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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)  
 FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)  
 SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
 JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
 DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63.  
 MISC. - INFO CONCERNING  
 (OO: DALLAS)

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*J.D.*

Enclosed for the Bureau is a newspaper article appearing in the New Orleans States-Item, Red Flash edition, 4/30/68, concerning above captioned matter.

One copy each of this newspaper article is enclosed for Dallas and Miami.

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Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Special Agent in Charge

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# State Police Aid in DA Probe Is Confirmed

Gov. John J. McKeithen has confirmed that the State Police loaned an investigator to District Attorney Jim Garrison in his probe of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. However, the governor said he did not know whether it was Lt. Francis Fruge, who was named yesterday by Legislative Auditor J. B. Lancaster as one of two persons who collected \$17,431 in expense money from the state.

LANCASTER yesterday called for recovery of the money he said was paid to Fruge and Mrs. Anne Dischler, who allegedly worked together on a mysterious investigation.

Later, Public Safety Director Thomas D. Burbank told newsmen that Fruge had been on loan to Garrison and made "several trips" to Fort Worth and performed other duties for the DA.

Asked about this, McKeithen said:

"I DID NOT know ~~we had~~ a Lt. Fruge on the state police. My recollection is that we did lend a person to Mr. Garrison."

Lancaster said he has been unable to relate the expenses paid to Lt. Fruge and Mrs. Dischler, who worked for the State Revenue Department and the State Sovereignty Commission "with official duties assigned to them."

"Unless these expenses can be justified as necessary . . . (the departments involved) should take any action necessary to recover the amount in question."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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STATES-ITEM

NEWORLEANS, LA.

Date: 4-30-68  
Edition: RED FLASH  
Author:  
Editor: GEORGE W. HEALY  
Title: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEX 11-22-63  
Character: AFO  
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Classification: 89-  
Submitting Office: N.O., LA.

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Enclosed for the Bureau are three newspaper articles appearing in New Orleans newspapers, 5/1/68, regarding captioned matter.

Copies of these articles are enclosed for Dallas and Miami.

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# WITNESS CHANGES STANCE DA's Kennedy Probe Gets Surprise Assist

A witness sought by District Attorney Jim Garrison in his Kennedy assassination probe was quoted in California today as saying he may have information which could support the theory of a conspiracy to murder the late President.

The Los Angeles Times reported today that Loran E. Hall made what constituted a surprising reversal of position in an appearance before Edwin Meese, California Gov. Ronald Reagan's legal affairs and extradition secretary.

Hall earlier was subpoenaed to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury in the probe, fought the subpoena and won his battle in the California courts.

PREVIOUSLY insisted he had no knowledge of a conspiracy to kill the President. According to the Los Angeles Times story, written by former New Orleanian Jerry Cohen, Hall says now his memory recently was "jogged" by "certain individuals reminding me of persons I was in contact with in 1963 before the assassination."

He said he had supplied Meese at a meeting yesterday in Sacramento, Calif., with the names of "these certain individuals" reminding me of persons I met while making speeches in the Los Angeles area when I was raising funds for anti-Castro activities.

"On almost every occasion after I finished talking at one of these meetings," Hall said, "I'd overhear some people there discussing the possibility of assassinating Kennedy and how it might be done. Not just Kennedy. But also Chief Justice Earl Warren and other government officials—how they could be gotten rid of."

HALL, AN adventurer who once was a Castro prisoner, claims to have spoken at more than 50 meetings in Southern California in the early 1960s, seeking support for anti-Castro guerillas. Hall himself was a guerilla. He said that during the speeches he never personally advocated harming the President, although he did express disappointment over the handling of the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba.

Hall declined to specify sites of these meetings but said he supplied Meese with those he could remember.

He said he has been giving "serious thought" to Garrison's demand that he appear here. "Garrison's office has been in contact with me and there's a chance I might reconsider."

HE SAID he made his decision to go to Meese after being assured by a California judge that his previous testimony would not make him subject to prosecution for perjury. He said he had asked for the audience with Meese "to protect myself in the event I do decide to go to New Orleans."

Meese had no comment on Hall's story.

Earlier, Garrison said he would set the date for the trial of Clay L. Shaw, charged with participating in a conspiracy to assassinate the President, early next week if Shaw's attorneys do not file for a rehearing before the Louisiana Supreme Court by Tuesday.

SHAW'S ATTORNEYS have attempted to get his trial moved at least 100 miles from New Orleans. Their change of venue move was denied by Criminal Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. and they asked the state high court to review the decision.

Last week, the high court said it would not interfere. The attorneys have until Tuesday to ask for a rehearing.

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STATES-ITEM  
New Orleans, La.

Date: 5-1-68  
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Author:  
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# Garrison to Seek Early Trial of Clay Shaw Case

Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison said Tuesday his office will set the presidential assassination conspiracy trial date of Clay L. Shaw early next week unless Shaw's lawyers appeal a Louisiana Supreme Court ruling.

The Louisiana Supreme Court April 23 said it would not review the denial of a change of venue ruling made by Criminal District Judge Edward A. Haggerty. Shaw's attorneys sought to have the trial moved out of Orleans Parish.

According to law, said Garrison, Shaw attorneys have 14 days in which to ask the Louisiana Supreme Court to reconsider its stand. If there is no appeal, when the 14 days are up—Tuesday—Garrison said his office will immediately move to set the trial date.

"We will set the trial at the

earliest possible date depending on court problems," said Garrison. "We are trying to push it to trial."

On other matters, Garrison would only say "no comment" to whether his office is following closely the independent investigation of the Martin Luther King assassination being conducted by reporter Louis E. Lomax, of the North American Newspaper Alliance.

He also confirmed that State Policeman Lt. Francis Fruge, cited by the legislative auditor's office for travel expense irregularities—worked for his office "for a short period." But he became indignant when questioned about what period of time he did such work.

"I don't see the connection," said Garrison, referring to working with his office and travel expense difficulties.

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TIMES PICAYUNE  
New Orleans, La

Date: 5-1-68  
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Editor: George W. Healy  
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ENCLOSURE

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## Shaw Trial To Be Set Next Week

District Attorney Jim Garrison has announced that early next week his office will set a date for the conspiracy trial of Clay L. Shaw unless Shaw's attorneys appeal a Louisiana Supreme Court ruling.

The state high court said last week it would not review a decision by Criminal Judge Edward A. Haggerty to deny a change of venue for the trial of Shaw, who is charged by the DA with participating in a conspiracy to kill the late President John F. Kennedy.

Shaw's attorneys have sought to have the trial moved at least 100 miles from New Orleans.

By the law, Garrison said, Shaw has 14 days to ask the state supreme court to reconsider its stand. The 14 days are up Tuesday.

On other matters, Garrison refused comment on whether his office is closely interested in the investigation of the death of Martin Luther King. He confirmed that State Policeman Lt. Francis Fruge—cited by the legislative auditor for alleged travel expense irregularities—had worked for his office briefly.

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STATUS-ITEM  
New Orleans, La.

Date: 5-1-68

Edition: Red Comet

Author:

Editor: George W. Healy

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KENNEDY, DALLAS, TEXAS  
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Character: AFO

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Submitting Office: N.O., LA.

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5/7/68

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To: SAC, New Orleans (89-69) (Enclosure)

From: Director, FBI (62-109060)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

PERSONAL ATTENTION

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a letter which was sent to United States Attorney Louis LaCour by Guy Wootan dated April 30, 1968, which is self-explanatory.

Departmental officials in Washington have been in contact with the Bureau in discussing various courses of action Department may take in connection with the situation involving William S. Walter. Department plans to instruct United States Attorney LaCour to contact Walter's attorney, Guy Wootan, and discuss the Walter allegations in detail. Department, at this time, does not intend to instruct Walter to use the executive privilege (Departmental Order 381-67), should Walter be subpoenaed to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury or other authority. Department plans to have LaCour point out to Walter's attorney, Wootan, that Walter's allegations are absolutely false and that this Government is prepared to conclusively establish their falsity. LaCour also will get the point across to Wootan that the Department would view any false testimony by Walter with extreme concern and would take what necessary action is desirable to protect the Government's interest.

This is being furnished for your information. In the event your office receives any information dealing with Walter's allegations or any information revealing that Walter has received a subpoena to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury or other authority, such information should be immediately telephonically furnished to the Bureau and should also be furnished immediately to United States Attorney Louis LaCour in New Orleans.

