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NOTE BY STF: What PJK really means but lacks courage

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Dear S. Terry:

to say is that he was totally wrong about elite type being THE type at the White House..I sent more than 20 samples typed in the same PICA as the Cutler Twining memo. Unfortunately, he limited his offer of \$100 per sample to 10. Note how he continues to jump to conclusions (wrong ones) based on completely inadequate "research". He still may have to pay out the \$10,000. for an announcement by the White House. Time will tell. STF 3/10.

Enclosed is my check for \$1,000, per your Invoice #89022501, in payment for your research services in connection with my investigation into the authenticity of what purports to be a memo from Robert Cutler to Gen. Nathan Twining, dated July 14, 1954, at a time when Cutler was out-of-country and which you therefore believe was written by James Lay. (This eases my conscience for having taken \$1,000 of your money in \$100 annual increments as part of our \$10,000 Agreement.)

I commend you for your data-gathering efforts which have provided the desired results at less expense in time and dollars than if I had had to visit the Eisenhower Library myself. (I'm currently working 7 days/week, about 12 hours/day for McGraw Hill. During the past month, Av Week has carried three of my feature stories, and I expect two or three more will appear in next Monday's issue. In addition, I've recently been asked to write a book-review section for McGraw Hill's new "Defense World" bi-monthly magazine, scheduled to appear in May/June, as well as to contribute several feature articles.)

The letters from Lay's office that you supplied, which cover the roughly 18 months prior to the date of the "Cutler/Twining memo", confirms others already in hand to show that the typewriters used in the offices of important White House officials such as Lay and Cutler were regularly serviced to assure clean copy befitting such important offices.

For example, the keys were adjusted to maintain spacing and line-alignment, and were cleaned of "ribbon debris" which accumulates within enclosed sections of letters.

In this respect, these authentic Lay/Cutler letters contrast sharply with the (purported) Cutler/Twining memo of July 14, 1954. Clearly it was written on a typewriter that had not been recently serviced, as evidenced by lack of alignment of some of its keys, and the "debris" in enclosed portions of letters such as "A" and "e".

Undoubtedly you too noted this discrepancy and plan to mention it in your next paper on MJ-12.

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