

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Mr. DeLoach

DATE: March 24, 1967

FROM : A. Rosen

- 1 - Mr. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. Rosen
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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT  
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY  
NOVEMBER 22, 1963  
DALLAS, TEXAS

By letter dated March 15, 1967, Lawrence Schiller of Capitol Records, Los Angeles, advised he had determined the identity of Mark Lane's confidential informant who was supposedly present and overheard an alleged meeting between Jack Ruby, Dallas Police Officer J. D. Tippit, and Bernard Weissman on November 14, 1963. The Director indicated the identity of Lane's informant should be obtained from Schiller.

On 3/22/67, Los Angeles interviewed Schiller who said Mark Lane's informant is "Paul Bridewell, also known as Phil Burns." Schiller said Bridewell is residing somewhere in the State of Oregon, possibly Portland or Rainier, and his exact location is probably known to one "John Sutton" who formerly was in radio business in Dallas, and Sutton is reported to be residing in Pennsylvania.

Schiller remarked Mark Lane learned of Bridewell through Theodore Waldo who was formerly associated with the Fort Worth, Texas, Newspaper "Sun Telegraph." Schiller also said the identity of Bridewell was obtained by him from Waldo.

During Schiller's interview, he mentioned he is an advocate of the Warren Commission's viewpoint and is opposed to "irresponsible journalism" of writers such as Lane. He also commented favorably concerning the Bureau and the work of the Bureau.

Schiller mentioned he has knowledge of a writer who is preparing an article under contract for "New Yorker" magazine, and the article allegedly will refer to the comments made by the Attorney General recently that the FBI had made a complete investigation of Clay Shaw in New Orleans. It is

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noted this writer reviewed material in the National Archives and failed to locate any reference to Shaw in our reports. Therefore, he will allegedly suggest we withheld information concerning Shaw from the Warren Commission, and his article will further suggest that if we withheld Shaw reports, perhaps additional information was withheld. Schiller indicated he would probably make the identity of this writer known at a future date.

We did not withhold any information developed during the assassination investigation from the Warren Commission. Further, we never investigated Shaw, in fact, never heard of him until his name appeared in connection with Garrison's current investigation. Efforts were made to identify Clay Bertrand without success, and District Attorney Garrison claims Bertrand and Shaw are one and the same. The Orleans Parish Grand Jury recently indicted Shaw for an alleged conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy.

Schiller volunteered additional information that three homosexual sources in New Orleans and two homosexual sources in San Francisco have indicated Clay Shaw was known by other names including the name of Clay Bertrand; however, Schiller said these sources would not give him statements concerning this information and refused to be identified as sources. Schiller mentioned he could not identify these homosexual sources to the FBI at this time.

In order to locate, identify, and interview Bridewell, Dallas will have to determine the present location of John Sutton and Theodore Waldo who are in possession of information concerning Bridewell and his location. Sutton and Waldo are known in Dallas and their exact location can be determined.

Based on information furnished, Paul Bridewell, also known as Phil Burns, was not identified in Bureau files.

ACTION:

Attached for approval is a teletype to Dallas instructing them to determine John Sutton's and Theodore Waldo's present location so they can be interviewed concerning Bridewell. Thereafter, Dallas will set forth appropriate leads so that Bridewell can be identified and interviewed.

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