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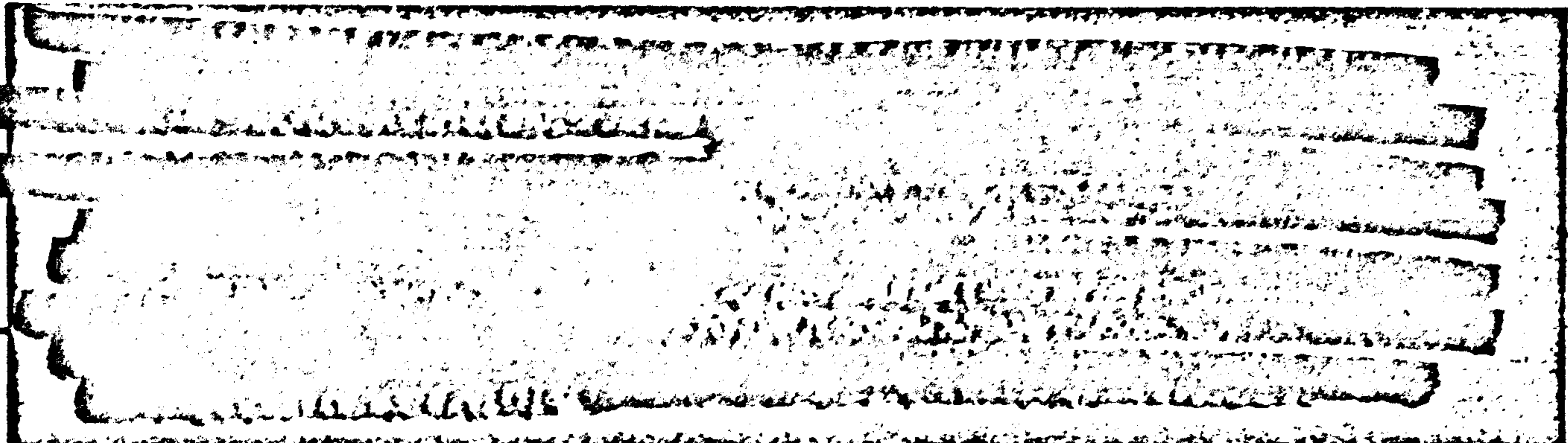
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NOVEMBER 22, 1963,
DALLAS, TEXAS

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News media have reported that John Manchester, Henry E. Palmer, Corrie C. Collins, Reeves Morgan and Edwin Lea McGehee were the first five witnesses for the prosecution in the trial of Clay L. Shaw.



Both Manchester and Palmer have been identified as members of the Ku Klux Klan in Clinton and Palmer was Exalted Cyclops in August, 1964.

Corrie C. Collins was active in 1963 and 1964 in the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) in Clinton.

In January, 1968, we learned that Reeves Morgan alleged that Lee Harvey Oswald was in the Clinton and Jackson areas. We learned also that Morgan alleged he furnished this information to the FBI at some time after the assassination of President Kennedy. We made a thorough review of our files at the time and found no record that

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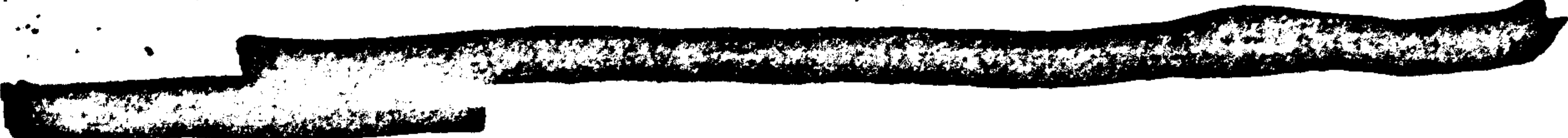
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I thought this information would be of interest to you.

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Copies of these articles are enclosed for Dallas and Miami.

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Garrison to Open Shaw Trial for State

District Attorney Jim Garrison will personally make the state's opening statement to the jury in the trial of Clay L. Shaw, the States-Item learned today.

Garrison, whose investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy led to the indictment of Shaw on charges of conspiring to kill the President, has made only one brief appearance so far in the 12-day-old trial.

But courthouse sources today indicated he will make a lengthy statement of the state's case as soon as the jury selection process is completed.

Jury selection continued to drag on today. A panel of 12 has been sworn in, but two alternates must still be picked.

JUDGE EDWARD A. HAGGERTY JR. summoned 150 jurors to appear this morning, but only 144 showed up. Of these, 103 were quickly excused for medical reasons, fixed opinions or financial problems.

Questioning of the remaining 41 potential jurors began shortly before noon.

Thus far in the trial, most of the state's courtroom work has been done by assistant DA James Alcock, named by Garrison as chief prosecutor before the trial got under way.

ASKED TODAY IF GARRISON would make the opening statement, Alcock nodded affirmatively and said: "Yes, I believe so."

In court today for the first time was author Mark Lane, a leading critic of the Warren Commission which reported that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in killing

Kennedy on Nov. 22, 1963. Garrison contends Shaw conspired with Oswald and others to kill the President.

LANE SAT BEHIND THE STATE'S table and conferred frequently with assistant DA Alvin Oser.

Courtroom observers expressed some hope that the two alternate jurors would be picked today, so that the opening statements by both state and defense could come tomorrow.

Each side has a peremptory challenge, by which it can reject a juror without giving a reason, for each of the alternates.

The state used one of its challenges Saturday, and will get no more until the first alternate is chosen.

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GARRISON'S OPENING STATEMENT may answer the question which has been raised all through the trial. Will the state attempt to prove that the alleged conspiracy involving Shaw actually resulted in the death of Kennedy?

Under the state conspiracy law, the prosecution is only required to show a conspiracy involving Shaw existed, and that an overt act in furtherance of the object of the conspiracy was committed.

But Garrison, in subpoenaing former Gov. John Connally of Texas and other persons who were present in Dealey Plaza when Kennedy was shot, has indicated he intends to put the Warren Report on trial and challenge its version of what happened there.

LAST WEEK, FEDERAL JUDGE Charles E. Halleck Jr. of General Sessions Court in Washington gave Garrison until Wednesday to make clear his intentions, so Halleck can decide whether autopsy reports and photos on Kennedy are relevant to the Shaw case.

GARRISON IS SEEKING a court order for the record to be released, maintaining it would help back up his claim that Kennedy died in a crossfire, instead of being slain by Oswald alone.

Meanwhile, it was learned that officials in Houston have notified Garrison that Connally and his wife will testify as state witnesses.

The Connallys were riding in the car in which Kennedy was shot in Dallas. Garrison subpoenaed them last week.



—Associated Press photo

CLAY SHAW WEARS A SMILE as he arrives for his third week in court on charges he conspired to murder President John F. Kennedy. Usually Shaw and his attorneys drive into Parish Prison next to the court but today he jokingly told newsmen "we had to catch the bus because we are getting poor."

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Trial of Shaw 13th Day; Juror Needed

The trial of Clay L. Shaw moved into its 13th day today with 13 men on the jury panel, and Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. had hopes his luck would change and the jury could be completed today.

Needed before testimony can begin is one more alternate juror. The 12th man on the actual jury was sworn in Saturday, and the first alternate was picked yesterday.

Shaw, 55, is on trial in Criminal District Court on charges of conspiring to kill President John F. Kennedy, who was shot to death in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963.

THE ALTERNATE chosen yesterday is Joseph Beilman Jr., 26, a Kalvar Corp. employe.

Judge Haggerty summoned more potential jurors, called "tales" jurors because they were called after the regular panel was exhausted, into court today and said he expected the final panelist would come from this group.

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JURY VERDICTS ISSUE IS RAISED

Law Trial Puts State Law in Spotlight

By BILL ABBOTT

Among the many legal questions that may be raised by the Clay L. Shaw conspiracy trial, one of some importance to Louisianians is whether or not the state law on jury verdicts is constitutional.

Judge Edward A. Haggerty in response to an earlier query explained to newsmen Monday afternoon that current Louisiana law provides that only nine of the 12 jurors need agree on guilt or innocence in non-capital cases before a verdict can be rendered.

The question of constitutionality comes up through the Sixth and 14th Amendments to the United States Constitution. The Sixth Amendment provides trial by jury under federal law and the 14th gives all citizens the general guarantees of "due process" and "equal protection" in the state legal systems.

The problem is whether or not the states themselves must always provide jury trials to meet the "due process" mandate, and then what kind of jury and verdict systems are required.

In recent years the Supreme Court of the United States has dealt extensively with the rights of the accused, and in a 1968 decision involving a Plaquemines Parish man (Duncan v. Louisiana) did consider the jury question.

Judge Haggerty in relation to the Shaw trial provided news media with excerpts from this decision and said that on the basis of the court's comments and an included survey of state jury laws, there is yet no Supreme Court objection to Louisiana's nine of 12 verdict provision. Thus the judge said, "I will charge it to be the law."

The judge would not venture a guess on whether Shaw, if convicted, could take his case to the U.S. Supreme Court through an objection to the nine of 12 rule. The possibility does exist nevertheless, and it is not completely unforeseeable that the Louisiana law could be seriously questioned on constitutional grounds through the Shaw case or another case in the future.

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First Alternate Chosen for Jury in Shaw Trial

Judge Optimistic Second Will Be Picked Today

By CLARENCE DOUCET

The first of two alternate jurors was selected Monday afternoon in the Clay L. Shaw conspiracy trial.

