 Soviet generals.

Significantly, neither Czechoslovak President Ludvik Svoboda or Community Party leader Alexander Dubcek greeted the delegation at the airport nor were any Soviet flags flown there. Informed sources said the atmosphere was "cool" throughout.

But later, the group was received by Svoboda at the president's residence, Hradcany Castle. Thereupon, the signing of the treaty, negotiated piecemeal over several weeks and made final Tuesday in Moscow by Czechoslovak Prime Minister Oldrich Cernik, was signed in the spacious Cernin Palace, the office of the foreign minister.

From the Soviet side, the purpose of the exercise was obviously, to put a purported stamp of legality on the invasion of Czechoslovakia on Aug. 20-21 and to force the victims into a public acknowledgement of the legitimacy of what was patently an illegal foreign invasion.

Hence the treaty, negotiated quite literally at gunpoint. Somewhere between 250,000 and 600,000 Russian troops are now in occupation.

Whatever troops will remain will merely serve as a reminder of the reality of Soviet intention not to let Czechoslovakia get off the Kremlin reservation again as it had, or threatened to during the eight months of Dubcek's liberalization program.

Geneticists Will Share Nobel Prize

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key to its structure" in 1961 and with Holley and Dr. Khorana "proving its structure in detail."

The winners share a cash award equivalent to about \$70,000 and also receive

What will they
say about
Richard
Ray

Defense, when the time comes, Doctor Tangle

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no mental illness, no illness," the doctor said.

Orchard asked if the doctor thought Braun was normal.

"I don't think he was in a normal range or he wouldn't be out shooting, robbing and raping people."

"He is not normal; what he did was not normal."

"Why," Orchard asked, "did he do it? Do you know why?"

"Yes, I know why," the doctor answered, "because he enjoyed it."

"He stole the cars because he wanted a new car. He shot the boy because he wanted to get the girl. He wanted the girl for sexual intercourse. He tried to kill the girl because she knew all about him and he wanted to get her out of the way."

"That's what I know. That's from him—and confirmed."

Dr. Rapaport went on:

"He does what he wants to because he wanted pleasure."

"God or the devil didn't order him to do it. He did it in spite of the fact he knows it's wrong."

"He's a sociopath," the doctor said, "and if a sociopath does it once he'll do it again."

"He bragged about it," Dr. Rapaport said.

"Now, wait just a minute," interrupted Orchard.

"You failed to recognize remorse, isn't that closer to the truth?" he asked the doctor.

"That's correct" Dr. Rapaport said.

"Are you saying you're never wrong in your diagnosis?" Orchard asked.

The doctor exploded.

"I'll gamble everything I've got against a dime there's nothing in the record about that," he shouted.

"Are you never wrong?" Orchard asked.

"Several times I've been wrong," the doctor admitted, adding however that "most defendants withdraw their plea of insanity after getting my report."

Orchard touched another soft spot by saying, "After Dr. Rapaport reaches a conclusion, there's not much use in proceeding."

"That's not true," shouted the sputtering doctor.

Judge Kelly called a halt to the verbal tiff.

"I've sat here long enough," he said, "let's get back to the case."

Asked if he knew what the term "pseudo - psychopath" meant, the doctor reacted in scorn and said, "I've never that word."

(Braun the day before had been described by a psychologist as a "pseudo-psychopath.")

Orchard produced a copy of "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders" and started to read the definition of the term.

"That's not a Bible," the doctor interrupted.

"Anyone who'd accept it as a Bible is out of his head," he said.

"To say he (Braun) is a pseudo — I will agree with that. He has a false front."

The doctor was handed the manual published by the American Psychiatric Assn. He read the definition of the term.

"That's the first time I've ever seen that," he sniffed.

But Dr. Rapaport held to his diagnosis of Braun as a sociopath and defined the word as:

"A person who understands what behavior is and is not acceptable to society and for one reason or another will commit wrongful acts to bring profit and pleasure to prove that he is able to do something and get away with it without the presence of mentally ill concepts."

