

NOTE:

On 2/27/64, Minneapolis obtained "Manuscript 18" from Mr. Bob Williams regional editor of the "New Ulm Daily Journal," New Ulm, Minnesota. The manuscript purportedly was written by A. H. Bethke, 1031 Benson Highway, Tucson, Arizona. "Manuscript 18" is captioned "The Murder of President Kennedy. The Assassination of President Kennedy." It contains phraseology such as "The murder was planned by Barabbas, Chief Justice Warren, and Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson." The incongruity of "Manuscript 18" which makes comparisons to numerous Biblical phraseologies immediately leads one to question the writers mental stability.

Referenced Minneapolis airtel of 2/27/64, set out a lead for Phoenix to interview Bethke and included a copy of "Manuscript 18." Referenced Dallas airtel 3/2/64, instructed Phoenix to submit results of interview by FD-302, 25 copies.

Supplemental instructions have been furnished Phoenix by the Bureau to also submit results in a letterhead memorandum as it is anticipated the results of Bethke's interview plus a copy of "Manuscript 18" will be disseminated to Secret Service for their information.

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: 2/27/64

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: THE PRESIDENT'S COMMISSION  
ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

During a conversation Malley had with Inspector Tom Kelley of the Secret Service while at the President's Commission, Inspector Kelley mentioned that Mr. Rankin had discussed with him information Rankin had received from Attorney William A. McKenzie who now represents Marina Oswald. According to Kelley, McKenzie related to Rankin information he had received to the effect that there was considerable animosity existing between the office of the Secret Service and the office of the FBI in Dallas, Texas. Mr. Rankin inquired of Inspector Kelley whether he had any information concerning such a situation. Kelley states that he told Mr. Rankin that he personally had been in Dallas for several weeks in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy, that Malley of the FBI had also been there, and that during the period they were both in Dallas there was a completely free exchange of information on matters of interest and that they had been in touch with one another on the telephone on numerous occasions. Kelley claims he told Mr. Rankin there was certainly nothing that he observed while he was in Dallas to indicate any hard feelings of any kind between the two agencies and that he had no knowledge of any such situation existing. Kelley stated he told Mr. Rankin that there is always the possibility for some one individual to develop feelings one way or the other but this would certainly not be indicative of an official attitude of resentment of one agency against another. Inspector Kelley advised that he wanted Malley to have this information so that he would be aware of it in the event Mr. Rankin brought up this conversation.

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Inspector Kelley was immediately advised that Malley knew of no animosity existing between the two agencies in Dallas and if there had been it would have been called to the attention of the headquarters of both organizations immediately.

Inasmuch as Mr. Rankin was unavailable on February 26, 1964, Malley discussed this incident with Mr. Howard Willens of the President's Commission without revealing the source of the information. Willens was advised that in view of remarks being made by Attorney William A. McKenzie

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Memo to Mr. Belmont from A. Rosen  
re: President's Commission

this Bureau desired to immediately contact McKenzie and ascertain the basis for the comments made by him that animosity existed between the Secret Service and the FBI in Dallas.

Mr. Willens subsequently advised that he had discussed this matter with Mr. Rankin and Rankin indicated he had no objections whatsoever for the Bureau following through on this matter and ascertaining the basis for McKenzie's remarks.

ACTION:

The Dallas Office is being instructed by attached teletype to immediately interview Attorney William A. McKenzie concerning remarks he has made to the President's Commission indicating there is animosity existing between the FBI and Secret Service in Dallas. McKenzie will be requested to furnish the exact basis for his comments.

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*[Handwritten mark]*

*Right. Make him put up or shut up.*

*[Handwritten mark]*

TRANSLATION FROM SERBO-CROATIAN

COVER OF ENVELOPE

To Mr. Earl Warren (Spelled on envelope as ERL WOREN)  
FBI  
Washington, U. S. A.

AIRMAIL

Postmarked in Paris, France  
on February 3, 1964  
at 4:15 p.m.

Back of photograph  
reflects Watkins to  
be 37 years old as of  
2/1/64.

I am writing in Yugoslav

February 1, 1964

Mr. President,

Excuse me for writing to you in this manner.  
However, the case itself requires such a procedure.

The case actually refers to the tragic death of  
President Kennedy. The person who is linked in that chain  
is Charles Watkins whose photograph I am enclosing herewith.