Selection of the second alternate is now all that stands in the way of the actual presentation of evidence in the trial. Judge Edward A. Haggerty, who is hearing the case, expressed optimism that the second alternate will be agreed upon Tuesday, in which case the trial will begin Wednesday.

Another 150 special prospective jurors have been ordered to be present in Judge Haggerty's court at 10 a. m. Tuesday, bringing to 600 the total of these special prospective jurors ordered since all of the jury lists of the various sections of the Criminal District Court were exhausted last Thursday.

The first alternate selected at 3:11 p. m. Monday was John Joseph Beilman Jr., a 26-year-old group leader for Kalvar Corp. He is married and resides at 4440 Gentilly rd.

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After Beilman's selection, the state exercised the only peremptory challenge to which it is entitled for the selection of the second alternate. The state excused Arthur E. Wagner, 5245 MacArthur Blvd., a manufacturing and testing engineer for Chrysler Corp. Space Division.

Judge Haggerty adjourned the trial shortly after 4 p.m., but just before adjournment the defense filed a motion seeking a protective order from the court for one of its key witnesses, Sandra Moffett McMaines.

In essence, the motion asks that Mrs. McMaines be granted immunity from prosecution by the District Attorney's office during her presence here. The

motion says she is concerned about a complaint sworn out by the DA's office on March 27, 1967, claiming she is a material witness, and if she comes to New Orleans to testify she is concerned that her "constitutional and legal rights" will be ignored by the DA.

ORAL ARGUMENTS

Judge Haggerty said he would have oral arguments on the motion between the close of jury selection and the start of the trial.

If the second alternate is selected on Tuesday, Judge Haggerty says he will adjourn the trial immediately until Wednesday morning. On Wednesday morning he will hear arguments on the defense motion entered Monday and other motions still pending. After these matters are heard, he will call a brief recess, and following the recess, the trial will be started.

District Attorney Jim Garrison will personally make the state's opening statement, and it is expected his statement will be the equivalent, approximately of 15 typewritten pages.

The defense has indicated that it, too, may make an opening statement, although it has not made a definite decision.

A total of 135 names of prospective jurors was acted upon Monday.

Before Beilman's selection as the first alternate, the defense exercised its only peremptory challenge in the first alternate selection to excuse Calvin A. Griffin, a foreman for the U. S. Post Office. Beilman was questioned for nearly 30 minutes.

After the defense filed its motion for a protective order for Mrs. McMaines, Judge Haggerty indicated that the hearing on the motion would be held after the jury selection is complete.

Mrs. McMaines was an acquaintance of Perry Raymond Russo, who is the state's star witness against Shaw. At a preliminary hearing in March, 1967, Russo testified that he heard Shaw, Lee Harvey Oswald and David W. Ferrie, discuss the assassination of President Kennedy. Russo claims Mrs. McMaines, then known as Sandra Moffett, was at the party where he overheard the conversation. He said the party was held in mid-September, 1963, at Ferrie's apartment here.

Mrs. McMaines has denied having attended such a party, and a deposition accompanying the motion quotes her as saying she wasn't at the party. Shown a picture of Shaw, she reportedly said, "No, I've never seen him before." The deposition was taken last June 24 in Des Moines, Iowa.

Shaw is charged with having conspired with Oswald and Ferrie in plotting to assassinate President Kennedy. The Warren Commission Report said Oswald, acting alone, killed the President.

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Excuse 96 in Quest for Last Shaw Juror

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Also today, the state issued a subpoena to Time Inc., in New York for the film of the assassination taken by Abraham Zapruder of Dallas.

Zapruder took the film in Dealey Plaza, then sold it to Life Magazine for \$25,000. Copies of it were used extensively by the Warren Commission, and several frames appear in the report's exhibit volume.

LAST YEAR, Garrison subpoenaed the original film, contending the Warren Commission saw only a copy with certain frames missing. Time Inc., produced not the original, but a copy made before the frames were damaged. It was shown to the Orleans Parish Grand Jury on March 28, 1968, and returned.

Today's subpoena for the film was returnable Feb. 25, indicating the state plans to take nearly three weeks to present its case.

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ABOUT 50 more potential jurors were on tap for this afternoon's session. The first alternate juror was picked yesterday.

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Re Dallas airtel to Bureau, 1/13/69.

Enclosed for New Orleans, for information, is one copy of referenced Dallas airtel, together with a Xerox copy of Mr. HAROLD WEISBERG's letter and the chart which were enclosed for the Bureau with referenced Dallas airtel.

Enclosed for each of the Bureau and New Orleans is one Xerox copy each of a three-page document received by the Dallas Office from _____, Security Officer, Hunt Oil Company, Dallas, on 2/5/69.

For the information of the Bureau and New Orleans, the PENN JONES of Midlothian, mentioned in the document made available by _____ is the editor of the "Midlothian Mirror" newspaper, Midlothian, Texas, who has also written a book on the assassination of President KENNEDY. The document furnished by _____ on 2/5/69 is captioned "Garrison File" and is being furnished the Bureau and New Orleans for information only and no investigation is being conducted and no LHM is being submitted.

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RE: GARRISON FILE

I had a visit from [redacted] of Austin, Texas, who said that he wanted to explain the chart which he drew, which had H. L. Hunt's and my name on it. He said that he in no wise meant to infer that either H. L. Hunt or myself had anything to do with the assassination and that he was merely drawing it up to show that Andy Anderson, one of Jack Ruby's closest friends, had never been thoroughly checked and, that no matter how hard he had tried, he always got people who defended Anderson or failed to give information about him.

[redacted] said that he was not antagonistic toward Mr. Hunt; that Garrison had never indicated hostility toward Mr. Hunt. He did admit that Garrison had checked out --and had him check on-- various stories involving Mr. Hunt, all of which proved to be untrue.

He said that he was broke and needed a job. That he really wanted a job and preferred to have some one back him in writing a book, not about the assassination but about the Garrison investigation. He requested that I help him find a publisher who would advance money or private individual who would pay him a salary while he wrote. He said that Harold Weisberg was in his opinion instrumental, together with a fellow named Finsterwald, in getting Garrison down on him. He said they convinced Garrison that he was a CIA man and it was on that basis that he received a telegram firing him. He fears for his life. He believes that had he met Garrison in New Orleans at the time of his dismissal he would have been murdered. He said that Garrison was mentally unbalanced at times.

He says that Garrison is putting all of his faith in "Farewell America" (except the part about H. L. Hunt which is in the book).

[redacted] is friendly with Penn Jones of Midlothian.

He knows of no one who will tell the true story.

He admitted that the James Bradley indictment was motivated by Garrison for publicity reasons rather than on fact, but that after the indictment Garrison had come up with information which would indicate that Bradley lived across the street from Perrin and that Perrin was in the conspiracy with Clay Shaw. [redacted] says that the information is incorrect as the man who lived across the street only looked like Bradley, that Bradley was in Germany at the time.

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I told [redacted] that I would take under advisement what he had proposed. He then produced a flyer that he had drawn and suggested that the "Farewell America" book be distributed by Mr. Hunt. I attach a copy of what he proposes. He said that Penn Jones had the distribution rights for "Farewell America" for the Western United States and that an outfit called "Bookmasters" out of New York had the distribution rights for the Eastern United States. He said that Penn Jones was afraid to distribute the book because it was libelous. I told [redacted] that we would feel the same way about it, and he suggested that the people involved who were libelled might want to distribute it and that that would be a way of exposing the deficiencies of the book.

It was apparent that [redacted] was nervous and may really believe that Garrison is determined to either assassinate him or completely ruin him by disclosures out of his office.

[redacted] has in his possession, already written, 28,000 words on his book, together with some of Garrison's memos and Garrison's notes. He said that he has entrusted these to his wife's lawyer.

He believes that the Clay Shaw trial will be dropped in the middle of the trial and that Garrison will blame him, the government of the United States, and particularly the CIA, for thwarting any successful prosecution by failure to disclose pertinent facts that Garrison has subpoenaed.

He said that Garrison's staff has a contact in the Supreme Court through one of the clerks whereby they get advance notice of Supreme Court decisions.

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On 2/6/69, [redacted] and currently affiliated with [redacted] Dallas,

Texas, telephone [redacted] personally appeared at the Dallas Office and furnished the following information to Field Supervisor ROBERT P. GEMBERLING and myself with a request that it be held in the strictest of confidences:

[redacted] stated that on Friday, 1/31/69, he was contacted by ED WEGMANN who has been CLAY SHAW's civil attorney for some time, at which time ED WEGMANN inquired if [redacted] would consent to a meeting on Sunday, 2/2/69. [redacted] stated he did meet with Attorney ED WEGMANN at which time WEGMANN advised that he and the other attorneys representing CLAY SHAW had used a number of investigators among whom were several former FBI Agents, which [redacted] did not identify by name. He stated according to WEGMANN, the defense attorneys for SHAW have determined that there was a "feed back" on information developed to District Attorney JAMES GARRISON's office. [redacted] stated it was not inferred that the former FBI Agents were the ones who had been responsible for the "feed back." He stated MR. WEGMANN indicated that the defense attorneys needed someone outside the State of Louisiana to assist them in their investigations.

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[redacted] stated that he agreed to check out state witnesses or potential state witnesses whose names come up from time to time that the defense learns District Attorney GARRISON proposes to use in the trial of CLAY SHAW.