Braun, he insisted, is not mentally ill.

Earlier, under cross-examination by John Poulos, the doctor nearly proved himself a good defense witness.

"Is Maine the type of person who would take a gun and kill someone?" Poulos asked.

"In my opinion, he would not use a gun to shoot anyone for any purpose. He has the potential to shoot someone — that everyone has — but not the propensity."

"I think he has an inadequate personality but he's not mentally retarded," the doctor said.

Maine, he said, has the ability to deliberate, premeditate and harbor malice.

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Apollo 7 Spins Past Midpoint

SPACE CENTER, Houston (UPI)—Apollo 7 soared into the second half of its trail-blazing test for a trip to the moon with more than half of its goals already fulfilled Wednesday night.

If astronauts Walter Schirra, Donn Eisele and Walt Cunningham had to bring Apollo 7 back to earth now, officials said it would have accomplished more than 75 per cent of its intended tests.

A Christmastime trip to the moon by Apollo 8 was "almost a foregone conclusion" if Apollo 7 successfully completes its 11-day flight.

At 9:08 p.m. EDT, Apollo 7 passed the halfway point in its 260-hour, 10-minute mission from liftoff last Friday splashdown next Tuesday in the Atlantic Ocean.

The spacecraft's sixth day orbit around earth featured a trip over the eye of Hurricane Gladys near Cuba—which may threaten its planned return to earth, a half-second "burp" of its 21,000-pound-thrust rocket and another telecast.

The astronauts, and space officials at Cape Kennedy, kept a wary eye on the progress of the hurricane.

When the storm first appeared, Schirra suggested to ground controllers that they might have to bail out the boat moored in Galveston Bay near here. Wednesday, astronaut Ron Evans in Houston told Schirra "be advised, Gladys we're not sure whether to move your boat or to move your (Apollo) landing point yet."

There are several "back-recovery" areas where astronauts could come down both the Atlantic and Pacific should Gladys bar them from the prime area.

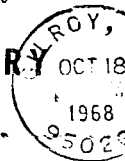
Officials at Cape Kennedy were concerned for the safety of the huge Saturn 5 rocket which will power Apollo 8 and make a decision Thursday whether to move it back to the assembly building to escape the storm's winds.

The major gripe from the astronauts Wednesday concerned their food.

"This high-calorie stuff," Cunningham complained, "is

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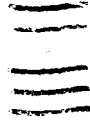
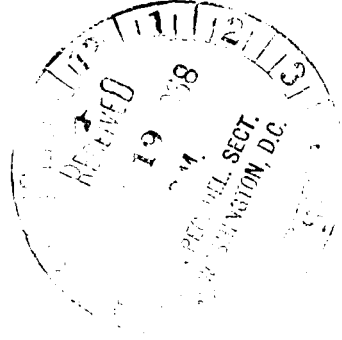
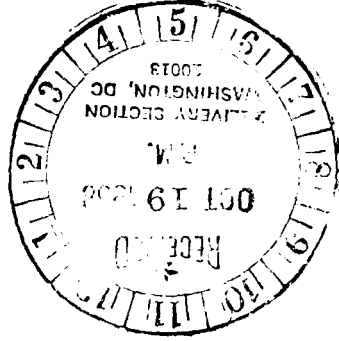
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Mr. J. C. Renfroe
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Dear Mr. Renfroe:

This is in reply to your letter postmarked
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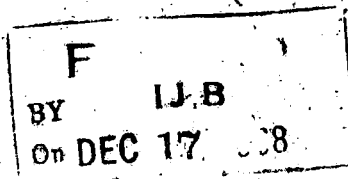
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Mr. J. C. Renfroe
Citra Route #2 Box 119-B
Gainesville, Florida 32601

Dear Mr. Renfroe:

President Johnson has referred to this Department your correspondence dated June 26, 1968. We apologize for the delay in responding.