Watkins came to New York from Jacksonville, Florida,  
in 1962. His address in Jacksonville was 1025 So. Shores Road,  
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New York, U. S. A.

Watkins remained at this second address until  
the death of President Kennedy. Then, he went away to an  
unknown destination; that happened about November 29, 1963.

He is connected with the Cuban communists for  
whom he works. Check everything in his connection.

Respectfully,

a Friend

ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATIONS  
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TRANSLATED BY:  
MAX L. MIUSHKOVICH:hea  
February 14, 1964

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POŠTOVANI GOSPODINE PRESEDNIČE!  
IZVINITE ŠTO VAM SE OBRACAM OVAKO.

SAM SLUČAJ TRAJI DA TAKO POSTUPIM.  
SLUČAJ SA TRAGINOM SMRĆU PRECEDNIKA KENEDIJA,  
OSOBA KOJA JE U TOM LANCU POVEZANA ZOVESE:  
CHARLES-WATKINS, ŠALJEM VAM NJEGOVU FOTOGRAFIJU,  
U NEW YORK JE DOŠAO, KRAJEM 1962 IZ JACKSON-  
VILLE-FLORIDA. ADRESA U JACKSONVILLE; CHARLES-WAT-  
KINS 1025 SO. SHORES RD. JACKSONVILLE 1 FLORIDA, U  
1962 U NEW YORKU; REV. L. ROBERT FOUTZ 22-35  
36TH. ST. ASTORIA 54. / NEW YORK, CHARLES-WAT-  
KINS 42-42 COLDEN ST. FLUSHING 55, NEW YORK, U.S.A.  
NA OVOJ DRUGOJ ADRESI OSTAO DOK SE NIJE DOGODILA  
SMRT PRECEDNIKA KENEDIJA, POS. ET OG DOGAĐAJA  
OTIŠAO U NEPOZNATOM PRAVCU, OKO 28<sup>9</sup> XI-1963.

POVEZAN SA KUBANSKIM KOMUNISTIMA RADI ZANJIM.  
PROVERITE LBLU STVAR SA NJIM.

S. POŠTOVANJEM PRIJATELJ,



2/20/64

- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
- 1 - Mr. Malley
- 1 - Mr. Shroder
- 1 - Mr. Rogge

**AIRTEL**

To: SACs New York (Enc. 2)  
Jacksonville (Enc. 2)

From: Director, FBI (62-109060) —

**ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN F. KENNEDY  
11/22/63  
DALLAS, TEXAS**

Enclosed for receiving offices is one copy each of a self-explanatory letterhead memorandum dated 2/20/64 at Washington, D. C., and a photograph purported to be that of one Charles Watkins.

The anonymous letter was received and translated at the Bureau. The translator has indicated the writer of the letter has taken care to hide the fact that he probably is Serbian. This letter, which was probably intended for Chief Justice Warren, has been referred to the President's Commission and the General Counsel has been advised this Bureau is conducting logical investigation and the Commission will be furnished the results.

Immediate logical investigation must be initiated to resolve this matter. Efforts should be made to identify, locate and interview Charles Watkins and endeavor to ascertain his whereabouts on 11/22/63 and develop any information which would indicate he was involved in or has knowledge of the assassination. It may be significant to learn if he has any idea who might have written the anonymous letter.

ENCLOSURE ATTACHED

Dallas (Enc. 2) R

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SEE ROSEN TO BELMONT MEMO DATED 2/19/64, RDR:mlt; CAPTIONED AS ABOVE.

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- 1 - Mr. J. P. Mohr
- 1 - Mr. N. P. Callahan
- 1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan
- 1 - Cryptanalysis & Translation Section
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Airtel to SACs New York  
                    Jacksonville  
RE: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
      JOHN F. KENNEDY

The completed results of investigation should be prepared by the Division conducting same in an appropriate letterhead memorandum suitable for dissemination without further editing or correction. In addition to the letterhead memorandum, interested offices are instructed to incorporate the results of investigation in insert form and submit 25 copies to Dallas.

Any necessary leads should be handled by teletype and the results furnished without any delay.

No information identifiable with Watkins or the Reverend L. Robert Foutz could be located in Bureau files. The anonymous letter was checked through the Bureau's Anonymous Letter File with negative results.