[redacted] stated that thus far, he has checked out two witnesses whose names he did not reveal, who were referred to him by Attorney ED WEGMANN. [redacted] commented that "they are both nuts." [redacted] emphasized that his agreement with Attorney ED WEGMANN is to do no investigation except background on such individuals whose identities are furnished by MR. WEGMANN.

[redacted] concluded by stating that Attorney ED WEGMANN has stated that the defense of CLAY SHAW is going to do everything possible to uphold the Warren Report.

[redacted] was thanked for making the above information available without any comment whatsoever except that his visit would be made a matter of record.

The above is furnished the Bureau and New Orleans for its information and no letterhead memorandum is being submitted.

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

FROM NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTY-TWO, NINETEEN SIXTY-THREE;
MISC. DASH INFORMATION CONCERNING: 00: DALLAS.

RE NEW ORLEANS TELETYPE, FEBRUARY SIX, LAST.

THE NEW ORLEANS "TIMES-PICAYUNE," THE MORNING NEWS-
PAPER PUBLISHED AT NEW ORLEANS, LA., IN ITS FEBRUARY SEVEN
ISSUE REPORTED THAT FIVE WITNESSES WERE CALLED BY THE
PROSECUTION AND TESTIFIED DURING THE AFTERNOON OF FEBRUARY
SIX.

THE FIRST WITNESS WAS IDENTIFIED AS EDWIN LEE MC GEHEE
DESCRIBED AS A BARBER FROM JACKSON, LA. MC GEHEE WAS
EXHIBITED A PHOTOGRAPH OF AN INDIVIDUAL AND IDENTIFIED IT
AS LEE OSWALD. MC GEHEE THEN TESTIFIED AT SOMETIME IN
"LATE AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTY-THREE,"
OSWALD CAME INTO HIS BARBER SHOP AND MC GEHEE WAS ALONE AT
THAT TIME. MC GEHEE TESTIFIED THAT PRIOR TO OSWALD ENTERING
HIS SHOP HE HAD OBSERVED AN OLD BATTERED CAR DRIVE UP AND
A MAN GET OUT OF THIS CAR. THERE WAS A WOMAN IN THE FRONT

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SEAT AND HE OBSERVED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A BABY BASSINET IN THE BACK SEAT. OSWALD REMAINED IN THE SHOP GETTING A HAIR CUT FOR ABOUT FIFTEEN MINUTES AND DURING THE CONVERSATION REFERRED OSWALD TO REEVES MORGAN, THE STATE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EAST FELICIANA PARISH, LA., ABOUT OBTAINING A JOB AT THE EAST LOUISIANA STATE HOSPITAL. HE TESTIFIED HE ALSO TOLD OSWALD THAT HE WOULD HAVE A BETTER CHANCE OF OBTAINING THIS JOB IF HE WERE A REGISTERED VOTER.

MC GEHEE TESTIFIED THAT THE FIRST TIME HE OBSERVED OSWALD'S PHOTOGRAPH WAS THE DAY OF THE ASSASSINATION AND HE TOLD HIS WIFE THAT HE RECOGNIZED OSWALD FROM SOMEWHERE. MC GEHEE TESTIFIED THAT HE LATER MENTIONED TO MORGAN THAT OSWALD WAS THE PERSON MC GEHEE HAD SENT TO MORGAN ABOUT A JOB. MC ^GGEHEE ALSO TESTIFIED THAT HE DID NOT MENTION THIS INCIDENT TO ANY FEDERAL AGENTS UPON CROSS EXAMINATION BY THE DEFENSE. MC GEHEE DESCRIBED OSWALD AS A VERY NEATLY DRESSED AND CLEAN SHAVEN AND HE WAS IMPRESSED BY OSWALD'S

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NEAT APPEARANCE. MC GEHEE TESTIFIED THAT THE REASON HE HAD WAITED FIVE YEARS TO COME FORWARD WITH THIS INFORMATION WAS BECAUSE "NO ONE APPROACHED ME."

THE SECOND PROSECUTION WITNESS WAS IDENTIFIED AS REEVES

~~MORGAN~~ MORGAN DESCRIBED AS A FOUNDRY WORKER FROM JACKSON, LA., WHO T.M.

WAS STATE REPRESENTATIVE FROM EAST FELICIANA PARISH IN NINETEEN ⁺SIXTY THROUGH SIXTY-FOUR. MORGAN TESTIFIED THAT OSWALD CAME TO HIS HOME IN THE LATTER PART OF AUGUST EARLY SEPTEMBER, SIXTY-THREE, INQUIRING ABOUT OBTAINING A JOB AT THE EAST LOUISIANA STATE HOSPITAL. HE TESTIFIED THAT HE CONVERSED WITH OSWALD FOR ABOUT TWENTY TO TWENTY-FIVE MINUTES AND TOLD OSWALD HE COULD NOT HELP HIM GET A JOB BUT THAT OSWALD SHOULD OBTAIN AN APPLICATION FORM AND TAKE A CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION. MORGAN TESTIFIED HE TALKED TO OSWALD AS LONG AS HE DID BECAUSE HE DID NOT WANT TO GIVE OSWALD THE IMPRESSION HE WAS "BRUSHING HIM OFF." HE TESTIFIED THAT HE TOLD OSWALD THAT IT "WOULDN'T HURT" IN

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SEEKING EMPLOYMENT IF OSWALD WERE A REGISTERED VOTER.

MORGAN TESTIFIED THAT AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY HE RECOGNIZED NEWSPAPER PICTURES OF OSWALD AS BEING THE SAME MAN WHO INQUIRED ABOUT THE HOSPITAL JOB. MORGAN TESTIFIED HE CONTACTED THE FBI THE DAY AFTER SEEING OSWALD'S PICTURE IN THE NEWSPAPER AND THE FBI "THANKED HIM" BUT TOLD HIM THEY ALREADY KNEW THAT OSWALD HAD BEEN IN THE VICINITY OF JACKSON AND THE FBI NEVER DID SEND ANYONE TO TALK TO MORGAN ABOUT THE MATTER.

THE THIRD PROSECUTION WITNESS IS IDENTIFIED AS JOHN

MANCHESTER, DESCRIBED AS THE TOWN MARSHAL OF CLINTON, LA.

HE TESTIFIED THAT ONE DAY IN AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER, SIXTY-THREE, HE OBSERVED A BLACK CADILLAC VEHICLE PARKED NEAR THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE AT CLINTON. HE SAID HE WAS IN THE VICINITY OF THE VOTERS OFFICE BECAUSE A DRIVE WAS BEING CONDUCTED BY CIVIL RIGHTS WORKERS IN CLINTON TO GET MORE NEGROES ON THE VOTING ROLL. HE DESCRIBED THE CAR AS EITHER A SIXTY-ONE OR SIXTY-TWO. HE TESTIFIED THERE WERE TWO MEN SITTING

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IN THE FRONT SEAT AND UPON TALKING TO THE MAN BEHIND THE WHEEL THIS INDIVIDUAL REPLIED "HE WAS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART IN NEW ORLEANS." THEREAFTER MANCHESTER POINTED A FINGER AT CLAY L. SHAW WHO WAS SEATED IN THE COURTROOM AND IDENTIFIED SHAW AS THE PERSON BEHIND THE WHEEL IN THE CADILLAC. MANCHESTER DID NOT DESCRIBE THE OTHER INDIVIDUAL IN THE VEHICLE. MANCHESTER TESTIFIED THAT HE DID RECOGNIZE SHAW AGAIN WHEN HE SAW SHAW'S PHOTOGRAPH IN A NEWSPAPER AFTER SHAW WAS ARRESTED AND CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

IN REPLY TO A DEFENSE QUESTION AS TO HOW HE COULD REMEMBER THE FACE OF A MAN HE FIRST SAW FIVE YEARS AGO AND FOR ONLY A PERIOD OF TWO MINUTES, MANCHESTER REPLIED THAT IT IS HIS JOB TO REMEMBER^B FACES AND THAT ALTHOUGH HE MAY NOT REMEMBER NAMES, HE DOES NOT FORGET FACES. UPON QUESTIONING BY THE DEFENSE MANCHESTER SAID HE DID NOT REPORT THIS INFORMATION TO FEDERAL AUTHORITIES BECAUSE "IF THEY WANTED IT THEY SHOULD HAVE COME FOR IT."

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THE FOURTH PROSECUTION WITNESS WAS IDENTIFIED AS ~~HENRY~~
~~E. PALMER~~, DESCRIBED AS THE EAST FELICIANA PARISH REGISTRAR.
OF VOTERS. PALMER TESTIFIED THAT DURING THE SUMMER OF NINE-
TEEN SIXTY-THREE OSWALD WAS ONE OF TWO WHITE MAN^E STANDING
IN A LONG VOTER REGISTRATION LINE AND WHICH LINE CONSISTED
PREDOMINATLY OF NEGROES. PALMER TESTIFIED THAT WHEN
OSWALD'S TURN IN LINE CAME OSWALD^D SHOWED HIM A UNITED STATES
NAVY IDENTIFICATION CARD AND TOLD PALMER HE WAS SEEKING A
JOB AT THE HOSPITAL IN JACKSON. PALMER SAID HE TALKED TO
OSWALD FOR ABOUT FIFTEEN^I TO TWENTY MINUTES DURING WHICH
TIME HE TOLD OSWALD THAT HE DID NOT HAVE TO BE A REGISTERED
VOTER TO GET THE JOB BUT THAT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF OSWALD
KNEW EITHER THE MAYOR OF JACKSON^A, OR A STATE REPRESENTATIVE,
OR THE BUSINEE^S MANAGER OF THE HOSPITAL.

