

The "maybe Lyndon did it" speculations in that stronghold of the Democratic Party which is New York City may, in fact, be feedback from Communist inspired whisperings. They may be only a manifestation of distrust of political leaders bred by a long train of local usurpers of public trust. But the speculation goes on across the country as far as Washington State, too. I shudder to think what currency it has, or may come to have, in Republican party strongholds.

Any shadow on the succession to the Presidency of our Republic is a calamity. It must be recognized as such, by the President, by the Chief Justice, and by the Congress. A ghoulish legend that "Lyndon did it" would be worse than the fact of his having done it.

Lyndon Johnson owes it to his own family and to the people of his country to stifle any such legend. He now can do so only by stepping aside and insisting that the Congress investigate.

More than the dread deed in Dallas requires close scrutiny. A whole chain of omissions and commissions demands undismayed and unintimidated inquiry.

Edward Hunter, who served our country for many years as a psychological warfare expert, stated recently: "President Kennedy was deluded by the line that Communism is no menace here in America. He paid for this illusion with his life.

His horrible death should warn us against a similar 'assassination' of our nation, by a red sniper in space. The effort to divert attention from the pro-Communist, Marxian motivation of the killer could make this warning vain; if we, as a people, come to believe that Communism is not a deadly peril right here, or anywhere else it exists, our country will pay the same price as President Kennedy paid. We already were being successfully conditioned into acceptance of this delusion. The consequences could be immensely more tragic than what happened at Dallas."

With that sobering warning in mind, read now this editorial which appeared in the *Richmond News Leader* on 25 November 1963—the morning after Lee Harvey Oswald was gunned down:

The news explodes before the eyes of millions. We would like to set aside today to tell sad stories about the deaths of kings. But the silencing of Lee Harvey Oswald, unconfessed, is a disaster that approaches the disaster of Friday. Although we live in an age of international assassination, it will be difficult to uncover the ramifications of the plot. There is no reason whatever to believe that the United States are immune to the international Communist conspiracy.

The prime suspect, in our opinion, is not Khrushchev, who was already making good progress toward his goals. The finger points to Fidel Castro, an old hand at assassina-

man who neither needs nor wants to be shielded. I am sure that he would rather face this ugliness than leave it for his children and grandchildren to face in ten years, or twenty or thirty.

Let us, then, get on with facing it. Follow me, if you will, through this clogged slit-trench of foulness. In composite, the "legend" goes something like this: "Lyndon was done. After Billie Sol Estes, the Korth affair, TFX, and the Bobby Baker mess, he was coming off the ticket in '64. He was headed for oblivion. Smathers of Florida was going to replace him as Kennedy's running-mate. Lyndon knew it. And where did it happen? In Texas, his home-ground, where he owns the Governor, and the police to cover up. Notice that he stopped Congress from investigating. He had to have a hand-picked Presidential Commission do the job, with Warren, who vacations with Tito and Khrushchev, heading it. Brother! It's hard not to think about it, Lyndon had the most to gain . . . etc. . . etc. . . etc. . ."

Does that sound demented? How many different theories have you read about the assassination of President Lincoln? Reflect for a moment on how the Kennedy assassination legend can grow in thirty years' time.

The timing, the locale, the circumstances fertilized the rumor. Unhappily, Lyndon Johnson nourished it, himself. He did pres-

sure the elected representatives of the people, the Congress, to abandon plans for televised public hearings into the whole affair. Then, in one of the most unfortunate coincidences in history, he implemented precisely the call of the Communist press for "an investigating committee, headed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. . . ." He insisted that the Justice Department and the Treasury Department, both of which are responsible to him, investigate themselves. He asked them to report their findings to seven men he hand-picked. And the public, denied prompt access to the official reports, said "What the hell kind of investigation is that? What is Lyndon trying to cover up?"

The suspicious were made more suspicious. The legend grew.

On the record, Chief Justice Warren had prejudged, without evidence, a case which ultimately could have come before the Supreme Court. He publicly blamed the crime on "forces of hatred and malevolence, such as today are eating their way into the blood-stream of American life." Whatever the Chief Justice intended, the press interpreted his remarks as an attack on "right-wing extremists." And then there was the question of the position of the Chief Justice should the case against Jack Rubenstein come to the Supreme Court.

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STIFLE THE LEGEND

There are some things which we, as Americans, must stop and talk about. They are not pretty things. In fact, they are ugly and unpleasant. Death always is.