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Airtel to SAC, New Orleans  
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
62-109060

You should keep the Bureau promptly and fully advised of all pertinent matters in captioned investigation.

NOTE:

Memorandum Mr. W. A. Branigan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan dated 5/3/68, in captioned matter, summarized results of discussion between Departmental and Bureau representatives in the matter described herein. On 5/6/68 Mr. Carl Belcher of the Department informed Supervisor Robert E. Lenihan that the Department is contacting Mr. LaCour in this matter as described herein. Mr. Belcher requested that he be immediately advised should the Bureau receive any information from the New Orleans Office further dealing with the Walter allegations or data indicating Walter has received a subpoena from Garrison.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
**Memorandum**

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

DATE: 5/6/68

FROM : SAC, DALLAS (89-43) (P)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS  
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ReBulet to New Orleans, 5/1/68.

A search of the general and special indices of the Dallas Office in captioned case failed to reflect any information identifiable to Mr. and Mrs PELT or their daughter HELEN (LNU). Such indices are also negative concerning WARD G. VAN ORMAN.

No further action being taken, UACB.

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# HALL 'MAY HELP' GARRISON CASE

## Reverses Stand in JFK Probe—L.A. Times

The Los Angeles Times reported Wednesday that a key witness sought in District Attorney Jim Garrison's assassination probe has reversed his position and admitted that he may have information which could support the theory of a conspiracy to murder President John F. Kennedy.

The newspaper said Loran E. Hall, who had been subpoenaed to appear before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury in connection with the probe, changed his position in an appearance before Edwin Meese, California Gov. Ronald Reagan's legal affairs and extradition secretary.

The story was written by former New Orleanian Jerry Cohen and stated that Hall had his memory "jogged" by "certain individuals" who reminded him of persons he was in contact with in 1963 before Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas.

Hall had previously insisted he knew nothing about a conspiracy to kill the president and had successfully fought Garrison's subpoena in the California courts.

Hall reportedly met Meese Tuesday in Sacramento, Calif., and handed over to the governor's aide a list of names of "certain individuals" reminding him of persons he met while making speeches in the Los Angeles area for raising funds for anti-Castro activities.

Hall was quoted as saying he was in touch with Meese to protect himself in case he decides to go to New Orleans to testify. He said he has been giving "serious thought" to appearing in New Orleans.

Hall claimed he spoke at more than 50 meetings in Southern California in the early 1960s seeking support for anti-Castro guerillas. A former prisoner of Fidel Castro, Hall said he overheard people discussing the possibility of assassinating Kennedy and how it might be done after he finished talking at most of the meetings.

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SECTION 1

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NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Date: 5-2-68

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Author:

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 5/3/68

Attached teletype relates to New Orleans District Attorney Garrison's probe of the assassination of President Kennedy.

Loren E. Hall, mentioned in the attached teletype, reportedly has been subpoenaed by Garrison as a material witness. Hall was one of three men who reportedly visited Sylvia Odio, a discredited assassination witness, in September, 1963, in Dallas, Texas. We interviewed Hall and he claimed never to have met Lee Harvey Oswald or to possess any information relating to the assassination of President Kennedy. Investigation disclosed Hall has a history of mental instability and a reputation for lying.

Edgar Eugene Bradley is the West Coast representative of Dr. Carl McIntire, the New Jersey radio broadcaster who has associated himself with the extreme right-wing element in this country. Bradley has been charged by Garrison as being involved in the conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.

Inasmuch as information in the attached teletype was obtained from news media, no dissemination is being made of it.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI 62-109060 AND DALLAS 89-43

FROM NEWORLEANS 89-69

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,

DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.

MISC. INFO CONCERNING OO DALLAS.

THE NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM, RED COMET EDITION, MAY THREE INSTANT, REPORTED THAT LORAN E. HALL, SOUGHT BY DISTRICT ATTORNEY JIM GARRISON AS A WITNESS IN HIS KENNEDY ASSASSINATION PROBE, HAS CHANGED HIS MIND ABOUT FIGHTING EXTRADITION TO LOUISIANA. THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT HALL SAID AT A NEWS CONFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES YESTERDAY THAT HE HAS "REFRESHED" HIS MEMORY AND NOW BELIEVES HE HAS INFORMATION THAT MIGHT SUPPORT THE THEORY THAT PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY'S DEATH WAS THE RESULT OF A CONSPIRACY.

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, HALL SAID HE SAW EDGAR EUGENE BRADLEY OF NORTH HOLLYWOOD DURING A MEETING IN SAN FERNANDO IN NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AND HEARD SOME CASUAL DISCUSSION ABOUT "GETTING RID" OF KENNEDY. HALL REPORTEDLY

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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SAID BRADLEY TOOK NO PART IN THE DISCUSSION.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT HALL TOLD NEWSMEN THAT THE MEETING WAS AT A PRIVATE HOME TO RAISE FUNDS TO EQUIP GUERRILLAS WITH ARMS FOR AN INVASION OF CUBA. HE SAID SOME "ANTI-JEWISH AND ANTI-NEGRO RADICALS" ATTENDED THE GATHERING.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT BRADLEY LATER TOLD NEWSMEN THAT HE DOES NOT REMEMBER MEETING HALL. THE ARTICLE STATED BRADLEY CALLED HALL'S ALLEGATIONS "ABSOLUTELY FALSE" AND STATED "I WILL TAKE A LIE DETECTOR TEST ON THIS. IT IS INTERESTING THAT HALL WOULD COME UP WITH A STATEMENT LIKE THIS." BRADLEY WAS ALSO QUOTED AS SAYING, " HE WAS OBVIOUSLY WELL COACHED AND DOING IT FOR AN ALTERIOR MOTIVE. "

THE ARTICLE ALSO REPORTED HALL SAID THREE ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE ON HIS LIFE SINCE HIS NAME WAS MADE PUBLIC BY GARRISON. HALL ALLEGED SOMEONE PASSING HIM IN A KERNVILLE, CALIFORNIA, BAR INJECTED HIM WITH HEPATITIS

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VIRUS, PUTTING HIM IN A HOSPITAL FOR TWO MONTHS. HE ALSO CLAIMED A CAR TRIED TO RUN HIM OFF THE ROAD AND THAT HIS OWN CAR FELL APART AFTER BEING TAMPERED WITH.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT HALL SAID, "I HAVE OTHER INFORMATION WHICH GARRISON MIGHT USE IN DESCRIBING AN ANTI-CASTRO MEETING IN DALLAS IN MID-OCTOBER, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, A MONTH BEFORE KENNEDY WAS KILLED, HALL SAID THERE WAS TALK OF EVERYONE CHIPPING IN "A COUPLE OF THOUSAND DOLLARS" FOR THE CUBAN CAUSE ASSERTING ONE MAN SUGGESTED RAISING FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS "TO GET KENNEDY ZAPPED".

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NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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CC- MR. SULLIVAN

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: May 7, 1968

FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

The Student Union Board in conjunction with the Junior Class of American University, Washington, D. C., has announced that it is holding a Spring Weekend 5/11-12/68 which will be entitled "The Soul of Dixie." A program has been prepared by the sponsoring body at American University which sets forth the events which will be held in connection with this Spring Weekend.

The program of events (attached) listed for Sunday, 5/12/68, notes that James Garrison, the controversial District Attorney of the Parish of Orleans, will espouse his theories on the Kennedy assassination and the Warren Report and that Mr. Garrison's speech will be followed with a reception in the Hughes-McDowell Connecting Lounge of American University.

OBSERVATIONS:

In past public appearances, Garrison has viciously attacked President Lyndon B. Johnson, the Warren Commission, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Dallas Police Department and other state and federal agencies. There is no reason to believe that Garrison's scheduled appearance at American University will differ from other past public appearances by Garrison.

ACTION:

EX-116

Attached for dissemination to the White House and to the Attorney General is a short memorandum advising of Garrison's scheduled appearance at American University Sunday, 5/12/68.