PALMER SIAD THAT DURING THE TIME OSWALD WAS STANDING
IN LINE HE SAW A BLACK CADILLAC PARKED OUTSIDE OF HIS
OFFICE CONTAINING TWO INDIVIDUALS. UPON BEING SHOWN A
PHOTOGRAPH OF DAVID FERRIE BY THE PROSECUTION, PALMER TESTIFIED
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THAT THE PHOTOGRAPH RESEMBLED THE MAN WHO WAS SEATED ON THE PASSENGER SIDE IN THE CADILLAC. WHEN ASKED IF SHAW RESEMBLED THE MAN BEHIND THE WHEEL, PALMER TESTIFIED THAT HE DID. PALMER FURTHER TESTIFIED THAT HE SAW THIS CAR ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS BETWEEN TEN THIRTY AM AND THREE THIRTY PM AND DURING THIS SAME PERIOD OSWALD WAS PRESENT IN THE REGISTRATION LINE. PALMER TESTIFIED THAT THE VEHICLE WAS GONE WHEN HE CLOSED HIS OFFICE AT FIVE FORTY-FIVE PM.

PALMER TESTIFIED THAT HE RECOGNIZED OSWALD'S PICTURE IN THE NEWSPAPERS AFTER THE ASSASSINATION BUT DID NOT RECOGNIZE SHAW'S PHOTOGRAPHS IN THE NEWSPAPERS AFTER SHAW WAS ARRESTED.

THE FIFTH^U PROSECUTION WITNESS WAS IDENTIFIED AS CORRI
C. COLLINS, DESCRIBED AS A MAIL HANDLER FOR THE UNITED
STATES POST OFFICE, IN BATON ROUGE, LA. COLLINS TESTIFIED
THAT IN EITHER LATE AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER, SIXTY-THREE,
HE WAS AT THE TIME HEAD OF THE CLINTON CHAPTER OF THE
CONGRESS OF RACIAL EQUALITY(CORE), WHICH WAS CONDUCTING
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A VOTER REGISTRATION PROGRAM IN CLINTON.

HE TESTIFIED THAT HE OBSERVED A BIG BLACK CAR DRIVE UP TO THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE AND WHEN SHOWN A PHOTOGRAPH OF A BLACK CADILLAC SAID, "THIS WOULD BE THE SAME CAR." HE TESTIFIED THAT IT WAS APPROXIMATELY NINE THIRTY TO TEN O'CLOCK AM AND THAT HE OBSERVED A MAN GET OUT OF THE BACK SEAT OF THE CAR AND ENTER THE REGISTRAR OF VOTERS OFFICE WHILE THE OTHER TWO MEN REMAINED IN THE CAR. UPON QUESTIONING COLLINS POINTED A FINGER TO SHAW AND IDENTIFIED SHAW AS THE PERSON BEHIND THE WHEEL OF THE CAR. UPON BEING SHOWN A PHOTOGRAPH OF FERRIE, COLLINS IDENTIFIED THIS PHOTOGRAPH AS THE OTHER MAN WHO WAS IN THE CADILLAC.

UPON QUESTIONING COLLINS BY THE DEFENSE, COLLINS STATED THAT AFTER THE ASSASSINATION HE HAD OBSERVED PHOTOGRAPHS OF OSWALD AND RECOGNIZED OSWALD AS THE INDIVIDUAL HE HAD OBSERVED IN CLINTON. COLLINS TESTIFIED HE DID MENTION TO A STATE POLICEMAN AFTER THE ASSASSINATION THAT HE HAD SEEN OSWALD IN CLINTON, AND THAT HE WAS NEVER QUESTIONED BY

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THE FBI. UPON BEING QUESTIONED BY THE DEFENSE AS TO HOW HE BECAME A WITNESS COLLINS REPLIED "THEY CAME TO ME A FEW MONTH^S AFTER THE DEFENDANT WAS ARRESTED." THE PROSECUTION OBJECTED WHEN THE DEFENSE ASKED COLLINS IF HE KNOW WHY HE WAS CONTACTED BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, AND THIS OBJECTION WAS SUSTAINED BY THE JUDGE.

WHEN ASKED BY THE DEFENSE WHY HE HAD NOT COME FORWARD WITH THIS INFORMATION EVEN THOUGH HE WAS AWARE THAT EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION WAS BEING CONDUCTED REGARDING OSWALD AND THE ASSASSINATION, COLLINS REPLIED THAT HE DID NOT REPORT THIS INFORMATION BECAUSE "NO ONE ASKED ME." HE TESTIFIED "I FELT IF THEY WANTED TO KNOW THEY'S ASK ME." UPON QUESTIONING BY THE DEFENSE COLLINS STATED THAT WHEN HE FIRST SAW A PHOTOGRAPH OF SHAW HE DID NOT RECOGNIZE SHAW IMMEDIATELY. ALTHOUGH HE RECOGNIZED AS HAVING SEEN THE MAN BEFORE. UPON STUDYING THE PHOTOGRAPH IT WAS THEN THAT HE BEGAN TO PLACE WHERE HE HAD SEEN SHAW.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

THAT CORRI C. COLLINS WAS

IDENTIFIED THROUGH NEWSPAPER ARTICLES IN SEPTEMBER AND
DECEMBER, SIXTY-THREE, AS CHAIRMAN OF THE EAST FELICIANA
CHAPTER OF CORE. IN SEPTEMBER, SIXTY-THREE LOCAL OFFICIALS
WERE ATTEMPTING TO HAVE COLLINS PLACED UNDER AN INJUNCTION
PROHIBITING ACTIONS OF CORE. NEWSPAPER ARTICLES REVEAL
THAT DURING THIS TIME COLLINS HAD BEEN ARRESTED BY LOCAL
AUTHORITIES AT CLINTON ON OCCASIONS AND DURING CIVIL RIGHTS
ACTIVITY.

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TO :

Mr. Conrad *JWS*

DATE: February 10, 1969

FROM :

W. D. Griffith

SUBJECT:

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

5-1-1969

J.A.

Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated 1/31/69, regarding the court order received by SA Lyndal L. Shaneyfelt compelling his attendance at the trial of Clay L. Shaw in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Mr. Carl Eardley of the Justice Department, telephonically contacted SA Shaneyfelt today and advised that the District Attorney's Office in New Orleans had called to request that SA Shaneyfelt and SA Robert A. Frazier arrive in New Orleans by 6:00 P.M. Wednesday, February 12, 1969, for a preliminary conference prior to their testimony on Thursday, February 13, 1969. The Department has requested that these Agents arrive in New Orleans in sufficient time to have conferences with representatives of the U.S. Attorney's Office relative to their testimony since they will be in court during the testimony to assure that the interests of the Government and the witnesses are protected.

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SA Shaneyfelt plans to arrive the evening of February 11, 1969. SA Frazier is testifying at a trial in Americus, Georgia, and will be advised to proceed from there to New Orleans.

RECOMMENDATION: None. For information only.

- 62-109060
- 1 - Mr. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. Conrad
- 1 - Mr. Frazier
- 1 - Mr. Griffith
- 1 - Mr. Shaneyfelt

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FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963-
MISC. - INFO CONCERNING
(OO: DALLAS)

Enclosed for the Bureau are six (6) copies of an LHM which sets forth the text of a letter received by this office from [redacted]. Two (2) copies of the LHM are being designated for Dallas, office of origin, and one (1) copy for Miami since [redacted] is apparently residing in Miami.

Information concerning [redacted] appears in Tampa airtel and LHM to the Director dated 4/11/67; Tampa airtel and LHM, 5/15/67; Tampa airtel and LHM, 5/23/67; Dallas teletype to the Bureau, 5/11/68; Dallas airtel and LHM dated 9/9/68; and Tampa airtel and LHM dated 10/15/68.

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Special Agent in Charge



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

February 5, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

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

The following letter was received by the New Orleans
Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on February 3,
1969, from [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Miami, Florida:

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ENCLOSURE

February 1, 1967

Federal Bureau Of Investigation
New Orleans, Louisiana

Att: Manager

Dear Sir:

I am the American white lady who was incarcerated in a Mexican prison from 1963- 1968 for a crime which I did not commit. However, I was framed when it was learned that it was I and others who had confiscated the pictures of the to be assassians in a plot to assassinate the late President, John F. Kennedy. All that I might say is already of record with the office of Mr. J. Edgar Hoover----- in fact there is nothing which I would ever want to withhold from the F.B.I.--- never the less, at this time I feel it my duty to assist the nation to expose the man who I consider to be a man of the lowest kind, namely, Jim Garrison of your city, the prosecuting attorney. This is what I need from the F.B.I and I am sure that you will be happy to assist me.

