

UNITED STATES GOV

# Memorandum

TO : Mr. Belmont

DATE: January 22, 1964

FROM : A. Rosen

SUBJECT: JACK L. RUBY, AKA.  
LEE HARVEY OSWALD, AKA. - VICTIM  
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On January 7, 1964, a confidential informant of the Atlanta Office furnished a copy of a 33 1/3 rpm phonograph record which was issued by the Defense Legion of Registered Americans (DLRA), Incorporated, which is also known as the Christian Voters and Buyers League. The DLRA was organized in Atlanta in 1962 for the purpose of opposing Communism, Marxism, Mongrelism, Nihilism, etc. The Christian Voters and Buyers League was established within the DLRA to distribute anti-Jewish and anti-Negro phonograph records and literature.

The record, which was received on January 7, 1964, was narrated by Herbert Wallace Butterworth, a former radio announcer who is executive secretary of the DLRA. The DLRA has been explained by Butterworth, who was in 1962 public relations director of the United Klans of America, Incorporated Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, as being a front organization of the United Klans. James Venable, Legal Counsel for United Klans, is President of the DLRA.

The record as narrated by Butterworth is a long, rambling, incoherent dissertation on the assassination of President Kennedy and surrounding events. It is, of course, extremely anti-Jewish and anti-Negro and through distortion and speculation with complete disregard for true facts, it attempts to show that the "Communist-Jewish conspiracy" was responsible for the assassination and subsequent events.

In the narration Butterworth makes several references to the FBI: (1) that Oswald was caught by the FBI only a few days before President Kennedy's arrival (in Dallas) distributing Castro literature in New Orleans; (2) that the FBI knew he (Oswald) was in Dallas yet never put a single man to trail him as a source of danger; (3) that in spite of what traitor editors across the country write--like Ralph McGill and Eugene Patterson of the Atlanta papers--or the FBI, Lee Oswald did not assassinate President Kennedy and whoever believes he did is a fool.....

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(4) that Italians are unanimous in their belief that no expert can fire three shots with a telescopic sight in anywhere near five seconds as claimed by the Dallas Police and the FBI; and  
(5) that there are too many circumstances between Oswald and Ruby for it to be pure coincidence and nobody knows that better than the Dallas Police and the FBI.

The above statements concerning the FBI with the possible exception of number 2 are completely without foundation in fact as established by the investigation and are typical of the highly critical and vitriolic remarks made by Butterworth concerning the President's Commission, Congress, the Supreme Court, the U. S. Government and every other decent organization and public official mentioned by him in an effort to distort the facts to propagandize his extreme rightist's views.

Statement number 2 is partially true in that the FBI did know that Oswald was in Dallas, however, use of this statement in the DLRA context with their allegation of our not putting a single man to trail Oswald as a source of danger distorts the truth to create a warped impression as there was no information available to the Bureau which would indicate that Oswald was a source of danger as an assassin.

ACTION

In view of the fact that the record deals with the assassination of President Kennedy, a transcript of the record is being forwarded to the President's Commission along with a brief description of the DLRA and Butterworth's connection with the organization. Mr. Rankin is being advised that the "Partusian" as mentioned on page 9 of the transcript, probably refers to Abraham Zapruder, the amateur photographer who took 8 mm. color motion pictures of the assassination.

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