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AIRGRAM  CABLEGRAM  RADIO  TELETYPE

URGENT 3-3-64  
 TO DIRECTOR  
 FROM LEGAT LONDON NO. 52

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT/KENNEDY, MISC. *John F. Emg*

[REDACTED]

CHARLES W. BATES

RECEIVED:

1:29 PM

RDR

CC-MR. ROSEN

BRD CC. MR. BRENNAN

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAR 3 1964

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Miss Gandy	

10-32 AM CST URGENT 3-3-64 WD  
TO DIRECTOR (62-109060) AND SAVANNAH  
FROM DALLAS (89-43) 2 P

ASSASSINATION OF JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO,  
LAST, DALLAS, TEXAS. MISC INFO CONCERNING.

REREP SA RICHARD C. THOMPSON FEBRUARY FOURTEEN, LAST,  
AT MILWAUKEE, CAPTIONED LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA, IS - R - CUBA.

INTERNAL SECURITY - RUSSIA  
ALSO KNOWN AS

THIS REPORT ADVISES [REDACTED] EMPLOYEE OF DROTT  
MANUFACTURING COMPANY, SCHOFIELD, WISCONSIN, STATED IT WAS  
RUMORED AROUND THE PLANT THAT A TEXAS TRUCK DRIVER (WHO CALLED  
AT THE PLANT PRIOR TO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F.  
KENNEDY) SAID THAT IF KENNEDY WENT TO TEXAS, THE PEOPLE OF THE  
UNITED STATES WOULD HAVE TO LOOK FOR ANOTHER PRESIDENT. FROM  
RECORDS OF DROTT MANUFACTURING COMPANY, THE TEXAS TRUCK DRIVER  
APPEARS TO BE O. L. FORD OF C AND H TRANSPORTATION COMPANY,  
NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE WEST COMMERCE STREET, DALLAS, TEXAS.

BILLY CULBERSON, DISPATCHER, C AND H TRANSPORTATION  
COMPANY, NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE WEST COMMERCE, DALLAS, ADVISES  
DRIVER O. L. FORD CURRENTLY ENROUTE TO DELIVER LOAD TO WILHOIT

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STEEL ERECTORS. WILL ARRIVE CHARLESTON MARCH FOUR, NEXT AND  
AWAIT INTERVIEW BY BUREAU AGENTS.

SAVANNAH AT CHARLESTON, SUBMIT TWENTYFIVE COPIES FD THREE  
ZERO TWOS TO DALLAS.

END ACK IN ORDER

WA JS

FBI WASH DC

SV JDR

FBI SAVANNAH

DISC@

cc-MR. ROSEN

*Mr. Sullivan.*



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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

February 28, 1964

The attached copy of US/France  
Report was sent to the Director  
from the Addressing Machine  
Company of California, Inc.,  
San Francisco, California.

Reference is made to the Director  
on page 4 and to the FBI on  
pages 1, 3 and 9.

- MR. TOLSON
- MR. BELMONT
- MR. MOHR
- MR. CASPER
- MR. CALLAHAN
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- MR. DELOACH
- MR. EVANS
- MR. GALE
- MR. ROSEN
- MR. SULLIVAN
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- MR. TROTTER
- MR. JONES
- TELE. ROOM
- MISS HOLMES
- MRS. METCALF
- MISS GANDY

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ALABAMA, INC.  
MEMPHIS, TENN.  
P. O. BOX 3239  
MEMPHIS 1, TENN.  
SAN FRANCISCO 19, CALIFORNIA

2 DIRECTOR  
Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
2-12/64  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington D C

*George J. ...*

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## AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE

First, we want to welcome the many new subscribers who have joined our readership since we changed our format with the April 1963 issue. This has been a good indication that a much larger audience for our publication exists than we have the capacity to reach. Our aim, therefore, is to develop that capacity.

In the April 1963 issue we told our readers that we had several ideas in mind as to how we could expand our efforts, and that we would keep them informed as to our progress.

Having given a good deal of thought to this problem--and the problem of anti-Communism in general--your editor would like to address the following thoughts to his readers:

The Conspiracy we are fighting is like an iceberg. The visible portion of it is the least dangerous because it is the easiest to see; it is the invisible portion, of course, which is the most dangerous because its outline is not so easily discernible. Nevertheless, just as scientists have devised the means to study the invisible atom, we too are devising the means of identifying what, until now, has been largely unidentifiable. All of this requires an exacting process of research and integration of facts--tasks which require men, time and money.