In the late part of November 1966 after I had made all data available to the F.B.I --- that is, as much as I could put in a letter although the letter was not censored, I wrote a letter to the Senator, Mr. Russel Long and posted it addressed to him in care of the Post Master in New Orleans because I did not know in what city of the two cities he was residing---New Orleans or Baton Rouge--- now, I wrote on the outside of the envelope "Postmaster please direct this to the correct mailing address of the Senator Long of your area. I am the American in a Mexican prison." Time passed and in early Feb or late January 1967 I began to read for the first time that Jim Garrison had said all these things and that Senator Long had made a statement that Garrison was in contact with a person who spoke with Oswald prior to the assassination. Although the phrasology of the sentences were somewhat changed, they were in exact construction as per paragraph in subject matter as was my letter to the Senator. I thanked God that some one was believing me who could assist me. Mr. Hoover had advised that I was out of his jurisdiction and that he could not assist me--- never the less, some one did so through the intelligence department of Mexico and rather than to have received most 30 years which the American Consulman was hoping to get for me, I only received five years---- the least possible sentence without my being completely exonerated by the court. (Sure, because the Fier L. Williams, the consulman was in it up to his neck--- I used to see him with the group)!!

During the hours that I read this I was most happy and, then, I wrote two additional letters to Mr. Garrison directly---in which I related much in addition to that which he already possessed from the letter which I thought was parlayed to him by the Senator Mr. Russel Long---- this winter I wrote from St. Petersburg to Mr. Long requesting that he explain to me exactly what happened to the letter because Mr. Garrison had used all my information as that of his own investigation which I did not appreciate while I supposedly rotted in a Mexican prison with out any help from him--- I received no reply in letter form from the Senator Long but a person visited me

and suggested that since it was my letter that it was surely up to me to start the inquiry as to what happened to it. I suggested that I immediately contact the Federal Bureau of Investigation in that city--- I then considered waiting until I was in my home town again but since I was due to come to Miami I thought I would contact the F.B.I. in person here---- however, I have been advised by one who is in a position to know that it is far best that I send such a letter to your department in New Orleans so as to carry this thing to the very place of what is believed to be a crime. If this person visited me, then he must have been sent by the Senator who perferes, apparently, to not become involved in this crime in any manner--- "Let me do my own investigating"---- so, I have come to the conclusion that there is every bit of a chance that the Post master there in your city might have opened the letter for an inspection since it was from a foreign country and then parlayed it to Jim Garrison who might have been a friend of his. This certainly is a subject for investigating by your department, especially in view of the fact that at this time the most rotten type of justice is being perpetrated there against the Mr. Clay Shaw to further promote the man of JIM GARRISON---- as per my records Mr. Shaw was in no manner associated with this awful crime----his picture does not even resemble the picture which I sent to my good friend, Hri Aieli Stevenson with other pictures with which he was able to supposedly abort the assassination from May until it finally happened in November. What I want to know is; what disposition was made of the letter in question after it reached New Orleans/ If this letter was confiscated by the POSTMASTER and parlayed to Garrison rather than to the Senator Long, then I want both men arrested for Mail Theft and I would think it would also constitute mail fraud in that the material stolen was of value in dollars and cents as well as written matter through the U.S. mails. I am willing to sign whatever is necessary for this investigation. I cannot accuse the man until I have the proper evidence. Please assist me in this matter which will, in effect, also be assisting your country in decency and honesty.

Should you need to contact me, please call my answering service and leave word for me---- Miami, Florida. or, of course, you have the mailing address. Perhaps this will stop that merciless trial for that poor Mr. Shaw--- also, the fact that I am a mother causes me to think of his mother--- every man is the son of some mother regardless of his age---please assist me quickly.

Thanking you kindly for any and all assistance, I remain

Yours truly,

Please make all source of information available to the newspapers if you are successful in determining my thoughts to be true---expose Garrison.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. A. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop

DATE: February 7, 1969

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TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Mr. W. A. Branigan
- 1 - Mr. T. N. Goble

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

SYNOPSIS:

For information, New Orleans District Attorney James C. Garrison on 2/6/69 made his opening statement to the jury in New Orleans in the trial of Clay L. Shaw, charged by Garrison with conspiracy to assassinate President John Fitzgerald Kennedy. This advises of points raised by Garrison, as reported by press, in his opening to the jury.

The State will prove five overt acts: (1) Meeting between Oswald, David Ferrie and Clay Shaw in Ferrie's apartment in New Orleans in September, 1963; (2) Discussion between these three of means to carry out assassination of President Kennedy; (3) Shaw's trip to West Coast in November, 1963; (4) Ferrie's trip to Houston, Texas, on 11/22/63 and (5) Oswald taking rifle to Texas School Book Depository Building in Dallas, 11/22/63.

Garrison stated he will produce evidence concerning Oswald's activities in New Orleans in Summer, 1963. He will show Shaw and Oswald met on lake front in New Orleans in June, 1963. The State will show two trips by Oswald to Jackson, Louisiana, and Clinton, Louisiana in August or September, 1963, on the latter of which Oswald was accompanied by Shaw and Ferrie.

The State will establish, according to Garrison, that President Kennedy and Governor Connally were wounded by shots fired from different guns at different locations.

Defense counsel for Shaw in his opening statement said he would prove that Garrison's star witness, Perry Russo (who has previously testified as to the meeting at Ferrie's apartment between Shaw, Oswald and Ferrie), was a "liar" and Shaw had never known Oswald and Ferrie.

ACTION:

For information. Case is being closely followed.

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FEB 12 1969

Memorandum to Mr. W. C. Sullivan
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
62-109060

DETAILS:

New Orleans "States-Item" 2/6/69 reported New Orleans District Attorney James C. Garrison made his opening statement, that date, to the jury in the trial of Clay Shaw for conspiracy to assassinate President John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

GARRISON WILL PROVE FIVE OVERT ACTS:

Garrison stated he will prove five overt acts as follows:

- (1) A meeting of Oswald, David W. Ferrie and Clay L. Shaw in Ferrie's apartment at 330 Louisiana Avenue, New Orleans, in September, 1963.
- (2) Discussion by Oswald, Ferrie and Shaw of methods of execution of the conspiracy with regard to the assassination of President Kennedy, particularly the selection of rifles to be fired simultaneously from multiple directions to produce a triangulation of cross fire; also, establishing and selecting escape routes and methods; also, determination of procedures and places to be used to establish alibis on the date of the assassination.
- (3) Trip to West Coast of U. S. by Shaw in November, 1963.
- (4) Trip by Ferrie from New Orleans to Houston on 11/22/63.
- (5) Oswald taking rifle to Texas School Book Depository Building, Dallas, on or before 11/22/63.

Garrison said in his opening that evidence will show Oswald, in the Summer of 1963, was engaged in New Orleans which made it appear that he was connected with a Cuban organization. Garrison cited Oswald's distribution of "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" leaflets in New Orleans and his arrest there on 8/9/63, resulting from a fight with several Cubans who protested his distribution of these leaflets.

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Memorandum to Mr. J. C. Sullivan
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Garrison also said his evidence would show a meeting between Shaw and Oswald on the lake front in New Orleans in June, 1963.

GARRISON'S ALLEGATIONS REGARDING OSWALD'S TRIPS TO JACKSON AND CLINTON, LOUISIANA:

Garrison's statement set out that the State would show that in August or September, 1963, Oswald went to Jackson, Louisiana, and while there tried to get a job and tried to vote in that parish. Shortly thereafter Oswald, Shaw and Ferrie drove to Clinton, Louisiana, and parked near the Voter Registrar's Office and while Shaw and Ferrie remained in the car Oswald tried to register.

Garrison's opening outlined the meeting at Ferrie's apartment between Shaw, Ferrie and Oswald where plans for the assassination of President Kennedy were discussed. Garrison referred to Perry Russo's testimony of this meeting.

Garrison stated he would prove Shaw traveled to the West Coast in November, 1963, and remained there until after the assassination to establish an alibi. Garrison alluded to a trip made by Ferrie to Houston, Texas, on 11/22/63.

In his opening, Garrison stated he would produce evidence as to Oswald's activities in Dallas in the days prior to 11/22/63.

GARRISON'S ALLEGATIONS ASSASSINATION SHOTS FIRED FROM DIFFERENT GUNS AND LOCATIONS:

According to Garrison's statement, he will prove that President Kennedy and Governor Connally were wounded by shots fired from different guns from different locations; further, that more than one person was shooting at President Kennedy. In this regard, Garrison indicated he would produce several experts, including physicians. He mentioned that he will produce as witnesses Special Agents Robert A. Frazier and Lyndal Shaneyfelt.

Finally, Garrison stated he will produce evidence that the FBI learned shortly after the assassination from Dean Andrews of a person named Clay Bertrand. Garrison said he will prove that

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Clay Shaw was Clay Bertrand and received mail addressed to Clem Bertrand and once signed a guest register in the name Clay Bertrand.

OPENING STATEMENT FOR DEFENSE:

According to the newspaper, Defense Counsel Irvin Dymond told the court that the defense would prove that the star witness for the State, Perry Raymond Russo, was a "liar" and that Shaw had never known Oswald and Ferrie. Dymond explained that the defense could ^{not} prove Shaw was elsewhere at the time of the alleged meeting. He said this was impossible* because the State has never given the exact date of the alleged meeting. He said the alternative was to prove that the person alleging Shaw was at the meeting lied when he said that.

OBSERVATIONS:

What Garrison says he can prove, and what he in fact can prove, are two different things.

Although we have adhered to a strictly "hands-off" policy regarding Garrison's investigation, we have received information from various sources as to the quality of some of Garrison's witnesses. For example, we have received information that Perry Russo's story of the meeting in Ferrie's apartment was procured from him only after he had been given sodium pentothal and placed under hypnosis. It is possible his story was obtained only after the story itself was suggested to his drugged mind.