Please be advised that your views have been duly noted. Your interest in writing to express your views is appreciated.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. POLLAK
Assistant Attorney General
Civil Rights Division

By:

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Bombing Pause In Vietnam Another Communist Victory

Millions of Americans undoubtedly will be cheered by the impending prospects of a bombing halt in Vietnam. Some will hopefully assume the war could grind to a halt, with no more American boys fighting and dying. Others will delight that their peacenik movement will have won its point and now there will be no more destruction raining down on their left wing friends in North Vietnam.

But there are those, including us, who look with considerable trepidation upon the proposed bombing cessation, even if it would have the bonus of warring on a smaller scale. The reason for such concern is that once again the mighty United States would be losing a war, making a waste of the some 25,000 men killed, the tens of thousands more wounded, and the \$100 billion invested to ensure the freedom of the South Vietnamese, who, of course, truly would not be free from the threat of Hanoi.



MULLEN

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IN THE EVENT anybody has forgot, we lost the war in Korea. We didn't win it, as could have been accomplished, we lost it by being pinned down in a stalemated armistice that requires our military presence in South Korea. We lost, because we did not crush Communist aggression as we had promised.

Instead, our national political leadership arranged a humiliating accommodation with a bush league Communist outpost that stripped us naked of our integrity before the world.

And now the Communists are nearing repetition of the degradation by luring us into another rapprochement in Vietnam. From the outset, Ho Chi Minh set the terms for our further discomfiture: end all bombing and include the Viet Cong in the truce negotiations in the form of the National Liberation Front.

As much as anybody else, we want to see the fighting end. We, too, yearn for days of peace when our young men can have normal lives and our country can go about its business in science and education and improving the lot of the less fortunate.

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HOWEVER, such desires are to be thwarted or retarded by the evi-

dent terms for suspended war in Vietnam.

There was a lesson in Korea, but it has been ignored by our leaders. Communists do not expect us to conquer them and place their territory under military occupation. But they do know that we will attempt to negotiate a peace and will be tolerant almost beyond human endurance to that end.

The hundreds of meetings between the truce teams at Panmunjom, some of which amounted to nothing more than entering the room of the peace hut in the Demilitarized Zone and glaring in silence across the table, set the pattern of the political strategy in a no-win policy.

The pattern also includes the divided nation, as in Korea and in Vietnam; the Demilitarized Zone repeatedly violated by the Communists, and the terrorist attacks in territory under our jurisdiction, not to forget the calculated provocations such as the USS Pueblo.

Our destiny in Vietnam, we fear, is one more Lilliputian strand to hold us prone against Communist salami-style world aggression.

As in Korea, with military and economic commitments.

Our presence is required in Western Europe because of the Russian threat.

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WE ARE LOCKED in West Berlin because there has been no formal settlement of World War II — once again because of a Communist-divided nation, Germany.

And Cuba is poised at a shaft aimed at our underbelly and the Western Hemisphere.

Thus, it must follow to wonder where the next pressure point will emerge.

Perhaps it may be in the Middle East. Or in Africa. Possibly in a new confrontation in West Berlin over closing the Autobahn; or at The Wall.

Maybe the thrust will be in Panama. But it could be in Thailand to consolidate Southeast Asia for the Reds with Burma, Sumatra or Indonesia in the line of march for Communist attack.

Any of these can be the cost of an uneasy peace in Vietnam, as that war was the price we paid for our failure in South Korea.

William A. Mullen

The Demise Of The Amateur And The Olympian Farce

URG. Olympic standards must necessarily look for outside substitution to practice their sport. Hence professionals — but one extend hypocritically as to are amateurs.

gressors against Czechoslovakia.

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Lloyd Hagaman, an aide to Gov. Kirk who toured the areas Saturday, said the state probably will apply for federal disaster area funds after all the damage figures are in "and it proves to be of suffi-

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Mr. John P. Reid
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Box 12A
Confluence, Pennsylvania 15424

Dear Mr. Reid:

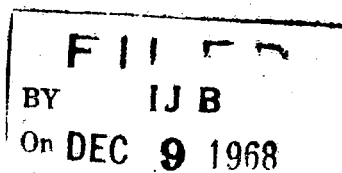
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Sincerely Your, Veteran John P. Reid.