To my mind, how successful we are in the task of identifying and understanding the nature of the enemy will determine whether we can win or whether we shall lose.

Man's primary tool of survival is his mind. His actions are determined by what he has in his head. No knowledge or wrong knowledge cannot possibly lead to right action--and the wrong action under present circumstances will most certainly lead to destruction. That is why it is imperative today that anti-Communists not only be well informed, but correctly informed.

Knowledge is our greatest single weapon against the enemy, and knowledge is what we must get to the American people. And here we come to the heart of our problem: In New York there is a mountain of raw material from which our knowledge can be obtained. The material is simply waiting there to be researched and assembled; the researchers and writers are also waiting to be put to work.

Now, the publisher of U.S./France Report has spent much of his time during the last six months developing an organizational format through which this tremendous research and publishing effort could be carried out. It is a format employing the techniques of free enterprise and taking advantage of its many organizational possibilities.

It is with this idea in mind that I want to ask the following of our readers: if there are among you any who are interested in participating in a fuller and more extensive discussion of the problem as outlined above, please get in touch with me immediately. Out of such discussion may come the kind of self-sustaining program which will propel our efforts forward in the coming crucial year with greater speed and effectiveness.

I need not tell my readers that the year 1964 will be a turning point in the struggle against the forces that would enslave us. If you have had the desire to do something, now will be the time to do it.

In the meanwhile, we wish to take this opportunity to wish our subscribers and their families the best of all good things in the coming New Year.

### 1964 FORECAST

The year 1964 will probably be one of the most unusual in world history. While the Conspiracy will continue to push its program ahead on all fronts, the growing awareness of the American people will pose a formidable threat to the ultimate success of the Conspiracy. Which means that the Conspiracy has no doubt planned a few spectacular and unexpected events in order to deal the right wing several staggering blows and push its program to its ultimate world totalitarian end. This may, at some future date, include something as spectacular as the "accidental" dropping of an H bomb, under the cover of which ultimate power can be taken.

With the major governments of the world virtually controlled by the most psychotic political criminals in history, there is no telling what we can expect next. The Communists have done everything to turn our world into a nightmare. But it is the American people who, by default, have permitted this to happen, and it is only they who have the power to stop it. It will not be easy, but neither was the Revolutionary War.



their own country, enter a complete world of Lippmannesque fantasy when they write about the United States. They not only see a segregationist plot behind the assassination of Kennedy, but are comparing the situation in Dallas with that which existed in Algiers in 1960 and 1961.

One can imagine what goes on when a French liberal discusses the world situation with an American liberal. Any resemblance their remarks might have to reality would be purely coincidental.

#### JOHNSON AND FORTAS

There has been mention in the press that Abe Fortas, President Johnson's personal lawyer, may be in line for a high government appointment. Mr. Fortas, a member of the Washington firm of Arnold, Fortas and Porter, had been handling Bobby Baker's defense before the Senate investigating committee. He recently bowed out from that position, in order, so it is hinted, to prepare himself for his coming appointment. What position did Johnson have in mind for him? Why, the Cabinet post of Attorney General.

We therefore consider it appropriate to remind our readers who Mr. Fortas is. Abe Fortas, of course, was Owen Lattimore's defense attorney during McCarthy's inquiry into Lattimore's activities and the Institute of Pacific Relations.

Mr. Fortas's views on the subject were well described in Owen Lattimore's book about the investigation, Ordeal by Slander (Little Brown, 1950). In that book Lattimore quoted a letter from Fortas to him, an excerpt of which we quote below:

"It may be necessary that you get down in the gutter in which we are now operating as a result of Senator McCarthy's personal attack on you. But if we can place the Senator in the gutter where he belongs before your return, it may be that the best strategy, both from your personal viewpoint and in terms of the national interest, will be for you to address yourself in your statements before the Senate Committee to the underlying issues which have made possible this attack upon you. . . ."

"Again, I want to say for myself, Thurman, and Paul, that we are glad to be in the fight on your side, and to express our hope that

you will not consider that we have been presumptuous in taking the action that has been taken to date or which we shall undoubtedly have to take in the next few days on your behalf."