As you know, we conducted an intensive investigation into Oswald's activities when he resided in New Orleans from about 4/25/63 to 9/25/63. We developed no information that Oswald knew, visited with or lived with David William Ferrie. Marina Oswald said Oswald lived with her on a day-to-day basis during this entire period. A number of neighbors of the Oswalds in the vicinity of their residence in New Orleans said Oswald resided at 4509 Magazine Street until the date he left the city. One neighbor, who was unemployed during the Summer of 1963, said he saw Oswald at least once every day from mid-July, 1963, until 9/25/63. Another neighbor saw Oswald about the house most of the time and reported that when he left his residence during the day, he would return shortly thereafter. Marina Oswald told the Warren Commission that from mid-July, 1963, until they left New Orleans, Oswald spent most of his time in the house reading.

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No information was ever developed that Oswald
was in the Jackson and Clinton, Louisiana, areas during the
late Summer or early Fall of 1963.

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TO: DIRECTOR 62-109060 AND DALLAS 89-43

FROM: NEW ORLEANS 89-69

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
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NEW ORLEANS "STATES-ITEM" FINAL EDITION, FEB. SIX
INSTANT, REPORTED THAT THE FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS TODAY IN
THE CLAY SHAW CONSPIRACY TRIAL WAS THE DENIAL BY JUDGE
HAGGERTY OF TWO DEFENSE MOTIONS, ONE INVOLVING THE DEFENSE
REQUEST FOR ATTORNEY HUGH EXNICIOS TO PRODUCE CERTAIN TAPES
MADE BY ALVIN BEAUBOEUF, AND A SECOND DEFENSE MOTION ASKING
JUDGE HAGGERTY TO ISSUE A PROTECTIVE ORDER FOR SANDRA MOFFETT
MC MAINES TO APPEAR AS A DEFENSE WITNESS.

THIS ARTICLE REPORTED THAT DA JIM GARRISON MADE CLEAR
TODAY HE INTENDS TO TRY THE WARREN COMMISSION REPORT ALONG

WITH CLAY L. SHAW. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, IN HIS
OPENING STATEMENT GARRISON OUTLINED THE RESULTS OF HIS

TWO-YEAR OLD INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSINATION AND DECLARED

HIS INTENTION TO GO INTO EVENTS IN DEALY PLAZA WHERE KENNEDY

WAS SHOT TO DEATH NOV. TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. THE

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ARTICLE REPORTED THAT IN HIS OPENING STATEMENT, GARRISON SAID "WE WILL OFFER EVIDENCE CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION IN DEALY PLAZA IN DALLAS BECAUSE IT CONFIRMS THE EXISTENCE OF A CONSPIRACY AND BECAUSE IT CONFIRMS THE SIGNIFICANCE AND RELEVANCE OF THE PLANNING WHICH OCCURRED IN NEW ORLEANS."

THIS SAME ISSUE SET FORTH A COMPLETE TEXT OF THE OPENING STATEMENT OF DA GARRISON IN WHICH HE CITED THE INDICTMENT AGAINST SHAW FOR CONSPIRACY AND DEFINED THE CRIMES OF CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY AND MURDER ACCORDING TO TH CRIMINAL CODE OF LOUISIANA.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT GARRISON, IN HIS OPENING STATEMENT, STATED THAT AS REQUIRED BY THE DEFINATION OF CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY THE STATE WILL PROVE THE FOLLOWING OVERT ACTS: ONE, A MEETING OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD, DAVID W. FERRIE AND THE DEFENDANT, CLAY L. SHAW, IN THE APARTMENT OF DAVID W. FERRIE AT THREE THREE ZERO LOUISIANA AVENUE PARKWAY IN THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS DURING THE MONTH OF ^{SEPT.} ~~NOV.~~ NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE; TWO, DISCUSSION BY OSWALD, FERRIE AND

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SHAW OF MEANS AND METHODS OF EXECUTION OF THE CONSPIRACY WITH REGARD TO THE ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY - PARTICULAR, THE SELECTION AND USE OF RIFLES TO BE FIRED FROM MULTIPLE DIRECTIONS SIMULTANEOUSLY TO PRODUCE A TRIANGULATION OF CROSS FIRE, ESTABLISHING AND SELECTING THE MEANS AND ROUTES OF ESCAPE FROM THE ASSASSINATION SCENE, DETERMINATION OF PROCEDURES AND THE PLACES TO BE USED FOR SOME OF THE PRINCIPALS TO THE CONSPIRACY SO AS TO ESTABLISH ALIBIES ON THE DATE OF THE ASSASSINATION; THREE, A TRIP TO THE WEST COAST OF THE U. S. BY CLAY L, SHAW DURING THE MONTH OF NOV. NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE; FOUR, A TRIP BY DAVID W. FERRIE FROM NEW ORLEANS, LA., TO HOUSTON, TEX., ON THE DAY OF NOV. TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE; FIVE, LEE HARVEY OSWALD TAKING A RIFLE TO THE TEXAS SCHOOL BOOK DEPOSITORY IN DALLAS, TEX., ON OR BEFORE NOV. TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, GARRISON'S OPENING STATEMENT ALLEGED THE EVIDENCE WILL SHOW THAT IN NEW ORLEANS IN THE SUMMER OF NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, OSWALD WAS ENGAGED IN BAZAAR ACTIVITIES WHICH MADE IT APPEAR OSTENSIBLY THAT HE WAS

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CONNECTED WITH A CUBAN ORGANIZATION AND CITED OSWALD'S DISTRIBUTION OF "FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE" LEAFLETS ON THE DUMAINE ST. WARF ON JUNE SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, THE SUBSEQUENT ARREST ON AUG, NINE, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, BY THE NEW ORLEASN PD AS A RESULT OF HIS BECOMING INVOLVED IN A FIGHT WITH SEVERAL CUBANS WHO ARE PROTESTING FOR DISTRIBUTION OF "FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE" LITERATURE AND OSWALD'S DISTRIBUTION OF "FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE" LEAFLETS ON AUG. SIXTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE IN FRONT OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE MART (ITM) WHERE CLAY WAS THE MANAGING DIRECTOR.

GARRISON'S OPENING STATEMENT ALSO STATED THAT EVIDENCE WOULD SHOW THE MEETING BETWEEN CLAY SHAW AND LEE HARVEY OSWALD ON THE LAKEFRONT IN NEW ORLEANS IN JUNE, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.

THE STATEMENT FURTHER ALLEGED THAT THE STATE WILL SHOW THAT AT THE LATTER PART OF AUGUST OR EARLY PART OF SEPT. NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, OSWALD WENT TO JACKSON, LA., AND WHILE THERE TALKED TO WITNESSES IN REFERENCE TO GETTING A JOB AT THE EAST LOUISIANA STATE HOSPITAL IN JACKSON AND REGISTERING

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TO VOTE IN THAT PARISH SO AS TO BE ABLE TO GET THE JOB. FURTHER, THAT THE STATE WILL SHOW THAT SHORTLY THEREAFTER, IN LATE AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, SHAW, OSWALD AND FERRIE DROVE TO CLINTON, LA., PARKED NEAR THE VOTER REGISTRAR'S OFFICE AND THAT SHAW AND FERRIE REMAINED IN THE CAR AND OSWALD GOT OUT AND STOOD IN A GROUP OF PEOPLE WAITING TO REGISTER. FURTHER, THAT THE STATE WILL INTRODUCE WITNESSES WHO WILL TESTIFY THEY SAW A BLACK CADILLAC PARKED IN FRONT OF THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE AND WILL IDENTIFY SHAW, OSWALD AND FERRIE AS OCCUPANTS OF THIS VEHICLE. GARRISON FURTHER ALLEGED THE STATE WILL INTRODUCE A WITNESS WHO TALKED TO SHAW ON THIS OCCASION AND ON ASKING SHAW FOR HIS IDENTIFICATION, WAS TOLD BY SHAW THAT HE WAS FROM THE ITM, IN NEW ORLEANS.

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, THE STATEMENT THEN OUTLINED THE MEETING AT FERRIE'S APARTMENT BETWEEN SHAW, FERRIE AND OSWALD IN WHICH THE PLANS FOR THE MURDER OF PRES. KENNEDY WERE DISCUSSED AND REFINED; AND REFERRED TO PERRY RUSSO'S TESTIMONY WITH REGARD TO THIS MEETING.

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ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, GARRISON'S STATEMENT ALLEGED THAT THE EVIDENCE WILL SHOW THAT SHAW, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PLAN AND IN FURTHERANCE OF IT, DID IN FACT HEAD FOR THE WEST COAST OF THE U.S. OSTENSIBLY TO MAKE A SPEECH ON NOV. FIFTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, AND REMAINED THERE UNTIL AFTER PRES. KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION, THEREBY ESTABLISHING AN ALIBI FOR HIMSELF; THAT THE STATE WOULD OFFER INTO EVIDENCE A LEDGER SHEET OF TRAVEL CONSULTANTS AND TESTIMONY ON THE ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY SHAW FOR THE WEST COAST TRIP. THE STATEMENT FURTHER ALLUDED TO THE TRIP MADE BY DAVID W. FERRIE TO HOUSTON, TEX., ON THE DAY OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRES. KENNEDY.