Enclosures

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- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. J. P. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. N. P. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. A. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. R. E. Lenihan

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Spring Weekend Committee  
Student Association Office  
Mary Graydon Center  
The American University  
Washington, D. C. 20016

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

May 6-8  
10:00-4:00

Monday-Wednesday  
Voting for King and Queen in Mary Graydon Center

May 10  
2:00-5:00

Friday  
Turtle International, Campus Competition  
Woods-Brown Amphitheater (in case of inclement weather - Leonard Gym)

8:30-12:30

Formal Dance at the Mayflower Hotel, Grand Ballroom  
Connecticut Avenue at DeSales Street, N.W.  
Awards, Coronation of King and Queen, Court Basie Orchestra

May 11  
11:00-2:30

Saturday  
Turtle International, Worldwide Competition  
Woods-Brown Amphitheater (in case of inclement weather - Leonard Gym)

8:00-10:00

James Brown Revue  
Reeves Athletic Field

May 12  
2:00-4:00

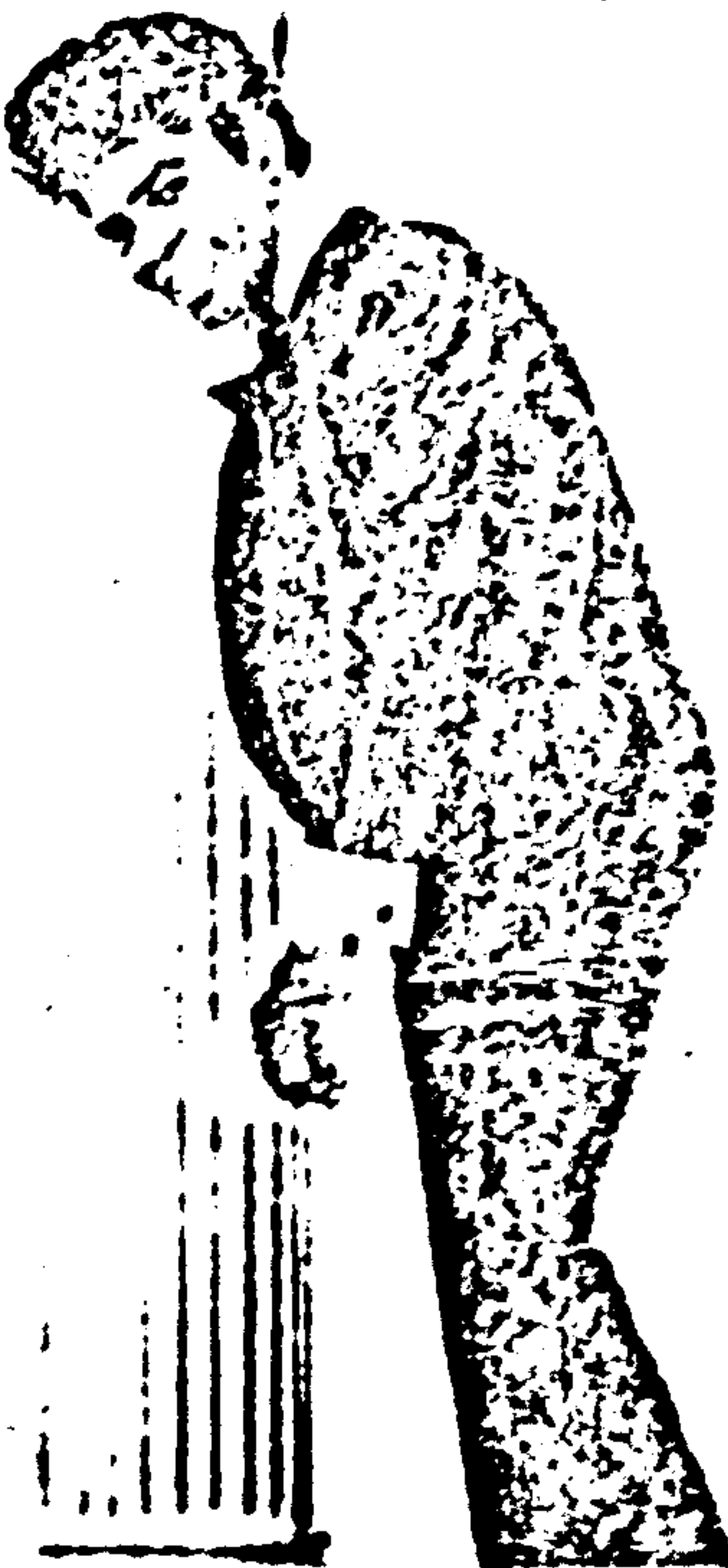
Sunday  
The Honorable James Garrison, District Attorney, Parish of Orleans, speaking on the assassination of John F. Kennedy, in the Woods-Brown Amphitheater (in case of inclement weather - Leonard Gym)

4:00-5:00

Reception with Mr. Garrison in Hughes-McDowell Connecting Lounge



JAMES GARRISON



COUNT BASIE



# The Soul of Dixie

Spring Weekend, a legend in its own time, will climax this year's social calendar. The *Soul of Dixie* will come alive at The American University with events of unique proportion.

Commencing the festivities will be a campus wide election for this year's newest innovation, the King and Queen of Dixie. On Friday and Saturday, the Muscular Dystrophy fund will be increased from the revenues raised through *Turtle International*, the tournament of terrapins, in which schools from as far away as Russia will send their entries to compete.

Then, the Count Basie Orchestra will supply the sound and soul that made Dixie famous. Located in the luxurious gold-gilted ballroom of the Mayflower Hotel, the young damsels and gentlemen of A.U. will dance the night away with the Count.

The Highlight of Spring Weekend will be Saturday night. Bring your blanket, your pillow, and your date to Reeves Athletic Field, where under the stars, the one and only *Mr. Dynamite*, James Brown (not to mention his 57-member entourage), will supply the most spectacular concert ever to be presented at this school.

To cap off this gala weekend will be the controversial District Attorney of the Parish of Orleans, Mr. James Garrison, who will espouse his theories on the Kennedy assassination and the Warren report, followed by a reception in the Hughes McDowell Connecting Lounge.

The Spring Weekend Committee, the Student Union Board, and the Junior Class promise to provide the most enjoyable extravaganza of the century! Don't miss *The Soul of Dixie*.

- DOUGLAS BALDAUF BERNON

THE STUDENT UNION BOARD  
in conjunction with the Junior Class  
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SPRING WEEKEND 1968  
THE SOUL OF DIXIE

SPRING WEEKEND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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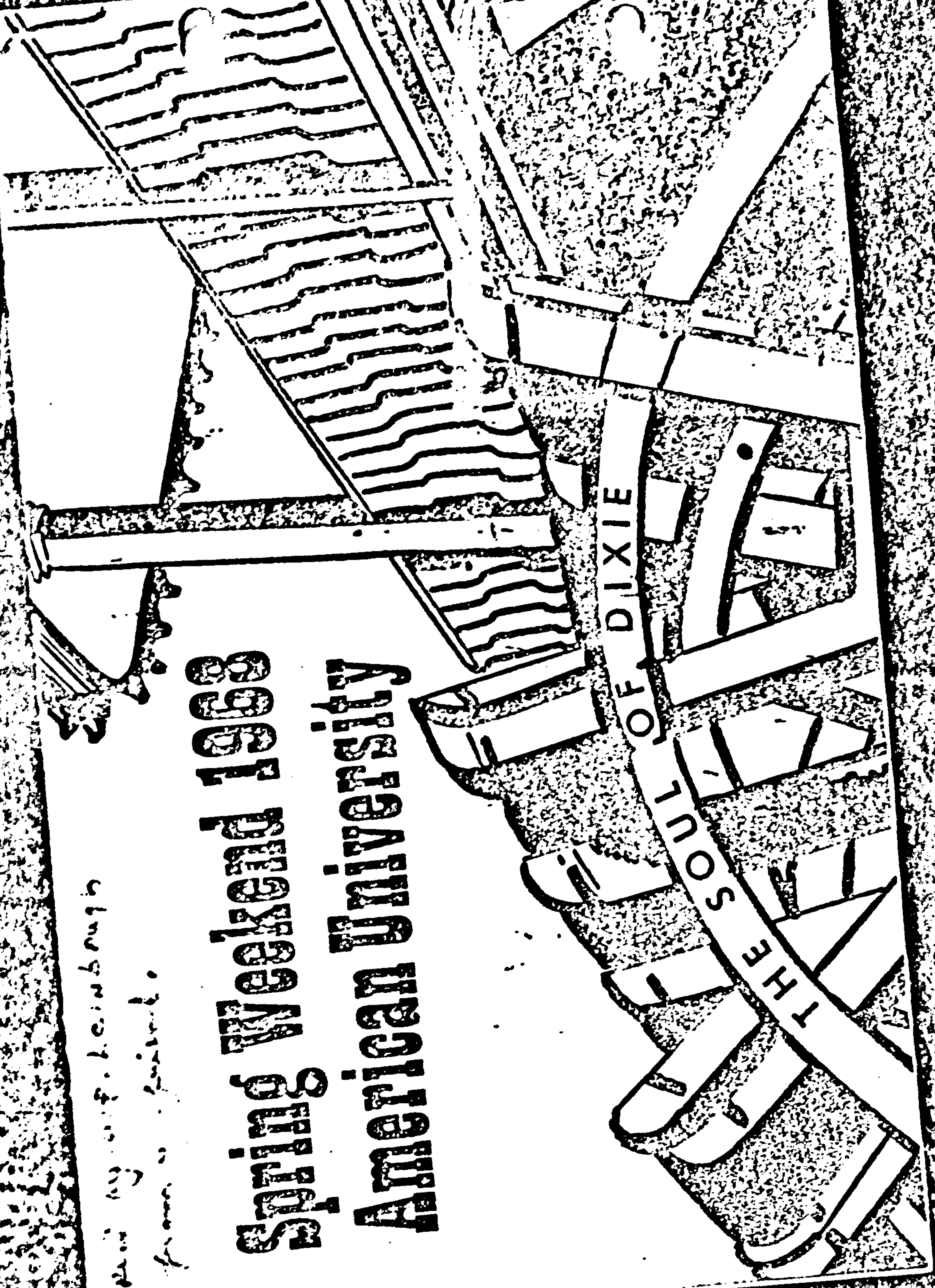
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**ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS**

