

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

89-69 entitled,  
 TO : SAC (Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Dallas, Texas, 11/22/63, Miscellaneous-Information Concerning).  
 FROM : Jean B. Hearn, Clerk  
 SUBJECT: Lt. RAYMOND COMSTOCK  
 Information concerning

DATE: December 10, 1971

IT IS NOTED BY THE WRITER THAT RAYMOND COMSTOCK SERVED AS INVESTIGATOR IN THE OFFICE OF District Attorney JIM GARRISON, beginning May, 1962.

The following is a summary of the pertinent details found in the New Orleans Office files re. subject, Lt. RAYMOND COMSTOCK, New Orleans Police Department.

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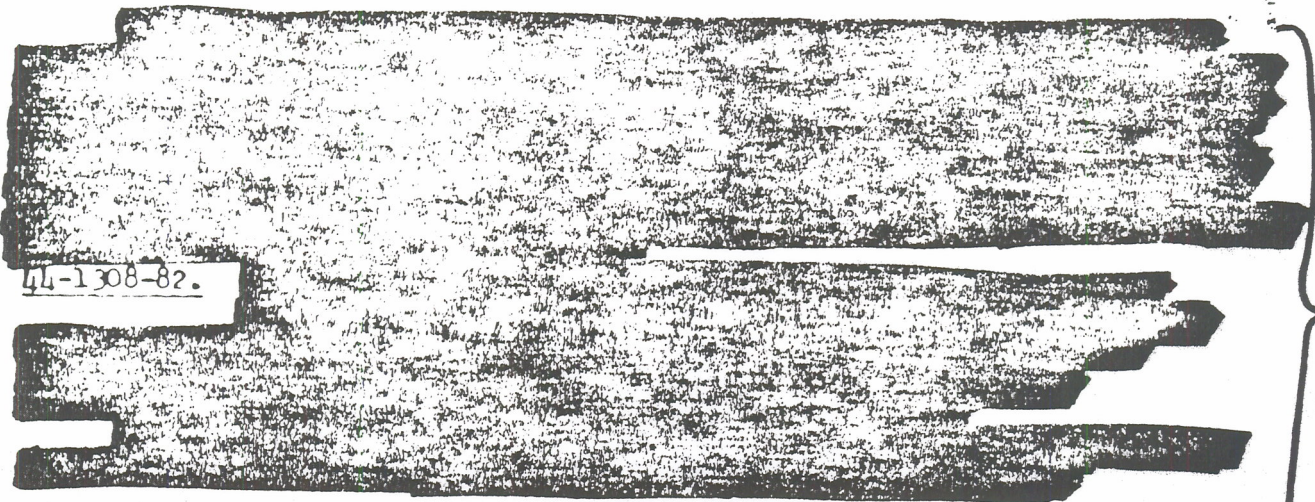
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RAYMOND COMSTOCK (continued).



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80-267-1376. Is clipping from THE TIMES PICAYUNE, New Orleans, dated 5/6/62, entitled, "EIGHT POLICEMEN GET NEW POSTS." (Xerox copy follows.)

100-16601 (Bufile #105-82555) (OO:Dallas file #100-10461). Is file entitled, "LEE HARVEY OSWALD,

aka., IS-R-CUBA."

100-16601-98 page #196. Is report SA WARREN C. DE BRUEYS, Dallas, dated 12/2/63, entitled, "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka., L.H. Oswald, Lee Oswald, Lee H. Oswald, Leslie Oswald, A. Hidell, A. J. Hidell, Alek J. Hidell, Alek James Hidell, O. H. Lee, IS-R-CUBA." Contact with former neighbors, employers, co-employees of subject OSWALD set forth in report. Page #196, is CC FD-302, RAYMOND COMSTOCK, on 11/27/63 at New Orleans, La., by SA REGIS L. KENNEDY. (Xerox copy follows).

89-69-742. Is original copy of FD-302, RAYMOND COMSTOCK on 11/27/63 at New Orleans, La., by SA REGIS L. KENNEDY. (Xerox copy follows).