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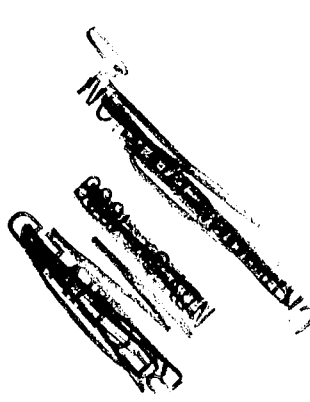
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Mr. M. M. Rudolph
4162 Birchwood Drive, So.
Liverpool, New York 13088

Dear Mr. Rudolph:

This is in reply to your correspondence of October 7, 1968, concerning the trial of the alleged slayer of Senator Robert F. Kennedy, Sirhan B. Sirhan.

As you know, the confinement of witnesses is both for their own protection and to ensure that the judicial processes may be properly carried out. Although this is an inconvenience for the persons involved, it is often necessary. A citizen's desire to provide information he possesses in spite of personal inconvenience is of great importance to our judicial system.

As for the frequent postponement of trials, this is also a method of ensuring justice. If an attorney has good cause in the eyes of the court for postponement, it is granted with the view that justice may more properly be carried out. The objective of the court in such cases is to enable all persons fair treatment under due process of law.

Your interest in writing to express your views is appreciated.

Sincerely,

STEPHEN J. POLLAK
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United States Attorney General Ramsey Clark
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Dear Sir,

This letter is being written in reference to the case of the accused assassin of our late Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

Sirhan B. Sirhan's lawyers have stalled enough and have had more than enough time to prepare his case. It is not fair to confine the witnesses to Robert F. Kennedy's tragic assassination any longer. Some of these people cannot stand to be confined even if it is for their own protection. If their pictures were not shown on T.V. along with their names mentioned, perhaps there would be no need to confine them. If they request to be released, and to our knowledge one has and is out on bail, their lives are in jeopardy. As long as the trial of Sirhan continues to be postponed which could go on for months or longer, at the rate things are going, there may never be a trial. Why? Because more witnesses will want to be out of confinement, and by the time every thing is settled and Sirhan's lawyer's are finally prepared, the trial may never come to be. Once again, why? Because there may be no witnesses alive, perhaps the evidence may be destroyed. The members of any anti American group may find a way to reach Sirhan so he will not be able to talk and also the witnesses as well as the evidence. Impossible, no it is not. It did happen before. There were ten witnesses willing to testify after the assassination of our late President John F. Kennedy. They were willing to tell everything they saw and knew about the tragedy. They are all dead and not by natural causes. There were other witnesses who were approached and threatened. They feared for their safety and those of their loved ones, too frightened to speak to anyone concerning the assassination.

If you wish to check or review this, as there is too much to add on this subject, refer to the February, 1967 issue of Cosmopolitan magazine. The article was written by David Welsh and William Turner. As you well know this is a very reputable woman's magazine. We demand action now. The reasons for the postponements are not even justified. Sirhan's lawyers do not appear to have much of a case.

Mayor Gorty is known to have never liked Robert Kennedy. Our Bobby is gone, his children have been left fatherless, his wife lonely and bereaved, his family shocked, and his brother has been left to carry more burden added to what he already has. Now Ted is the lone male Kennedy survivor. Bobby's campaign workers and the people here and all over the world are still shocked and mourn for him, he will live on in the hearts of all the people who loved him. We demand that Sirhan be moved to another state, now, secretly and under heavy security guard and remain there as such, until the trial. If it is possible after the trial would even be better. Roosevelt Breer amonog many others did a lot to capture and keep Sirhan safe and alive to stand trial. We the people want him to stand trial, as it is the American way and the right way. At the same time there is more than enough evidence and witnesses to prove his guilt. As I mentioned before, all of this will be proven at the trial, and the answer will be guilty as charged, premeditated and without reasonable doubt. The death penalty will be too easy and too final. He deserves to serve the rest of his life in prison. If this should be the case, he may have to have guards twenty four hours a day, which I am sure can come out of the taxpayers money, as everything else does, with the constant rise in taxes. This is for a better cause than some of the others, for example, beautifying America by destroying buildings that need not be, only to build some other buildings we do not need. There are so many ways the taxpayers money is being misused needlessly. Money that can and should be put to better use. Sirhan is only one of many, where our money can be put to use.