The Student Union Board in conjunction with the Junior Class of The American University, Washington, D. C., has announced that it is holding a Spring Weekend May 11-12, 1968, which will be entitled "The Soul of Dixie." A program has been prepared by the sponsoring body at The American University which sets forth the events which will be held in connection with this Spring Weekend.

The program notes that James Garrison, "the controversial District Attorney of the Parish of Orleans," will espouse his theories on the Kennedy assassination and the Warren Report from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, May 12, 1968. The program also notes that following Mr. Garrison's speech, a reception will be held with Mr. Garrison in the Hughes-McDowell Connecting Lounge of The American University.

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NOTE:

See memorandum Mr. W. A. Branigan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, captioned as above, dated 5/7/68, prepared by REL:as.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 5/8/68

Attached relates to the pending trial of Clay L. Shaw, who has been charged by New Orleans District Attorney Garrison with conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.

Since attached received from news media, no further dissemination being made of same.

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4-15 PM URGENT 5-8-68 MMW

TO DIRECTOR 62-109060 AND DALLAS 98-435

FROM NEW ORLEANS 98-69

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,

DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.

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RE NEW ORLEANS TELCALL TO BUREAU INSTANT DATE.

NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM, RED FLASH EDITION, MAY EIGHT INSTANT, REPORTED THAT THE OFFICE OF DISTRICT ATTORNEY JIM GARRISON TODAY SET THE TRAIL OF CLAY L. SHAW FOR JUNE ELEVEN, NEXT. THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT SHAW'S ATTORNEYS SAID YESTERDAY THEY INTEND TO SEEK RELIEF FOR THEIR CLIENT IN FEDERAL COURT.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY JAMES L. TALCOCK SAID TODAY IN A STATEMENT ON THE TRAIL DATE; "NOW THAT MR. SHAW'S DEFENSE ATTORNEYS HAVE EXHAUSTED THEIR PRE-TRIAL ACTIONS, THE LAW PERMITS THE STATE TO SET THE CASE FOR TRIAL."

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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*Re: Shaw*

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"TODAY WE HAVE SET THE TRIAL OF CLAY L. SHAW FOR JUNE ELEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTYEIGHT.

"TRIAL OF THIS CASE HAS BEEN DELAYED UNDULY LONG AND IT IS OUR HOPE THAT WE CAN GO TO TRIAL ON THIS DATE.

"THE DEFENSE ATTORNEYS HAVE STATED THAT THEY INTEND TO TRY AND CARRY THEIR PRE-TRIAL PROCEEDINGS INTO FEDERAL COURT.

"INASMUCH AS THE FEDERAL COURTS HAVE ABOUT AS MUCH JURISDICTION OVER THIS CASE AS THE COURTS OF ENGLAND OR INDIA, WE SEE NO BASIS FOR ANY ADDITIONAL DELAY OF THE TRIAL ON THIS ACCOUNT.

"OF COURSE, THERE HAVE BEEN INSTANCES RECENTLY WHEN FEDERAL COURTS HAVE ASSUMED JURISDICTION WHERE, IN OUR JUDGEMENT, NO BASIS FOR JURISDICTION HAS EXISTED.

"HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF THE EXTENSIVE EFFORT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO INTERFERE WITH AND OBSTRUCT OUR INVESTIGATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION, I AM SURE THAT NO FEDERAL

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CC. MR. SULLIVAN

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JUDGE WILL ALLOW HIS COURT TO BE USED AS A SANCTUARY FOR FURTHER DELAY."

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT EDWARD F. WEGMANN, ONE OF SHAW'S LAWYERS, ISSUED A BRIEF STATEMENT YESTERDAY WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:

"IN RESPONSE TO MANY INQUIRIES DIRECTED TO MY COLLEAGUES AND MYSELF, I AM AUTHORIZED TO STATE THAT AS COUNSEL OF SHAW, WE DO INTEND TO SEEK RELIEF ON BEHALF OF MR. SHAW IN THE FEDERAL COURT SYSTEM."

<sup>MEMO</sup>  
NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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FBI WASH DC

Mr. W. C. Sullivan

5/2/68

W. R. Wannall

LESLIE NORMAN BRADLEY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

Bradley, who has been listed as a suspect in New Orleans District Attorney Garrison's investigation of President Kennedy's assassination, has emphatically denied complicity in the assassination and our investigation indicates he was not involved. Assistant Attorney General Yeagley, who requested that Bradley be checked out, has already been provided substantial evidence that Bradley could not have been involved and is now being furnished results of interview with person who confirmed Bradley was in Wichita, Kansas, at time of the assassination. We are discontinuing our inquiries.

Our memorandum 2/6/68 noted Bradley spent three years in a Cuban prison prior to Spring of 1963 and that there had been speculation he was released from the prison for purpose of coming to U.S. to assassinate the President. It was shown therein that in May, 1963, we had furnished Yeagley the results of a very probing interview of Bradley on 5/15/63, immediately upon his return to the U.S., and that there was very little likelihood he had been given any assignment to carry out in the U.S. since he gave what appeared to be a logical accounting of the circumstances surrounding his imprisonment and subsequent release. It was noted, since we did not have documentary proof of Bradley's whereabouts on the date of the assassination, we were undertaking investigation to locate Bradley and to pinpoint his whereabouts during the pertinent period.

After tracing Bradley through several states, he was eventually located at Miami, Florida, and volunteered his full cooperation. He specified individuals who saw him on 11/22-23/63 and a substantial number have confirmed his presence in Wichita, Kansas, during the pertinent period.

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① - 62-109060 (Assassination of President Kennedy) -

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach

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1 - Mr. B. A. Mullins

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DUPLICATE YELLOW

Memorandum W. R. Wannall to Mr. W. C. Sullivan  
RE: LESLIE NORMAN BRADLEY  
105-88336

Assistant Attorney General Yeagley has already been furnished a memorandum covering the interview of Bradley concerning his whereabouts on 11/22-23/63 and other memoranda tending to confirm Bradley's presence in Wichita at the time. Kansas City has now provided a memorandum showing a fellow employee in Wichita recalls Bradley's exact reaction when told of the President's assassination.

OBSERVATIONS:

In reviewing this matter, it is seen that Bradley, a drifter and soldier of fortune, created suspicion because he reacted so strongly at the news of the President's death and added to this suspicion by abruptly leaving Wichita the following day. He came to Garrison's attention because an official at the New Orleans Airport recalled seeing Bradley sleeping in the Airport around the time of the assassination. Bradley has explained his reaction at the time of the assassination as being based on his immediate conviction that a conspiracy involving Cubans had caused the assassination and that he felt he could prove this by getting to Miami and talking to knowledgeable Cuban exiles. The pilot who took Bradley from Wichita to New Orleans on 11/23/63 confirms Bradley was trying to get to Miami, which Bradley did accomplish after several days delay in New Orleans. His theory was exploded when he could not even get the Cuban exiles to talk to him about the assassination.