THE STATEMENT ALLEGED THAT EVIDENCE WILL SHOW FURTHER THAT AFTER LEE OSWALD DEPARTED FROM NEW ORLEANS, HE TOOK A SHORT TRIP TO MEXICO AND THEN MADE HIS WAY TO DALLAS, TEX., WHERE ON OCT. FOURTEEN, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, HE RENTED A ROOM AT TEN TWENTYSIX NORTH BECKLEY ST., UNDER THE FICTITIOUS NAME OF O. H. LEE. TWO DAYS LATER, HE WENT TO WORK AT THE TEXAS SCHOOL BOOK DEPOSITORY AND MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH

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BUELL WESLEY FRAZIER, AN EMPLOYEE AT THE BOOK DEPOSITORY, TO RIDE TO IRVING, TEX., ON WEEKENDS WITH FRAZIER. THE STATEMENT OUTLINED THE TESTIMONY OF BUELL FRAZIER CONCERNING THIS ARRANGEMENTS AND HIS TESTIMONY OF ^DOSWALD'S ACTIVITIES ON THE DATE OF THE ASSASSINATION. THE STATEMENT FURTHER STATED THAT AT THE CONCLUSION OF FRAZIER'S TESTIMONY, THE STATE WILL INTRODUCE INTO EVIDENCE PICTURES OF A PAPER SACK FOUND IN THE BOOK DEPOSITORY AS WELL AS PICTUES OF DEALY PLAZA AS IT APPEARED ON THE DAY OF THE ASSASSINATION.

ACCORDING TO GARRISON'S STATEMENT, THE STATE WILL ESTABLISH THAT ON NOV. TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, PRES. JOHN F. KENNEDY AND GOV. JOHN CONNALLY WERE WOUNDED AS A RESULT OF GUNSHOTS FIRED FROM DIFFERENT GUNS AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS. FURTHER, THAT PRES. KENNEDY WAS STRUCK BY A NUMBER OF BULLETS COMING FROM DIFFERENT GUNS AT DIFFERENT LOCATIONS, THUS SHOWING THAT MORE THAN ONE PERSON WAS SHOOTING AT THE PRES. THE STATE, IN SHOWING THAT A NUMBER OF GUNS WERE FIRED DURING THE ASSASSINATION OF PRES. KENNEDY, WILL OFFER, IN ADDITION TO EYEWITNESSES, VARIOUS PHOTOGRAPHS AND MOTION PICTURES OF WHAT TRANSPIRED

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IN DEALY PLAZA ON THAT DATE. THE STATEMENT LISTED THE FOLLOWING PHOTOGRAPHS AND PICTURES THAT WILL BE INTRODUCED: THE ABRAHAM ZAPRUDER MOTION PICTURE FILM; THE "MOORMAN" PICTURE TAKEN BY MARY MOORMAN; PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY MR. PHILIP WILLIS; VARIOUS PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY MISS WILMA BOND AND A MOTION PICTURE FILM WITH SLIDES AND PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY MR. JOHN MARTIN.

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, THE STATE WILL QUALIFY ROBERT H. WEST, COUNTY LAND SURVEYOR FOR DALLAS, TEXAS., TO TESTIFY AS AN EXPERT AS TO THE GEOGRAPHICAL ASPECTS OF DEALY PLAZA. IN CONJUNCTION WITH THIS TESTIMONY, THE STATE WILL OFFER INTO EVIDENCE A CERTIFIED SURVEY, AN AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH AND MOCKUP MODEL OF DEALY PLAZA. THE STATE WILL ALSO QUALIFY DR. ROBERT SHAW AS AN EXPERT IN THE FIELD MEDICINE AND IN CONNECTION WITH THIS TESTIMONY, WILL OFFER X-RAYS AND MEDICAL RECORDS CONCERNING GOV. CONNALLY'S WOUNDS AND TREATMENT AT PARKLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL IN DALLAS. THE STATE WILL QUALIFY AND OFFER TESTIMONY OF DR. JOHN NICHOLS, A MEDICAL EXPERT IN THE

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FIELD OF FORENSIC MEDICINE AND PATHOLOGY.

FURTHER, THE STATE WILL QUALIFY AND OFFER THE TESTIMONY OF SA ROBERT A. FRAZIER OF THE FBI AS AN EXPERT IN THE FIELD OF BALISTICS AND SA LYNDAL SHANEYFELT, A PHOTOGRAPHIC EXPERT WITH THE FBI.

ACCORDING TO THE STATEMENT, THE EVIDENCE WILL SHOW THAT SHORTLY AFTER THE ASSASSINATION OF PRES. KENNEDY, AGENTS OF THE FBI INTERVIEWED DEAN A. ANDREWS, JR., AT HOTEL DIEU HOSPITAL IN NEW ORLEANS AND AS A RESULT OF THIS INTERVIEW, THE FBI BEGAN A SYSTEMATIC AND THOROUGH SEARCH FOR A "CLAY BERTRAND." THE STATE WILL INTRODUCE EVIDENCE SHOWING THAT DEFENDANT CLAY SHAW AND THE "CLAY BERTRAND" WHO CALLED DEAN ANDREWS ON BEHALF OF OSWALD, ARE ONE AND THE SAME PERSON. THE EVIDENCE WILL SHOW THAT SOMETIME DURING THE YEAR NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, SHAW REQUESTED THE U. S. POST OFFICE TO DELIVER MAIL ADDRESSED TO HIM TO FOURTEEN FOURTEEN CHARTRES ST., THE RESIDENCE OF A LONG TIME FRIEND, JEFF BIDDISON. DURING THE PERIOD THE CHANGE OF ADDRESS REMAINED IN EFFECT, THE POST OFFICE LETTER CARRIER DELIVERED AT LEAST FIVE LETTERS TO THE CHARTRES ST. ADDRESS, ADDRESSED

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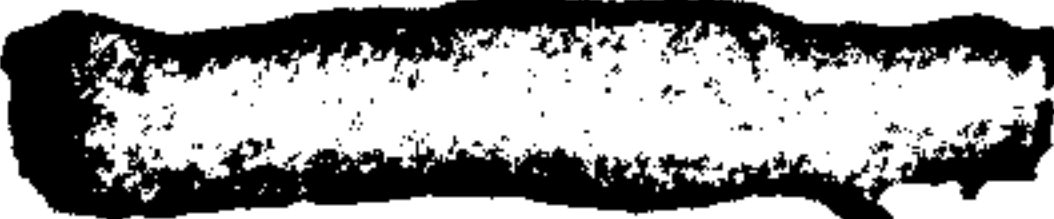
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TO "CLEM BERTRAND." FURTHER, THAT IT WILL BE SHOWN THAT IN DEC. NINETEEN SIXTYSIX, SHAW VISITED THE VIP ROOM OF ONE OF THE AIRLINES AT MOISANT AIRPORT AND WHILE THERE, SIGNED THE GUEST REGISTER IN THE NAME OF CLAY BERTRAND.

THIS SAME ISSUE REPORTED THAT F. IRVIN DYMOND, DEFENSE COUNSEL, MADE AN OPENING STATEMENT OF DA GARRISON.

DYMOND TOLD THE COURT THAT THE DEFENSE WOULD PROVE THAT THE STATES STAR WITNESS, PARRY RAYMOND RUSSO, WAS A "LIER" AND THAT SHAW HAD NEVER KNOWN OSWALD AND FERRIE.

ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, DYMOND EXPLAINED THERE WERE TWO COURSES OF ACTION FOR THE DEFENSE TO TAKE: FIRST, TO PROVE THAT SHAW WAS SOMEWHERE ELSE AT THE TIME OF THE ALLEGED MEETING WHICH HE SAID WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE BECUASE THE STATE HAS NEVER SEEN FIT TO GIVE THE EXACT DATE OF THE ALLEGED MEETING; AND THE SECOND ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE FOR THE DEFENSE TO PROVE THAT THE PERSON WHO SAID THAT SHAW WAS AT THE MEETING LIED WHEN HE SAID THAT.

 ASSOCIATED PRESS, NEW ORLEANS, TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE, THIS DATE, AND ADVISED
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FIRST WITNESS FOR THE STATE WAS REEVES MORGAN, FOR LOUISIANA
STATE LEGISLATOR WHO TESTIFIED THAT OSWALD WAS IN THE
JACKSON AND CLINTON, LA., AREA SOMETIME DURING THE SUMMER OF
NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AND THAT HE HAD FURNISHED THIS INFORMATION
TO THE FBI. INFO CONCERNING MORGAN APPEARS IN NEW ORLEANS
TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JAN. TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYEIGHT, IN CAPTIONED
MATTER. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED "NO COMMENT".

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TO: DIRECTOR 62-109060 AND DALLAS 89-43

FROM: NEW ORLEANS 89-69

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.
MISC. - INFO CONCERNING. OO: DALLAS.

