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In odd moments I'm still going over copies of the NO files. This relates to

NO 100-16601- 1977

Third Man

Os. Lit Dist.

Greek Restaurant (Greek Club?)

Orest Pena. And possibly one Farlow McCurley, aka Madear.

Pena owned one of the two Greek restaurants in this general area at that time. His was at the end of the block of Decatur away from Canal or just accross Iberville, the next street, also on that side of Decatur.

I just noticed my error, this was on Canal. I knew of no Greek restaurant there.

However, there is another report I read in which it is reported that without any arrests there had been an Oswald fracas near the Habana. Pena never told me of that, if it happened.

I think the reference is to Ihara, the Japanese, who appears to have been a homosexual. The Pena Greek restaurant was partonized largely by homosexuals and seamen on the roam. Pena had no prejudice. A homosexual did some really fine murals for that place. Pena introduced me to him. He seemed to be a good person but edgy over Shaw.

In any event, I'm not wrong about this person picking out a third man or reporting one. I have such a file under the Lit. Dist. What Jesse Core told me about this does not appear in any of the FBI reports I've seen, which is remarkable.

The FBI was well aware of this third man. But in the checking relating to the picketing only those agents not deeply involved in the case made any mention of him. The FBI never prepared anything like a separate report on this, which I also regard as remarkable.

You may recall my telling you that are says he was in the Rush/WDSU footage, that he and Ed Planer, then WDSU news director saw this on the Mavicola as soon as Oswald was identified, and that it dissappeared when the FBI returned the footage it borrowed. Planer confirmed this to me.

Odd. There has to be a separate file on this. There was nothing along this line in the NO FO files. I've gone over those provided if not all the copies I made.