Elsewhere in the book, on page 37, Mrs. Eleanor Lattimore writes:

"Abe Fortas was another solid rock, like Joe and Betty (Barnes). I hadn't been there ten minutes before I knew that going to see him was the wisest thing I'd ever done."

Describing what happened after it was learned that Louis Budenz had been subpoenaed to testify, Lattimore writes:

"When we got to the office I saw immediately that Abe was worried. He shut his door behind us, looked at me squarely, and said nothing for what seemed like a long, long time. Then he said, 'McCarthy is a long way out on limb. The political pressures that are building up are terrific. The report that Budenz will testify against you has shaken everyone in Washington. It is my duty as your lawyer to warn you that the danger you face cannot possibly be exaggerated. It does not exclude the possibility of a straight frame-up, with perjured witnesses and perhaps even forged documents. You have a choice of two ways of facing this danger. You can either take it head on, and expose yourself to this danger; or you can make a qualified and carefully guarded statement which will reduce the chance of entrapment by fake evidence. As your lawyer I cannot make that choice for you. You have to make it yourself.'

"'Abe,' I said, 'I don't see how we can any pussyfooting on this. I want to meet the thing head on and slug it out. I owe it to myself and the issues that are at stake.' Then I turned to Eleanor. I said, 'Do you agree?' And she said, 'Of course.' Abe said nothing, but I could see from his face that now had more than a lawyer. I had a friend, and we believed in each other."

The Senate Internal Security Subcommittee however, came to its own conclusions concerning Mr. Fortas's client. "Owen Lattimore," the subcommittee's report stated, "was, from some time beginning in the 1930's, a conscious articulate instrument of the Soviet conspiracy."

If Mr. Fortas is already here, can Owen Lattimore be far behind?



are, he has no chance at a

Admittedly, the formation of a third party--or rather a new party--is a radical move. But we live in times when the radical is being forced on us whether we like it or not. Many of us have already radically adjusted our lives to the new political demands of our time. But the conservative, who thinks that the Conspiracy is a figment of an extremist's imagination, will naturally go on politicking in the same old way indefinitely. He will be easily swayed by an appeal for "party unity," which means that he will be expected to knock his brains out getting a "modern" Republican elected.

What the conservatives do not realize is that without them the Republican Party has no future; and what the Conspiracy also realizes is that without the conservatives they will have no party left to control. Thus, the question is: how long will the conservatives tolerate the liberal yoke around their necks? How long will they remain the obedient work-horses of Mr. Rockefeller's party? Fortunately, we shall know the answer fairly soon.

#### OBSERVATION

J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, tells us that we are at war with the Communists in the United States. Mr. McNamara tells us that we are at war with the Communists in South Vietnam where American men are dying. Romulo Betancourt tells us that we are at war with the Communists in Venezuela. Willy Brandt tells us that we are at war with the Communists in Berlin. The American people put up with high taxes, foreign aid, a massive space program, compulsory military training and other such measures because we are told that we are at war with the Communists.

On November 22, 1963, the President of the United States is murdered by a Communist.

Does the United States Government break diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union, or at least suspend further collaboration until an inquiry is made? No. It reassures the Communist enemy that all is all right and that nothing has changed. We are still the best of friends.

Nevertheless, on the day of Kennedy's funeral occurs the worst Communist massacre of American soldiers in South Vietnam to date.

DECEMBER 1963

Any reaction from Washington? Yes, a reaffirmation of our offer to go to the moon with the Russians.

#### THE ASSASSINATION: A FRENCH VIEW

Andre Noel's weekly Bulletin of November 26, 1963 (published at Maisons-Alfort, France) contained the following commentary on the assassination of President Kennedy (our translation):

"There is no lack of information, there is more than enough. To clarify this torrent a little, where the true and the false have been mixed in a powerful effort to intoxicate everyone, I would like only to remind you of a few principles drawn from similar cases:

"1) The murder of the assassin after such an act is a classic procedure: one need only recall the young Gaullist, Bonnier de La Chaille who assassinated Darlan and was executed the very next day; or the execution, also had of the gunman who put a bullet into Giraud's head.

"This kind of liquidation always proves that there is a plot.