What about the girl in the polka dot dress? She was supposed to have been found, questioned, released, and her case closed. The dress was found later in a paper bag, but that part of the dress, the girl in the polka dot dress, was never re-presented. After finding the dress in such an unusual manner, why does it still remain closed?

As you can see, we have many reasons for the request we are now demanding - ! The trial must go on in another state, and as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,
Mr. + Mrs. M. M. Rudolph

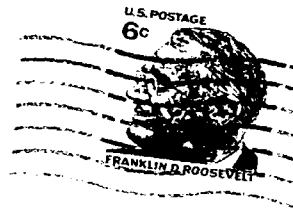
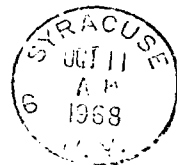
P. S. Again we must refer to Sirhan B. Sirhan's trial as we have just finished reading about Russell E. Parson's latest request for another delay in his trial. This, I believe to be correct would be the sixth time. His picture is not that of a person with any feeling of guilt for the tragic crime he is being accused of, but the expression of one who knew what he did at the time, and of one who is not suffering any regret or sorrow for committing such a crime. We have seen that same expression soon after the crime, when they cleaned him up, yes, the same look on his face. He appears to be content and in his own way pleased for being so successful!

We are sure that every jury trial is not postponed because of the holidays. Why should he be made an exception! Stalling for more time in hopes the spirit of the people including the jury, judge and everyone involved with this will change in favor of Sirhan B. Sirhan, and more time for his lawyer. We will not change our feelings of our great loss and what it has done to our people and country and perhaps even effect our world affairs.

No, this is too big! No more delays, excuses, - just go on with the trial. We demand justice!

M. M. Rudolph
4162 Birchwood Drive, South
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2. PRESS ADDS THAT JORDANIAN MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FROM RAMALLAH, ABDUL SALEM AL-'URI, WILL ACCOMPANY SIRHAN. HE PROBABLY EXPECTS TO CAPITALIZE ON PUBLICITY SURROUNDING VISIT AND MAY, IN TURN, LEND IT AN AIR OF OFFICIAL SANCTION. AL-'URI IS ALSO A KNOWN FATAH SYMPATHIZER.

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2. PRESS ADDS THAT JORDANIAN MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FROM RAMALLAH, ABDUL SALEM AL-'URI, WILL ACCOMPANY SIRHAN. HE PROBABLY EXPECTS TO CAPITALIZE ON PUBLICITY SURROUNDING VISIT AND MAY, IN TURN, LEND IT AN AIR OF OFFICIAL SANCTION. AL-'URI IS ALSO A KNOWN FATAH SYMPATHIZER.

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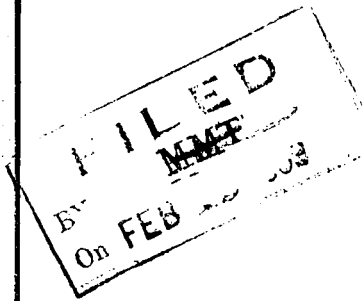
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Dear Mr. President,

Sorry to bother you at this time knowing you have more than enough troubles to worry about. The reason for this letter is mostly because I am very disappointed, and mad concerning Robert F. Kennedy's assassin.

Soon it will be five months that our beloved Robert has been gone, and yet the man who took his life is still alive. I do believe that every human being is innocent until proven guilty, but in this case things have gone too far.

This is my question. Why does the law of this country allow such a man stay alive so long,



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