NEW ORLEANS STATES-ITEM, FINAL EDITION, FEBRUARY FIVE,
INSTANT, REPORTED THAT THE JURY IN THE CLAY SHAW TRIAL WAS
COMPLETED TODAY SHORTLY BEFORE NOON WITH THE SELECTION OF JOHN
BURLET, FORTYSIX, PRESIDENT OF THE CNT CRANE SERVICE, INC.,
RESIDENCE ADDRESS FOUR ONE ZERO THREE VIXEN, ALGIERS, AS AN
ALTERNATE JUROR. THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT THE TRIAL WAS THEN
RECESSED UNTIL TEN A.M. TOMORROW. NEW ORLEANS FILES NEGATIVE
ON BURLET.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT WHEN COURT RESUMES TOMORROW,
JUDGE HAGGERTY WILL HEAR THREE MOTIONS, THE MOST CONTROVERSIAL
BEING A MOTION BY THE DEFENSE THAT THE JUDGE GRANT IMMUNITY
FROM PROSECUTION TO MRS. HAROLD MC MAINES, THE FORMER SANDRA
MOFFETT. THE OTHER TWO MOTIONS, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE,
WERE A MOTION FILED BY METAIRIE ATTORNEY HUGH EXNICIOS CLAIMING

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THAT THE SUBPOENA FOR HIM TO PRODUCE A TAPE WHICH THE DEFENSE SAYS WILL SHOW AN ATTEMPT BY TWO GARRISON AIDES TO BRIBE AND THREATEN ALVIN BEAUBOEUF, A DEFENSE WITNESS, VIOLATES HIS LAWYER-CLIENT RELATIONSHIP WITH BEAUBOEUF AND A MOTION FILED ON BEHALF OF BEAUBOEUF TO WAIVE THE LAWYER-COUNSEL RELATIONSHIP SO THE TAPE CAN BE PRODUCED.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT AFTER THESE MOTIONS ARE DISPOSED OF GARRISON WILL MAKE THE STATE'S OPENING STATEMENT. ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, JUDGE HAGGERTY TODAY AGREED TO A DEFENSE REQUEST THAT IT BE ALLOWED A THIRTY-MINUTE RECESS AFTER GARRISON'S OPENING STATEMENT. THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT THE DEFENSE IF IT SO DESIRES CAN THEN MAKE AN OPENING STATEMENT.

THE ARTICLE REPORTED THAT IN WASHINGTON, D. C., A FEDERAL JUDGE POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY FOURTEEN A HEARING ON GARRISON'S BID TO SUBPOENA SECRET AUTOPSY RECORDS AND PHOTOS OF KENNEDY'S BODY.

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NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 2-5-69

Attached relates to pending trial of Clay L. Shaw at New Orleans and reports that three motions will be heard 2-6-69, the most controversial being that by Defense requesting immunity from prosecution for Mrs. Harold McMaines.

Since attached obtained from news media, no dissemination of same being recommended.

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Date: 2/7/69

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)
 FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (89-69)
 SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
 JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
 DALLAS, TEXAS,
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Re New Orleans teletype to Bureau and Dallas, 2/6/69.

Enclosed for the Bureau are six (6) copies and for Dallas two (2) copies of an LHM setting forth the complete text of DA JIM GARRISON's opening statement in the trial of CLAY L. SHAW for conspiracy to assassinate President JOHN F. KENNEDY. Also included is the abridged statement of Chief Counsel F. IRVIN DYMOND which appears in the Times-Picayune dated February 7, 1969.

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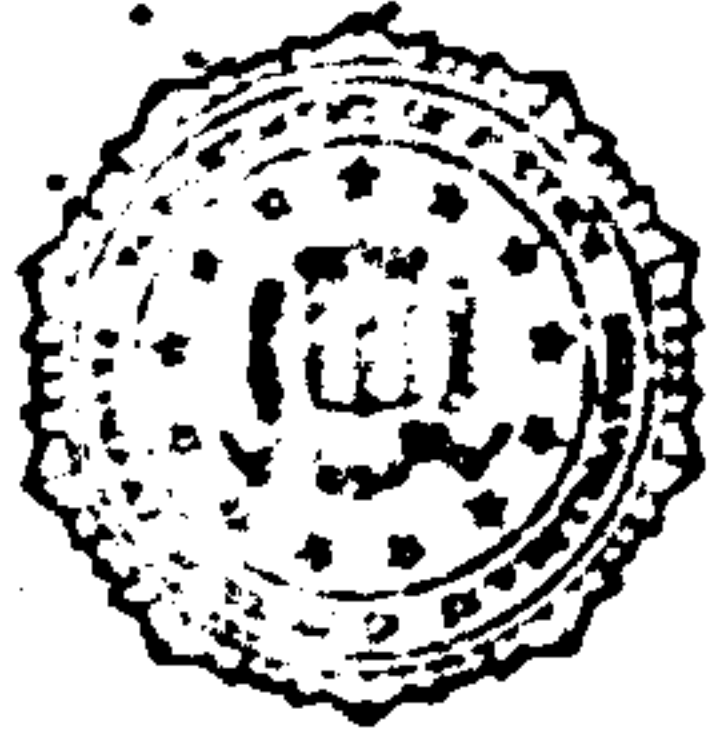
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New Orleans, Louisiana

February 7, 1969

In Reply, Please Refer to
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS,
NOVEMBER 22, 1963

The New Orleans States-Item, Final Edition, February 6, 1969, carried an article on Pages 1 and 6, setting forth the text of the opening statement of District Attorney Jim Garrison in the trial of Clay L. Shaw charged with conspiracy to assassinate President John F. Kennedy, which is set forth as follows:

The State of Louisiana is required by law in all criminal trials to make an opening statement to the jury. This statement is merely a blueprint of what the State intends to prove. It has no probative value and should not be considered as evidence in the case.

The defendant, Clay L. Shaw, is charged in a bill of indictment with having willfully and unlawfully conspired with David W. Ferrie, Lee Harvey Oswald and others to murder John F. Kennedy.

The crime of criminal conspiracy is defined in Criminal Code of Louisiana as follows:

CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY

Criminal conspiracy is the agreement or combination of two or more persons for the specific purpose of committing any crime; provided that an agreement or combination to commit a crime shall not amount to a criminal conspiracy unless, in addition to such agreement or combination, one or more of such parties does an act in furtherance of the object of the agreement or combination.

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

As required by the definition of criminal conspiracy,
the State will prove the following overt acts:

1. A meeting of Lee Harvey Oswald, David W. Ferrie
and the defendant, Clay L. Shaw, in the apartment of David W.
Ferrie at 3330 Louisiana Avenue Parkway in the city of New
Orleans during the month of September, 1963.

2. Discussion by Oswald, Ferrie and the defendant,
Shaw, of means and methods of execution of the conspiracy with
regard to assassination of John F. Kennedy--particularly, the
selection and use of rifles to be fired from multiple
directions simultaneously to produce a triangulation of cross
fire, establishing and selecting the means and routes of escape
from the assassination scene, determination of procedures and
the places to be used for some of the principals to the conspiracy
so as to establish alibis on the date of the assassination.

3. A trip to the west coast of the United States by
Clay L. Shaw during the month of November, 1963.

4. A trip by David W. Ferrie from New Orleans,
La. to Houston, Texas, on the day of November 22, 1963.

5. Lee Harvey Oswald taking a rifle to the Texas
School Book Depository in Dallas, Texas, on or before
Nov. 22, 1963.

The criminal Code defines murder in the following
terms:

MURDER

1. When the offender has a specific intent to kill
or to inflict great bodily harm;

The evidence will show that in New Orleans, in the
summer of 1963, Lee Harvey Oswald was engaged in bizarre
activities which made it appear ostensibly that he was connected
with a Cuban organization, although in fact the evidence
indicated that there was no such organization in New Orleans.
This curious activity began on June 16th when he distributed
"Fair Play for Cuba Committee" leaflets on Dumaine Street Wharf.
This distribution took place at the docking site of the United
States Aircraft Carrier, the U.S.S. Wasp.

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Later in June of 1963, the defendant, Clay Shaw, was observed speaking to Lee Harvey Oswald on the lakefront in the city of New Orleans. The defendant arrived at the lakefront in a large, black 4-door sedan, and was there met by Lee Harvey Oswald, who had walked to the meeting point along the lakefront from a westerly direction. The defendant and Oswald had a conversation which lasted approximately 15 minutes. At the conclusion of this conversation, the defendant gave Oswald what appeared to be a roll of money which he immediately placed in his pocket. In shoving the money into his pocket, Oswald dropped several leaflets to the ground. These leaflets were yellow in color with black printing and dealt with Cuba. The color, contents and size of these leaflets were identical with the "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" leaflet taken from Oswald earlier that month on the Dumaine Street Wharf by Harbor Police Patrolman Girod Ray.

The evidence will show that on August 9, 1963, Lee Harvey Oswald was arrested by members of the New Orleans Police Department as a result of his becoming involved in a fight with several Cubans who were protesting his passing out "Fair Play for Cuba Committee" literature. This literature was confiscated by the New Orleans Police Department. The state will offer into evidence three of the seized items, one of which is a yellow leaflet with black print entitled "Hands Off Cuba!" This is the same type of leaflet taken from Oswald at the Dumaine Street Wharf on June 16, 1963, and also the same as the leaflet dropped by Oswald at the lakefront in the latter part of June, 1963. The state will also introduce the bureau of identification photograph taken of Lee Harvey Oswald at the time of his booking.

A week later, on Aug. 16, 1963, Lee Harvey Oswald was again distributing "Fair Play for Cuba" leaflets. Once again the distribution was done more as if to attract attention than to actually accomplish distribution. The actual distribution lasted only a few minutes, ending shortly after the news media departed. The state will introduce pictures and a television tape of this distribution, which took place in front of the International Trade Mart whose managing director at the time was the defendant, Clay Shaw.