"2) A plot can never be uncovered, if the right assassin is chosen: that is, a psychotic or a fanatic unaware of the role he is being made to play, and without direct connection with those who are employing him. Thus, 350 years later, we still don't know with certainty for whose benefit Ravallac stabbed Henri IV to death.

"But if he is not the only assassin, Lee Oswald is evidently the man who fired on Kennedy. He was certainly a militant Communist, and without doubt even a Communist agent especially trained for his role as killer.

"That does not absolutely permit us to say that he was the instrument of a Communist power, but that even permits us less to say that "the segregationists" armed him, and to pretend--as did *Le Monde*--that in the United States, only the extreme right constitutes a danger."

Mr. Noel's views reflect those of the French anti-Communists, who are only moderately well informed concerning the internal situation in the United States. French liberals, however, who hardly know what's going on in



"Like Texas, Johnson is rugged, virile, self-made. His handsome, le face reveals, as candidly as a mirror, the strong emotions that course through him. Lyndon Johnson, like his native state, is outside."

That ~~is~~ is from the pen of Fletcher Knebel of Lock magazine's Washington Bureau, December 31, 1963.

Goldwater backers should not be shaken from their position by the assassination of Kennedy. The death of Jack Kennedy does not change the fact that Johnson was part of the Kennedy Administration and shared fully in its actions, particularly since he has dedicated himself to continuing Kennedy's policies both domestic and foreign. In addition, Johnson isn't half as attractive a person as was Kennedy and will not be able to obtain the kind of non-thinking popularity Kennedy's personality inspired. Despite what anyone might say, Kennedy's youthful image was his greatest asset. Johnson, on the other hand, has a face that inspires no sympathy at all.

Aside from Johnson's odious connections with the left--through such "friends" as Abe Fortas--Johnson has been identified with a great deal of political corruption, not only within his own state of Texas, but also in Washington where his protege Bobby Baker is being exposed. In short, Johnson and the Democratic Party reveal a picture of such inner political corruption and moral decay that it should be a pushover for any clean Republican candidate in 1964.

The main struggle, clearly, will be within the Republican Party, where every effort will be made by the Rockefeller-CFR "mafia" to cut the Goldwater forces to ribbons. Can the Goldwater forces survive the ambushes, outthroating, bribery, blackmail, and "pressures" to which they will be subjected? Politics within the Republican Party has already descended to the level of gang warfare, and it is possible that Goldwater will decide that he can't win under such circumstances. On the other hand, the hard-core conservative element within the Republican Party is not altogether unaware that an ultimate showdown is needed and that 1964 will be the year of that showdown. A capitulation of Goldwater to Rockefeller will mean that the Republican Party can no longer be considered a practical vehicle through which conservatives can achieve their political ends.

What does this mean? It means that it is time for conservatives to reappraise their political position in both parties and to decide whether or not there is any point to remaining within them any longer.

Honest men cannot do business with the corrupt and the immoral and expect to win. Both parties are controlled by a single criminal conspiracy which regards the conservative as its deadliest enemy. What chance, therefore, can any conservative have within such a malevolent political context?

The question is, how long will honest men put up with this intolerable situation? Has not the time arrived for a mass exodus of conservatives from both parties to form a new political party embracing the nation's honest men from north, south, east and west? A new young generation of free enterprisers and individualists is rising in America. Why not take advantage of their youth, energy and enthusiasm and create something new? It will not mean the creation of a third party. It will mean the eventual elimination of one of the old parties. Why shouldn't Rockefeller and Johnson belong to the same party since they think alike politically? A liberal Republican Party and a liberal Democratic Party would simply have to divide up the liberal vote between themselves. But a new nation-wide party of conservative orientation would attract all conservatives.

Clearly, the American people want a genuine choice in candidates and political doctrine, a choice they have been denied for thirty years. Clearly, many American conservatives who have retired from political life because there is no place to go, would become active again. If the conservatives of both parties can stage a mass exodus and form a new party of their own, this may be the only way to break the Conspiracy's stranglehold over our country without something resembling a civil war.

The bullet which destroyed Kennedy and the campaign being waged to destroy Goldwater have, in actuality, destroyed the political system we have known until now. We have reached the point where naked force has become the political arbiter. We have reached this point because honest men have stood by and waited and waited for an honest man to become President, not realizing that the longer they waited, the less chance he had. Today, within the context of the two parties such as they