Garrison has apparently dropped any interest in Bradley as, when threatened with a subpoena by one of Garrison's investigators who claimed he had six witnesses who could prove Bradley traveled from Dallas to New Orleans by bus on the day after the assassination, Bradley told the investigator to go ahead and subpoena him as he had positive proof of his flight from Wichita to New Orleans on that date. Bradley has not heard from Garrison's office since that time. There is no indication Bradley was in any way involved in the assassination and no further investigation by us is indicated.

ACTION:

Attached is letter to Assistant Attorney General Yeagley transmitting the memorandum corroborating Bradley's whereabouts and advising that we contemplate no further investigation of this matter.

4/25/68

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AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-88336)  
FROM: SAC, KANSAS CITY (105-1827) (RUC)  
RE: LESLIE NORMAN BRADLEY  
IS - CUBA  
OO: MINNEAPOLIS

- Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, dated 4/10/68.

- Enclosed for the Bureau are 5 copies of a Letterhead Memorandum reflecting results of investigation conducted at Wichita, Kansas. Two copies of the same Letterhead Memorandum are enclosed for Minneapolis and 1 for Miami for their information, since subject is residing in their territory.

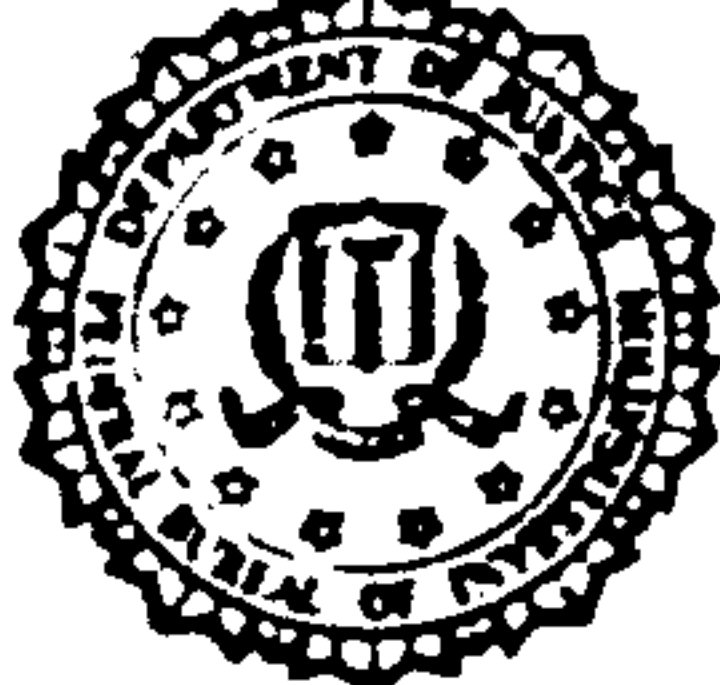
Investigation was conducted at Wichita, Kansas by SA RICHARD L. ECKBERG.

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Kansas City, Missouri

April 25, 1968

LESLIE NORMAN BRADLEY

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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On April 17, 1968, Mrs. Hazel Crosswhite, 1452 North Bluff, Wichita, Kansas, advised she is the mother of Jack Flournoy, who owned and operated the Flournoy Flying Service in Wichita, Kansas, for a number of years. Mrs. Crosswhite said she was employed in the business and did most of the office work. Mrs. Crosswhite said she is certain she was not in the office the day President Kennedy was assassinated and recalls positively she was in the beauty shop that day having her hair fixed. Mrs. Crosswhite said she did not come back to the office that day and could not be certain now if Leslie Norman Bradley was working for them at that time.

Mrs. Crosswhite said she recalls Bradley being employed as Chief Pilot for Flournoy Flying Service for a short period, but cannot now recall the dates and has no idea what happened to the records since they sold the business.

Mrs. Crosswhite said she is positive they never had anyone by the name of "Pat" work for them as a secretary or in the office in any capacity. Mrs. Crosswhite said they had a Mrs. Eugene Mc Nutt employed for a short time and a Mrs. Bev Brown, also was employed for a short time, but did not recall if they were employed during the time President Kennedy was assassinated.

Mrs. Crosswhite said she thought they had a pilot employed about that time by the name of Charles Seitz who might recall Bradley.

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ENCLOSURE

LESLIE NORMAN BRADLEY

On April 17, 1968, Mrs. Eugene Mc Nutt (Lea), 1127 West 29th Street, South, Wichita, Kansas, advised she was employed for a very short time by Flournoy Flying Service as a secretary, but this was in 1964 and not in 1963. Mrs. Mc Nutt said she did not know Leslie Norman Bradley.

On April 17, 1968, Mrs. Mary Beverly Brown, 2036 West 24th Street North, Wichita, Kansas, advised she had been employed by Flournoy Flying Service as a secretary from August, 1964, to December 8, 1964. Mrs. Brown said she was not employed at the time the President was assassinated and does not know Leslie Norman Bradley.

On April 19, 1968, Charles Seitz, 7708 Watson Lane, Wichita, Kansas, advised he is presently employed as a pilot for Redwing Aviation Company, Augusta Municipal Airport, Augusta, Kansas. Mr. Seitz said he was employed at one time by Flournoy Flying Service and was employed at the time Leslie Bradley was employed. Seitz said he was at the Flournoy Flying Service the day President Kennedy was assassinated and recalls when Bradley learned of the assassination of President Kennedy he became very excited and said something about having to go to Miami, Florida right away. Seitz said he is positive Bradley was in Wichita, Kansas, on November 22, 1963 and recalls Bradley left either that same afternoon or the following morning and presumed he had gone to Miami.

Mr. Seitz said he does not know how Bradley left Wichita and does not know why Bradley became so excited when he learned of the President's assassination. Mr. Seitz said he has no knowledge of Bradley's activities after leaving Wichita and does not know why Bradley said he had to leave immediately for Miami.

Mr. Seitz said he does not know anyone by the name of "Pat", who ever worked for Flournoy Flying Service.



Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

Director, FBI 62-109060

LESLIE NORMAN BRADLEY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach  
1 - Mr. A. Rosen  
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan  
1 - Mr. Branigan (Lenihan)

May 3, 1968

1 - Mr. W. R. Wannall  
1 - Mr. R. A. Mullins

Reference is made to your letter dated January 22, 1968, requesting investigation concerning the subject and to our various memoranda in response thereto, the most recent of which was dated April 10, 1968, at Los Angeles, California.

Enclosed is a copy of a memorandum dated April 25, 1968, at Kansas City, Missouri, which contains corroborating information concerning Bradley's presence in Wichita, Kansas, during the pertinent period in November, 1963. With regard to the information on page two of the enclosure which shows that a fellow employee recalled that Bradley became very excited when he learned of President Kennedy's assassination and indicated he must go to Miami, Florida, immediately, it is noted that our memorandum dated March 14, 1968, at Miami, Florida, which contains the results of our interview of Bradley on March 5, 1968, contains specific comments from Bradley concerning the basis for his strong reaction. During the interview, Bradley pointed out that, upon hearing of the assassination, he was greatly shocked and became "possessed" with the conviction that a conspiracy involving Cubans had caused the President's death.

Since our investigation has failed to indicate that Bradley received or carried out any assignment in the United States on behalf of the Cuban Government, since his presence in Wichita, Kansas, at the time of the assassination has been established and since there is no evidence to indicate he has any knowledge concerning the actual assassination of President Kennedy, we contemplate no further investigation in this matter.

In accordance with your specific request, this memorandum is being forwarded directly to you.

Enclosure

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Mr. J. Walter Yeagley  
Assistant Attorney General

NOTE:

Mr. Yeagley specifically requested that all information concerning this matter be forwarded directly to him since dissemination in the Department of previous background material had been limited to a very few people.

See memorandum W. R. Wannall to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 5/2/68, captioned "Leslie Norman Bradley, IS - CU," prepared by RAM:epi.

# Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. C. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. J. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. N. P. Callahan

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

DATE: May 1, 1968

FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

- 1 - Mr. A. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. R. E. Lenihan

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
 JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
 NOVEMBER 22, 1963,  
 DALLAS, TEXAS

*[Handwritten signatures and initials]*

The purpose of this memorandum is to briefly summarize the allegations involving William S. Walter, former Security Patrol Clerk, New Orleans Office. Walter alleges New Orleans Office received a teletype from Bureau Headquarters 11/17/63 reporting a threat to President Kennedy in Texas. Assistant Attorney General Fred M. Vinson, Jr., by letter dated 4/29/68, requested to be furnished results of FBI applicant investigation of Walter prior to his employment by Bureau, as well as any information which would suggest or indicate Walter is or has been subject to mental aberration or stress. Mr. Vinson also requested to be advised if Bureau recommends interview of numerous former employees of New Orleans Office on duty 11/17/63. Letter replying to Mr. Vinson is attached for approval.

BACKGROUND:

*Wm S. Walter - 10/2/73*

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New Orleans District Attorney James C. Garrison alleged on Johnny Carson television show 2/1/68 Walter, a former Security Patrol Clerk of the New Orleans Office, informed Mark Lane, current Garrison assistant, that New Orleans Office of FBI received message from Bureau Headquarters 11/17/63 reporting threat to President Kennedy in connection with latter's trip to Texas. On 2/1/68 Walter contacted Special Agent in Charge (SAC) D. K. Brown of Jacksonville Office and denied Garrison's allegation. On 2/5/68 Walter contacted SAC Robert Rightmyer of New Orleans Office and again denied Garrison's allegation and reported Mark Lane and others were attempting to pressure him to furnish information regarding alleged FBI teletype 11/17/63 to them. On 3/15/68 Walter contacted United States Attorney Louis LaCour in New Orleans and told LaCour and two of latter's assistants, there was such FBI message 11/17/63. Walter was interviewed by SAC Robert G. Jensen of Memphis Office and insisted there was an FBI teletype alleging a threat to President Kennedy received by New Orleans Office 11/17/63 and that he reported receipt of same to Mr. Harry Maynor who was then SAC at New Orleans. Mr. Maynor interviewed 3/27/68 and denied receipt of such communication and stated allegations of Walter unequivocally false.

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Memorandum to Mr. W. J. Sullivan  
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
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We interviewed 53 employees of New Orleans Office who were on duty in New Orleans 11/17/63 and all denied any knowledge of such FBI communication. Thorough check of records at Seat of Government, New Orleans and Dallas disclosed there was no such communication.

[REDACTED]

CURRENT INTEREST:

By letter 4/29/68 Assistant Attorney General Fred M. Vinson, Jr., of the Department requested to be furnished results of Bureau's applicant investigation of Walter and any other information which would suggest or indicate Walter is or has been subject to mental aberration or stress. Vinson also requested to be advised how many former employees of the Bureau's New Orleans Office (approximately 127) were employed in New Orleans Office 11/17/63 and whether Bureau has any recommendations regarding interview of such employees at this time.

OBSERVATIONS:

Because of the numerous conflicting statements being made by Walter in this matter, Department apparently desires to gain a Keener insight of Walter through review of Bureau's applicant investigation reports. There are 11 such applicant investigation reports and no derogatory information concerning Walter is contained in them.

[REDACTED] It is felt such information would be responsive to Mr. Vinson's request whether Walter is or has been subject to mental aberration or stress. In view of this, it is believed we should make available to Mr. Vinson results of our applicant investigation of Walter [REDACTED]

OBSERVATIONS AND ACTION CONTINUED OVER

\* Since November 1963



# Memorandum

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: April 29, 1968

FROM : Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

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129-11

SUBJECT: Assassination of President  
John Fitzgerald Kennedy  
Dallas, Texas, November 22, 1963

With reference to the Bureau's memoranda of April 1, 4 and 6, 1968, we would appreciate being advised how many of the approximately 127 former employees of the Bureau's New Orleans office were employed in that office during the day of the event described by William S. Walter, and whether the Bureau has any recommendations regarding interview at this time of such employees. In addition, for the purpose of evaluating what, if any, additional action is necessary, we would appreciate receiving a copy of the Bureau's applicant investigation of Walter prior to his employment by the Bureau, as well as any information which would suggest or indicate that Walter is or has been subject to mental aberration or stress.

Please be assured that any information you furnish concerning Mr. Walter will be used solely within the Department and will receive no further dissemination.

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Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

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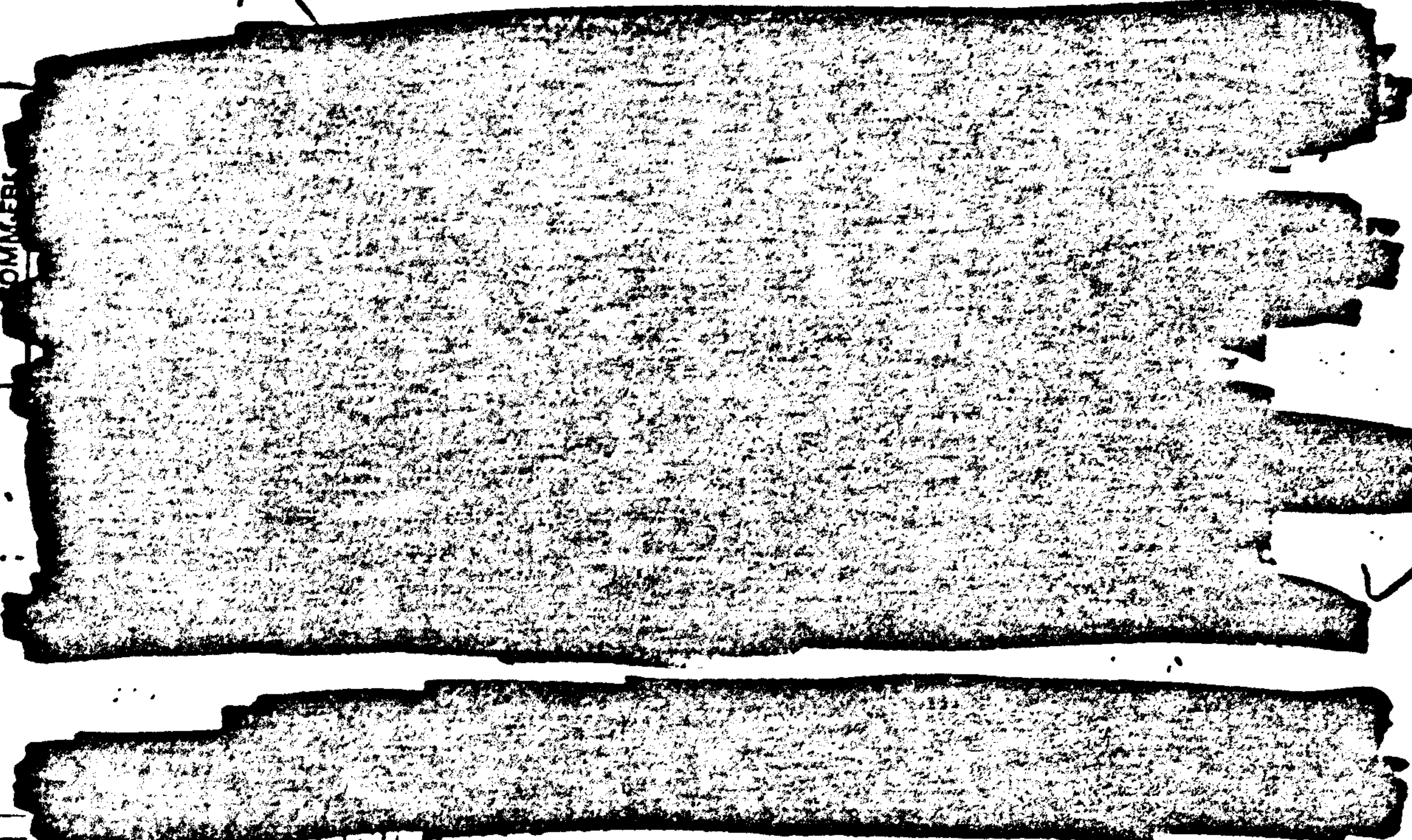
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963,  
DALLAS, TEXAS

Reference is made to your communication in captioned matter dated April 29, 1968, your reference "FMV:CWB:km; 129-11."