### Eight Policemen Get New Posts

Police Supt. Joseph I. Giarrusso has transferred eight New Orleans police patrolmen to the district attorney's office, effective Sunday.

At the same time Giarrusso announced the transfer of six officers from the DA's office to other assignments.

Police transferred to serve in the office of DA Jim Garrison are: George ~~Wickert~~, from Third District; Louis ~~Ivon~~, from First District; Frederic ~~I. Williams~~, from First District; Joseph T. ~~Giardina~~, from First District; William ~~Boyle~~, from narcotics division headquarters; Raymond ~~Comstock~~, from narcotics division headquarters; Thomas ~~Duffy~~, from narcotics division headquarters, and Clem ~~Niedermeyer~~, from headquarters chauffeur.

Those transferred from the office included Det. ~~Nick Chetta~~, to detective bureau; Det. ~~Sgt. Arthur Dale~~, to service department; Sgt. ~~Charles Gueldner~~, to Third District; ~~Pt. Joseph Macs~~, to headquarters; Ptn. ~~Clarence Fournier~~, to Sixth District and Ptn. ~~Lawrence Reed~~, to headquarters narcotics division.

Several other routine transfers were also announced by Giarrusso.

*674715 + non other refs.*

THE TIMES-PICAYUNE  
5/6/62  
New Orleans, La.  
NEW ORLEANS OFFICE

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RAYMOND COMSTOCK, Investigator, District Attorney's Office, advised that DEAN ANDREWS, attorney-at-law, had contacted him, attempting to identify CLAY BERTEND. COMSTOCK advised he was familiar with a number of homosexuals in the New Orleans French Quarter but has been unable to identify this individual.

On 11/27/63 at New Orleans, Louisiana File # NO 69-69

by SA REGIS L. KENNEDY /jm Date dictated 11/27/63

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RAYMOND COMSTOCK (continued).

89-69 (Bufile #62-109060) (OO:Dallas file #89-43). Is file entitled as follows.

89-69-2076. Is CC airtel to the Director from New Orleans, dated 5/6/67, entitled, "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS, November 22, 1963, Miscellaneous Information Concerning." Reflects following information.

"Re New Orleans letter to the Director, March 11, 1964, and March 21, 1964, in the case entitled, 'CARLOS MARCELLO, aka.; JOSEPH MARCELLO; FAG-CONSPIRACY; PERJURY, Bufile: 46-42600, New Orleans file 46-1731.'

"RAYMOND COMSTOCK, Patrolman, New Orleans Police Department, on 5/5/67, requested that the material found in the possession of DAVID FERRIE, copies of which COMSTOCK made available to SA REGIS L. KENNEDY, be returned.

"Mr. COMSTOCK advised that he is attempting to locate this material for LOUIS IVON, Investigator for District Attorney JIM GARRISON. Mr. COMSTOCK was advised that a check would have to be made to see if this material was still available. It is noted that copies are available in the Office of the USA, EDLA.

"Bureau is requested to advise if the copies of the material made available by Mr. COMSTOCK should be returned to him."

46-1731-315.

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46-1731-314.

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80-267-2513 . Is clipping from STATES ITEM, New Orleans, dated 5/2/68 entitled, "ON THE POLICE BEAT 'EYE' WAS ALERT; SUSPECT NABBED." By: Jack Dempsey. (Xerox copy follows).

76-3600 (OO:Dallas file #76-4261). Is FUG'd file entitled, [REDACTED]

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76-3600-12. Is CC letter to Mr. JOSEPH I. GIARRUSSO, Superintendent of Police, NOPD, dated 2/5/69, (Xerox copy follows.) from the New Orleans Office.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

ON THE POLICE BEAT

'Eye' Was Alert; Suspect Nabbed

By JACK DEMPSEY

Leave it to William "Bill" Gurvich, veteran private eye, to be, as they say in the police vernacular, "where the action is!"

Gurvich, who heads a detective agency, was in Baton Rouge last week for the annual Louisiana Peace Officers Association convention, and nabbed a suspect in a theft case.

He aided Baton Rouge officers in arresting a 46-year-old woman who was subsequently booked for theft of antiques from Nell Fetzer's Interiors, 342 Lafayette, in the state capital.



