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Another Hollywood book due soon is "Golden Boy: The Untold Story of William Holden." Author Bob Thomas recalls that in 1979, Holden was taking therapy sessions for alcoholism. Cold sober at the time the treatment began, Holden (according to Thomas) said to psychologist Michael Klassman, "I'll tell you right here and now there are certain areas of my life I can't talk about. Over the years, I've done certain things, performed certain missions for the government that are so secret, I can't talk about them to anyone. So don't ask me." Thomas probes the possibility of a Holden-CIA link and speculates on how such a strain might have ultimately unraveled the star.

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