In accordance with your request, there are enclosed 11 FBI investigative reports which set forth results of this Bureau's applicant investigation of William S. Walter. Former FBI employee.



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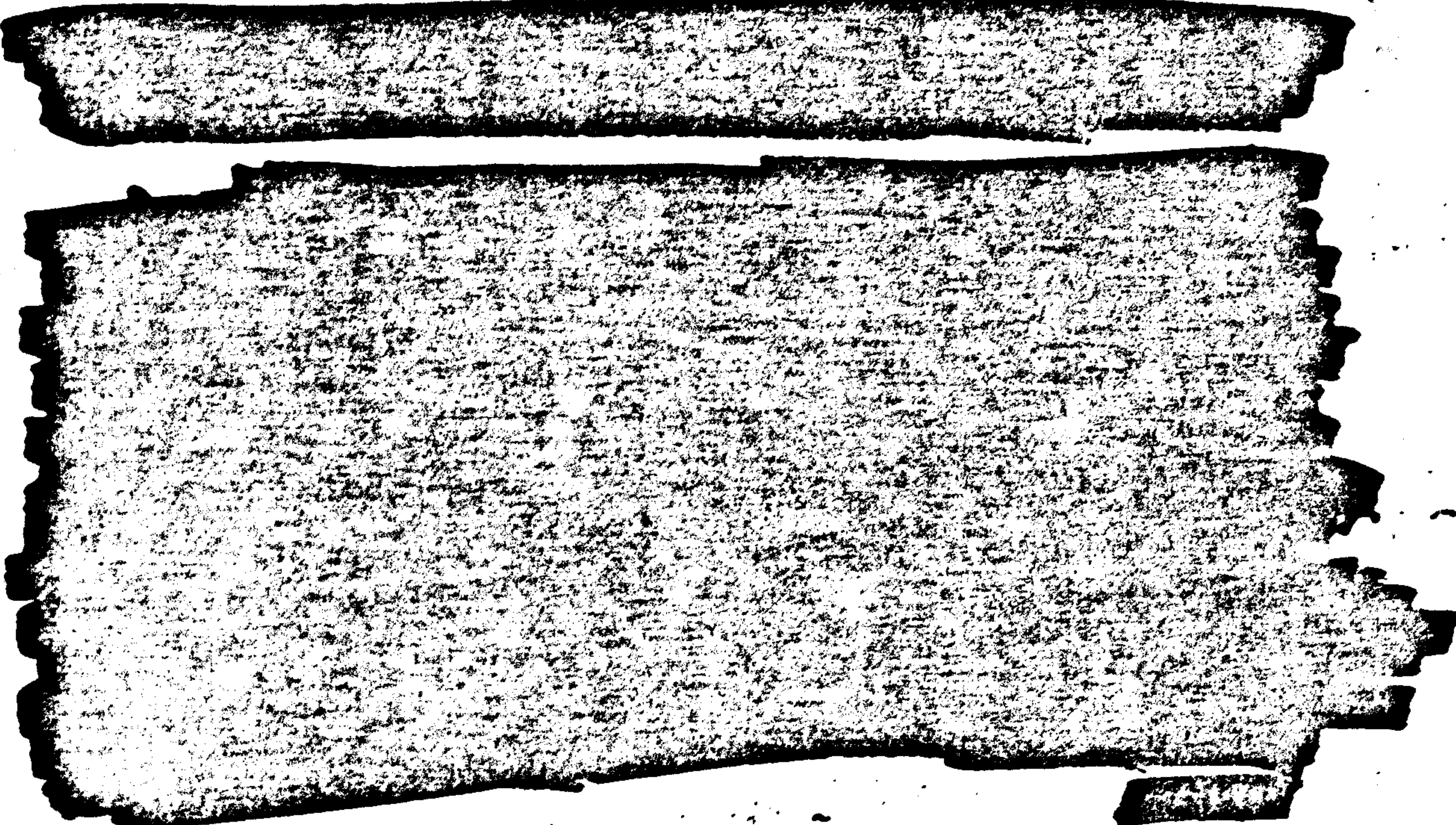
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Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General



Walter voluntarily submitted his resignation from the FBI by letter dated August 24, 1966. He was on probation at that time. Walter requested in his letter of resignation that consideration be given to removing the stigma of probation from his record. However, since Walter had not completed his probationary period at the time of his resignation, his request that his probation be removed was not approved.

In connection with your request to be advised how many of the approximately 127 former employees of this Bureau's New Orleans Office were employed in that office November 17, 1963, and whether this Bureau has any recommendations regarding interview at this time of such employees, please be advised that such information is not readily available in our files and can be obtained only through a tedious, painstaking review of our payroll records. We do not feel such an undertaking has merit at this time in view of the conflicting and false data being furnished by William S. Walter in this matter.



Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr.  
Assistant Attorney General

It is to be noted that we have already interviewed 53 employees of our New Orleans Office who were assigned to such office November 17, 1963, and that none of these individuals possess any knowledge of an alleged FBI communication dated November 17, 1963, reporting a threat to President Kennedy in Texas. In addition, Mr. Harry Maynor who was Special Agent in Charge of our New Orleans Office on November 17, 1963, has advised that Walter never contacted him to report receipt of an FBI communication of November 17, 1963, of the type in question. Mr. Maynor has further advised that Walter's allegations in this matter are unequivocally false.

In view of the above, we do not feel that the cost and effort to identify, locate and interview former employees of our New Orleans Office who were assigned to such office on November 17, 1963, are justified at this time.

Enclosures - 11

NOTE: See memorandum Mr. W. A. Branigan to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, dated 5/1/68, captioned "Assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, November 22, 1963, Dallas, Texas," prepared by REL:as.

The 11 applicant investigation reports being transmitted to Assistant Attorney General Vinson as enclosures to this letter are identified as follows:

<u>Report of</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Office</u>
SA William A. Temple	5/15/61	Springfield, Illinois
SA Richard J. Doyle	5/18/61	San Antonio, Texas
IC Albert E. Hines	5/18/61	Baltimore, Maryland
SA Richard W. Moesch	5/18/61	Savannah, Georgia
SE James W. Estep	5/18/61	St. Louis, Missouri
SA Coleman D. Geary, III	5/20/61	Birmingham, Alabama
SA H. Warren Tool, Jr.	5/22/61	New Orleans, Louisiana
SA Percy Y. Richardson	5/25/61	New Orleans, Louisiana
IC Albert E. Hines	7/12/62	Baltimore, Maryland
SA Charles Donald Byron	7/27/62	New Orleans, Louisiana
SA Chester J. Willett	8/1/62	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Date: 5/10/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
DALLAS, TEXAS,  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963  
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Enclosed for the Bureau are six (6) copies of a LHM setting forth results of interview conducted with AUSA HARRY E. CONNICK, EDLA, New Orleans, La., by Bureau Agent on 5/10/68. This interview was conducted in connection with CONNICK's conversation with LYNN LOISEL, an investigator on the staff of District Attorney JAMES GARRISON.

One copy of this LHM is being disseminated to the USA, EDLA, New Orleans, La., and two copies to Dallas.

An information copy is being furnished to Memphis since Memphis may interview William S. Walter in connection with instant matter.