JACK DEMPSEY

Gurvich said he became suspicious of the woman when he first saw her in a drug store shortly before the report of the theft became known.

He noticed that the woman appeared quite nervous and he got the feeling she was "casing the place."

After he left the store he went for a ride with Lafourche Parish Sheriff Eddie Ste. Marie and Baton Rouge police officers I. D. Andrepont and Edward Pierce.

Then they received the description of a woman wanted for the antique theft, and Gurvich realized the description fit the woman he had seen in the drug store a short while earlier.

Her arrest quickly followed. The arresting officers found two of the antiques allegedly stolen in the woman's purse—a miniature owl and a miniature set of dice.

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SHORT SHOTS: Pretty Claire Olsen, one of the "ringing belles" of the police department showed her high heels to the rest of her male colleagues in the recent department-wide examination for the rank of Lieutenant, scoring the highest grade in the testing. . . the winsome police gal is an identification specialist, shooting crime photos and dusting for fingerprints. . . the next 24 in line for promotion to Lieutenant are Eamon Randolph, Tommy Harris, John L. Perrot, Roland Fournier, Raymond Comstock, Cyril Logan, Van Flynn, John Surran, Roger Bacon, Edward O'Donnell, Jim Phillips, Lawrence Hand, Louis Caruso, Richard Martin, Jake Schnapp, John Casimiro, John Costello, James Hall, John Bernhart, Charles Bird, John Lopinto, Ernest Joel, Lawrence J. Virganie and Robert Muz. . . elaborate plans have been made for the dedication of the new police Administration Building which begins at 9:15 a. m. Thursday. . . two judges got a real close-up look at the current crime situation recently. Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. lost a suit and a turtle neck sweater to a sneak thief who broke into his automobile.

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STATES\*ITEM

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Date: 5-2-68

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at Common and Baronne April 13, and two days later some-  
 one tried open the trunk of Federal Judge John V. Vener  
 Wisdom's car, which was parked in front of his house, and  
 stole a spare wheel. . . . Firefighter Joe Gilbert is now  
 printing "The Four-Eleven," official publication of the Po-  
 lice and Firemen's Holy Name Society. . . . did you know  
 that the average citizen's chance of becoming a victim  
 of some type of crime has increased by 14 per cent dur-  
 ing the past 10 months in the U.S.? . . . I like the catchy  
 slogan of the current Lock-Up-Your-Car drive. . . . "If You  
 Become Careless, You May Become Carless!" How true  
 . . . the oldest criminal district court minute clerk, Alton  
 Humphry, huddled with the oldest practicing attorney in  
 the state (maybe the nation), 93-year-old Arthur Landry,  
 on Law Day. Coincidentally it was Alton's late father who  
 defeated the then incumbent Judge Landry for the post  
 back in 1920.

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**POLICEMAN-SCHOLAR-AUTHOR:** Ptn. Irvin L. Magri  
 Jr., a senior at Loyola University in the police department-  
 sponsored Criminology course, has completed writing the  
 book he's been working on for the past two years. It will  
 be published soon and will bear the title: "Major Problems  
 of the American Police." Some of his chapter titles are  
 quite topical, such as: "Organized Revolt-Rioting," "Recent  
 Supreme Court Decisions," "Narcotics Addiction," "Civi-  
 lian Review Boards, Pro and Con," "Juvenile Delinquency,"  
 "Offense Against Persons," and "A Possible Solution To  
 The Crime Problem in the U.S." Author Magri cites from  
 actual crime cases locally and has utilized clippings from  
 the States-Item and The Times-Picayune.

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**BADGES OF THE WEEK:** Ptn. William Delaney and  
 Ptn. Marcel David made back-to-back captures of burglary  
 suspects on Thursday and Friday. On Thursday they cap-  
 tured two suspects a short while after they allegedly broke  
 into a Lake Vista residence, shot and wounded a maid in  
 the house. On Friday they nabbed two suspects in posses-



Ptn. MARCEL DAVID      Ptn. WILLIAM DELANEY      Ptn. WILLIAM BOYER      Ptn. ANDREW PELLEGRIN JR.

sion of approximately \$1,200 in jewelry and wearing ap-  
 parel which they allegedly stole in a Gentilly area break-in  
 . . . Ptn. William Boyer of Traffic teamed up with Ptn.  
 Andrew Pellegrin Jr. recently to effect the arrest of three  
 Negroes shortly after they allegedly robbed a finance com-  
 pany of \$270.

