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DID THE FRICTION BETWEEN ROBERT F. KENNEDY AND J. EDGAR HOOVER CAUSE THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY IN DALLAS ON NOVEMBER 22, 1963?

BY WILLIE A. SOMERSETT

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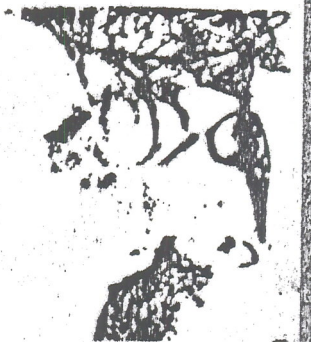




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has a copy of tape but did not
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Did Robert F. Kennedy's disagreements with F.B.I. Director, J. Edgar Hoover, cause him to refuse Mr. Hoover's request for more men and protection in Texas? Only a few citizens of the U.S. are aware that the Attorney General of the U.S. has full jurisdiction over the F.B.I. and the Secret Service.



WILLIE A. SOMERSETT ...
Editor and Labor Organizer,
who helped record tape.

BANK Assassination Tape Alerted Miami Officials

The last sound on the tape is the sound of a slamming door.

It is a sound as loud and as death itself. The man who slammed the door had just finished talking about the coming death of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

It was Nov. 9, 1963 — two weeks before the President was assassinated.

The door slammed shut on the Miami apartment in which the men had been talking. Sitting on the refrigerator — hidden — was the Miami Police Intelligence tape recorder which had tak-

en down the assassination conversation.

During the conversation, a State's Rights agitator told a Miami Police informer that Kennedy would be killed with a high-powered rifle from an office building. He said somebody would be picked up quickly, just to throw the public off.

He said that Kennedy knew he was a marked man.

The bugged conversation was arranged for one primary reason — John Kennedy was coming to Miami in nine days. The Miami Police were not about to have him

killed here.

The Secret Service and the FBI were informed of the alleged plot to kill the President.

It happened that the FBI was then investigating Lee Harvey Oswald in Dallas. The President was due in Dallas Nov. 22. There was to be a motorcade through town on the traditional motorcade route.

At the end of that route is the Texas Book Depository.

On Nov. 1, and Nov. 3, FBI agents went to the house where Marina Oswald was living apart from her

husband. The agents talked to Mrs. Ruth Paine who had taken in Marina Oswald.

Ruth Paine told the FBI that Lee Harvey Oswald was working in the Texas Book Depository.

On Nov. 9, Oswald wrote to the Russian Embassy in Washington and said: "The FBI has visited us here in Dallas . . ."

That was the same day the tape was made.

Miami Police had a bit of a sticky problem in getting the State's Rights agitator to talk about assassination (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)

for its tape recorder. The purpose of his visit here was ostensibly to talk to Miami "patriots" about forming a chapter of his State's Rights organization.

He was still feeling out the police informer whom he had first met only four months before. He came down from his Georgia home to talk about organizing, not assassination.

The informer led him on a long, circuitous route to Kennel. He said it was being planned by the hard-core underground - the terrorists of the group. He stipulated that they were acting as individuals and not as the agents of the political party.

The informer tried to persuade him to ask where the assassination would be done.

The informer said: "You may have figured out the office building, and all. I don't know how, then."

Secret Service agents cover all their office buildings, or anywhere he is going. Do you know whether they do

The State's Rights man said "Well, if they have any suspicion they do that, of course. But without suspicion chances are that they wouldn't."

He told about a place in Washington where it could be done from. But then he said "by chance it is the wrong time of year. But you take pleasant weather; he comes out on the veranda, and somebody could be in a hotel room across the way there and pick him off."

It was pleasant weather in Dallas. And there was the office building. The Warren Commission said there was Oswald waiting. The commission also said that if the Secret Service had reacted to the first shot fired that day, Kennedy would have been saved.

The Warren Commission said there were at least five seconds between the first shot which hit Kennedy in the throat and the second shot which killed him.

The Secret Service did not react quickly enough, the Commission said.

And that is one of the reasons why the Miami News learned about the tape made in Miami. Last November the News sent a reporter to Dallas to write some stories about the city where the President was killed. The stories also told about the people who were raising doubts about the Warren Commission's conclusion that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone.

The stories were carried in several sections of the country. One man who read them, knew of the tape and told the News about it.

He called, he said, because the FBI and the Secret Service knew about the threat to the President.

They knew, how it was to be done and they don't protect him from it."

Dallas is known as the Southwest hate capital of Dixie. It is the home of the Right Wing. And ever since

September, when the Dallas daily newspaper told the people Kennedy was coming, the hostility against the President was high.

All the while Oswald's rifle was sitting in Mrs. Paine's garage. She did not tell the FBI that it was there. She later said she didn't know about it.

After the assassination, the man who had done the talking in Miami got scared. He figured that he knew who had done it. And he figured that they knew that he knew.

Texas editor Penn Jones, who has been chasing clues to the assassin for three years now says: "I think it was planned in Houston with operating headquarters in Miami, Louisiana, Fort Worth and Dallas."

Three weeks after the assassination, the man who did the talking in Miami went on a trip which included stops in Louisiana, Fort Worth, and Dallas.

For Those Who

Wonder Why

I make no effort to attribute knowledge or

For Those Who Wonder Why

I am an American—defender of freedom and guardian of the nation.

The service I render to my country is not in its hour of honor and a privilege. Duty, as I know it, holds responsibility for country in high regard. Honor, as an individual owe to God with respect for the ideals that make these United States a democracy. Privilege, for the ability to give, and fortunate enough to have been born in a land where my life, mind and ideals are my own.

To serve our country as a fighting man is a trust bestowed on me by the people. It is my hope for millions outside our borders who suffer under the scourge of tyranny, the absence of justice and freedom.

As an American fighting man, I find faith in my God and courage from those who have gone before me. My reason for service is a symbol for you to see that the sacrifice of my fellow man was not in vain.

I make no claim to another's land or government but stand ready at the borders of freedom, not as an aggressor, but as a defender; and the nations of the world will know that "the pursuit of happiness" is more than spoken words, but a way of life.

The orders I receive are received from the people and I am responsible to them.

LT. JOHN L. BANKS, III, USAF

The words above are an epitaph for their author.

John Banks III was 24 years old when the four-engine transport plane he was copiloting in South Vietnam crashed, taking his life.

The short essay entitled "I Am An American" was written by young Banks for an essay contest and was between pages of a scrapbook that he had entrusted to his best friend the day before he was killed. The friend returned the scrapbook to Banks' father, a resident of Superior, Wisc.

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