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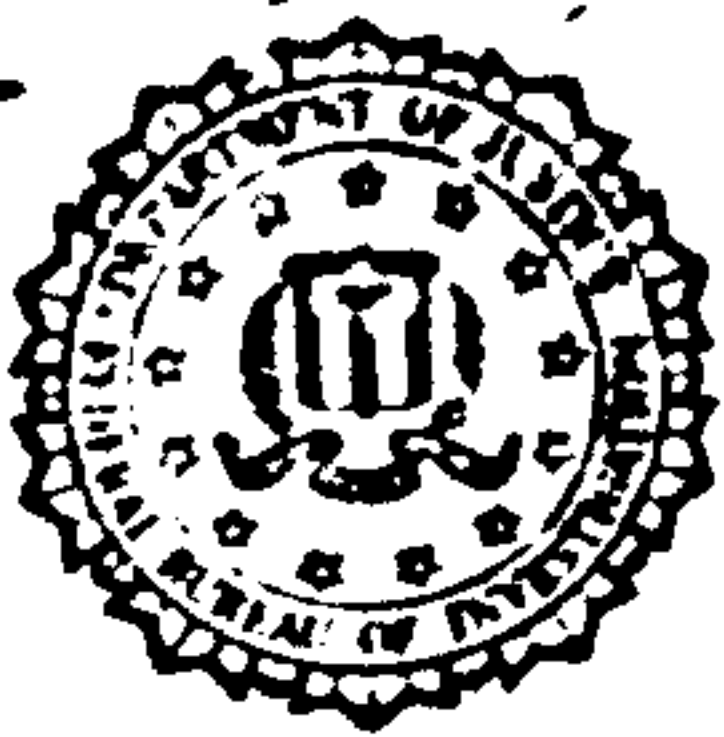
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In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

New Orleans, Louisiana  
May 10, 1968

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
DALLAS, TEXAS,  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963

Assistant United States Attorney Harry F. Connick, Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, Louisiana, was interviewed in the offices of the United States Attorney, New Orleans, by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) on May 10, 1968, relative to Mr. Connick's conversation with Lynn Loisel on the evening of May 6, 1968. Mr. Connick advised as follows:

Lynn Loisel, an officer with the New Orleans, Louisiana, Police Department is presently assigned to the staff of the District Attorney, Orleans Parish, as an investigator. Mr. Connick has been acquainted with Loisel for approximately six years, having first met him when Mr. Connick was serving as a defense attorney with the Legal Aid Bureau in Orleans Parish.

At approximately 7:00 p.m. on May 6, 1968, Mr. Connick was returning from his office and as he approached his residence, 233 20th Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, he observed Loisel place something in the trunk of his (Loisel's) car which is a tan Chevrolet. Mr. Connick has been previously aware that Loisel is a friend of Joseph Muller, 231 20th Street, New Orleans, and that Loisel occasionally visits with Muller.

Mr. Connick and Loisel greeted each other approximately halfway between the Connick residence and the Muller residence. After exchanging greetings, Mr. Connick decided to avail himself of this opportunity to see if Loisel would make any

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JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,  
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NOVEMBER 22, 1963**

comment concerning William S. Walter whom Mr. Connick was aware had visited the offices of the United States Attorney along with the Walter personal attorney in connection with the possibility that Walter might receive a subpoena in connection with the District Attorney's Office, Orleans Parish, investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy. Mr. Connick therefore made casual mention of the name William S. Walter and while at first Loisel, in Mr. Connick's opinion, pretended not to recognize the name, Mr. Connick asked Loisel if he knew why William S. Walter would contact the office of the United States Attorney. Loisel replied, "Because he took a Government document."

Mr. Connick stated that he did not submit any further questions to Loisel in connection with Walter or in connection with the Kennedy investigation and that Loisel did not make any further comment himself concerning these matters. Loisel did not offer to identify the Government document allegedly taken by Walter nor did Mr. Connick specifically ask concerning this Government document.

The conversation then drifted to non-specific matters, and no further mention was made by either Mr. Connick or Loisel concerning William S. Walter.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)

FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

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DALLAS, TEXAS, 11/22/63  
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Enclosed for the Bureau is a newspaper article appearing in the New Orleans States-Item, Red Comet edition, 5/3/68, concerning above captioned matter.

One copy each of this newspaper article is enclosed for Dallas and Miami.

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# California Man Ready to Talk In JFK Probe

A California man sought by District Attorney Jim Garrison as a witness in his Kennedy assassination probe has changed his mind about fighting extradition to Louisiana.

Loran E. Hall, who earlier refused to answer a subpoena to appear here before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury and won his point in California courts, now

says he won't fight extradition.

HALL SAID AT a news conference in Los Angeles yesterday that he has "refreshed" his memory and now believes he has information that might support the theory that President John F. Kennedy's death was the result of a conspiracy. Hall said he saw Edgar Eugene Bradley, 49, of North Hollywood during a meeting in San Fernando in 1963 and heard some casual discussion about "getting rid" of Kennedy.

He said Bradley, the West Coast representative of a broadcast evangelist, took no part in the discussion. Bradley has been accused by the DA of conspiring to murder the president.

HALL TOLD NEWSMEN that the meeting was at a private home to raise funds to equip guerrillas with arms for an invasion of Cuba. He said some "anti-Jewish and anti-Negro radicals" attended the gathering.

Bradley told newsmen later yesterday that he does not remember meeting Hall.

"I will take a lie detector test on this," said Bradley, who called Hall's allegations "absolutely false."

"It is interesting that Hall would come up with a statement like this," Bradley said. "He was obviously well coached and doing it for an ulterior motive."

SINCE HIS NAME was made public by Garrison, Hall said, three attempts have been made on his life.

Hall said someone passing him in a Kernville, Calif., bar injected him with hepatitis virus, putting him in a hospital for two months. He said a car tried to run him off the road and that his own car fell apart after being tampered with.

"I have other information which Garrison might use," Hall said, describing an anti-Castro meeting in Dallas in mid-October, 1963, a month before Kennedy was killed. There was talk, he said, of everyone chipping in "a couple of thousand dollars" for the Cuban cause, asserting one man suggested raising \$5,000 "to get Kennedy zapped."

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# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Louis C. LaCour  
United States Attorney

DATE: May 7, 1968

FROM : Harry F. Connick *7/22*

SUBJECT: William Walter

On Monday, May 6, 1968, at approximately 7:00 P.M., I saw Mr. Lynn Loisel, Police Investigator, D. A.'s Office New Orleans, coming from my neighbor's (next door) home. Having known Mr. Loisel for some time, we spoke briefly and the name of Walter came up. Mr. Loisel stated that Walter had a "Government document", referring to a communication which was received by the FBI relative to the assassination of President Kennedy.

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United States Department of Justice

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70130

May 7, 1968

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Robert E. Rightmyer  
Special Agent in Charge  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Federal Building  
701 Loyola  
New Orleans, Louisiana

Re: William Walter

Dear Mr. Rightmyer:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a memorandum submitted to me this date by my Assistant, Harry F. Connick.

It is hereby requested that the FBI interview Mr. Walter to determine if he, upon his leaving the employ of the Department of Justice, took with him any government documents, and more specifically copies of any teletype communications that may have been received by the New Orleans office of the FBI.

Very truly yours,

*Louis C. LaCour*  
LOUIS C. LaCOUR  
United States Attorney

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*William Walter*  
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*Handwritten notes:*  
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R. [unclear]  
S. [unclear]

Re New Orleans telephone call to Bureau, May 8, 1968.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four (4) copies of a letter from USA LOUIS C. LA COUR, Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, dated May 7, 1968, requesting that the FBI interview WILLIAM WALTER to determine whether or not upon leaving the employ of the Department of Justice he took with him any Government documents and more specifically, copies of any teletype communications received by the New Orleans Office of the FBI. Also enclosed are four (4) copies of a memorandum dated May 7, 1968, from Assistant U. S. Attorney HARRY E. CONNICK to Mr. LOUIS C. LACOUR, USA, in connection with this matter.

In accordance with Bureau instructions, acknowledgment has been made to USA LA COUR of the receipt of his letter by this office and he has been advised that his request for interview of WILLIAM WALTER has been referred to the Department of Justice.

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No action is being taken by the New Orleans Office to interview WILLIAM WALTER and no action will be taken to do so until advised to the contrary by the Bureau.

on 5/10/68, [unclear] referred by W.A. [unclear] to [unclear] HUSA [unclear] thereafter Walter [unclear] N.O. [unclear] office to interview Walter.

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PREPARE AND PRESENT ITS CASE AGAINST RETIRED NEW ORLEANS  
BUSINESSMAN CLAY L. SHAW.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT GARRISON SAID THE MATERIAL  
IS NEEDED BECAUSE HIS OFFICE HAS GATHERED SUBSTANTIAL  
EVIDENCE TO INDICATE THAT KENNEDY WAS STRUCK BY BULLETS FIRED  
FROM THREE DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS. THE PHOTOGRAPHS AND X-RAYS  
GARRISON CLAIMS WILL ALSO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE FATAL HEAD  
WOUNDS WERE THE RESULT OF SHOTS FIRED FROM THE FRONT OF  
THE PRESIDENT AS HE WAS RIDING IN A MOTORCADE IN DALLAS. THE  
ARTICLE STATED THAT THE PHOTOGRAPHS AND X-RAYS WERE ORDER  
SEALED BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON AT THE REQUEST OF THE KENNEDY  
FAMILY.

*Memo*  
NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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MR. SULLIVAN