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**NO SMOKE—NO FIRE:** Understand there was a  
 fire drill at the Postoffice the other day. One of the postal  
 employes had just sat down to eat and did not get up with  
 the others who filed out of the building. They chided him  
 about his contempts but he was unyielding. "I wasn't  
 about to leave this 95 cents lunch. Besides I don't smell  
 smoke."

RAYMOND COMSTOCK (continued).

T-7013 Federal Building  
701 Loyola Avenue  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70150  
February 5, 1969

Mr. Joseph I. Giarrusso  
Superintendent of Police  
New Orleans Police Department  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70119

Dear Superintendent Giarrusso:

Re [REDACTED]

I have been informed by Agents of this office that during the evening of January 27, 1969, and the early morning hours of January 28, 1969, Lt. Raymond Comstock aided FBI Agents of the New Orleans Office in the apprehension of [REDACTED] b7C  
[REDACTED] A Federal fugitive.

Lt. Comstock was working in cooperation with Special Agent Richard L. Sloan of this office during the evening of January 27, 1969. The two men were working on a matter of mutual interest concerning [REDACTED] a Federal escapee, who had been sentenced at New Orleans, Louisiana, for a bank robbery. It was during this time that Agent Sloan and Lt. Comstock were contacted by another Agent of this office who requested assistance in the apprehension of [REDACTED] b7C

The investigation with reference to [REDACTED] extended into the morning hours of January 28, 1969, and Lt. Comstock unselfishly accompanied Agent Sloan during the period of time [REDACTED] was being sought. b7C

[REDACTED] was apprehended at approximately 5:30 a.m., on January 28, 1969, and it was in no small measure through the devotion to duty and manner in which Lt. Comstock unhesitatingly accompanied my Agents through the course of their investigation. b7C

1: Addressee  
1: Lt. Comstock  
1: New Orleans (76-3600)  
MLO:gas  
[Handwritten initials]

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RAYMOND COMSTOCK (continued).

As you know, it is through the alertness, dedication and ability of such officers as Lt. Raymond Comstock that such criminals are brought to justice, and the aims, as well as the objectives of both our agencies are met.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate you and your department, and to thank Lt. Comstock for the excellent cooperation afforded this Bureau.

Very truly yours,

R. E. RIGHTMYER  
Special Agent in Charge

1 cc: Lt. Raymond Comstock

TO: CHIEF CLERK

Date 12/10/71

Subject RAYMOND COMSTOCK

Aliases

Address N.O. Police Officer

Birth Date Birthplace

File  Male  Female

- Exact Spelling
- All References
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I 80-267-1376 (5/62) (Raymond Comstock)	(Clip Times-Picayune, N.O., 5/6/62, "EIGHT POLICEMEN GET NEW POSTS.") (Xerox copy in memo.)		JH
I 80-267-2513 (5/68) (Raymond Comstock)	(States item, dated 5/2/68.) (Xerox copy in memo.)		JH
I 89-69-742 (11/63) (Raymond Comstock)	(Orig. FD-302, RAYMOND COMSTOCK, on 11/27/63 at N.O., La., by SA REGIS L. KENNEDY.) (Xerox copy in memo.)		JH
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I 89-69-3004 pg #2 (Raymond Comstock)	(Teletype to Director from N.O., 5/8/67, "ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, Dallas, 11/22/63.")		JH
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I 76-3600-12. 2/69) (Raymond Comstock).	(CC let. to Joseph I. Giarrusso, Superintendent Police NOPD, from N.O. Office, dated 2/5/69, entitled, [REDACTED] aka.-FUG.)		JH

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RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN  
 FITZGERALD KENNEDY DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63  
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 OO: DALLAS

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