The very ugliest—and cleverest—of possible rumors is abroad in our land. It didn't just grow. Like all rumors, it was planted by someone. That someone had a purpose.

The rumor concerns our new President. Unchecked, it is going to become a legend—a legend that some of our children will believe and repeat openly, and that our grandchildren, and our President's grandchildren, will read books about.

It must be stopped.

None is so bold, as yet, to offer up this rumor openly at cocktails or dinner. It passes, instead, in confidential tones between intimates. It is not a "have you heard?" rumor. It is an "I can't get it out of my mind" rumor. "I know it's silly, but it keeps crossing my mind" says another. The next observes seriously that "you have to consider it a possibility, he had the most to gain."

There is in the making a legend that "Lyndon did it."

If President Johnson and his family have not been told this, then they are being shielded.

I, for one, respect the President as a

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By
Lyle H. Munson

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
11-22-63, DALLAS, TEXAS

*2 cc of enclosure to
President's Commission
with below letter
RJR*

ReBureau teletypes to Dallas, 3/5 and 13/64
requesting transcript of all radio transmissions from
local and state police capable of being received in Dallas;
and Dallas teletype to Bureau, 3/13/64.

Enclosed herewith are 10 copies of a Letterhead
Memorandum containing a transcript of pertinent radio trans-
missions by the Department of Public Safety in connection
with instant matter made available to SA JAMES W. BOOKHOUT
on March 9, 1964.

Inquiry at the Dallas Police Department on March 16,
1964, indicates transcript of pertinent radio transmissions
will be completed on Wednesday, March 18, 1964.

In view of completion of JACK L. RUBY trial on Sat-
urday, March 14, 1964, contact being had with Dallas County
Sheriff's Office in an effort to expedite their compilation
of the desired transcript.

Every effort will be made to obtain the transcripts
from the Dallas PD and Dallas SO, as soon as possible for
submission in a supplemental Letterhead Memorandum.

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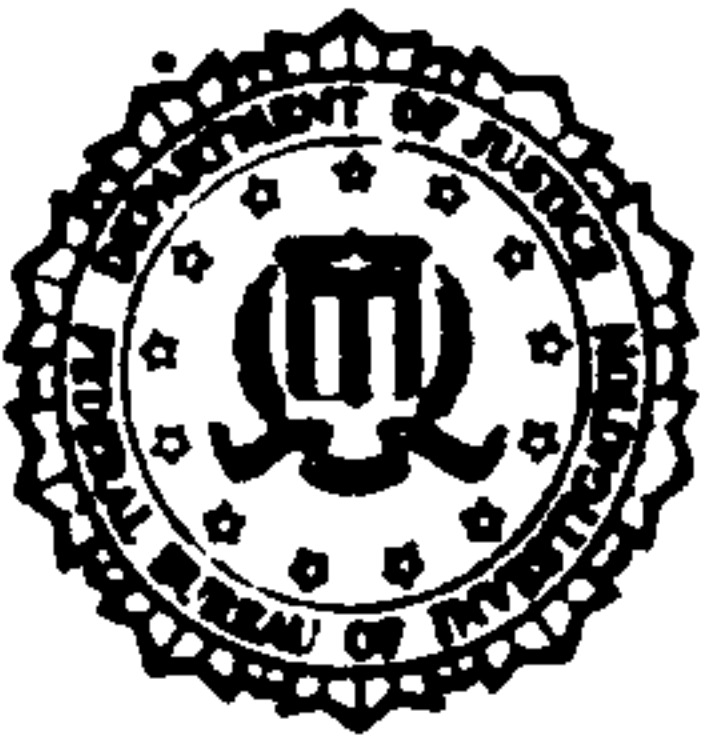
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Dallas, Texas
March 16, 1964

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

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On March 9, 1964, Captain Crowder made available to a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the original of a Department of Public Safety Interoffice Memorandum prepared March 6, 1964 by Texas Ranger Lester H. Robertson, which is set forth as follows:

"DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

"Date March 6, 1964

"To: Captain R. A. Crowder, Company 'B',
Texas Rangers Division Rangers

"From: Sergeant Lester H. Robertson

"Subject: Report for F.B.I. regarding Radio Station
KKQ 395 Log from 12:20 P.M. 11-22-63 until
6:00 P.M. 11-24-63

"Per your instructions to check the radio log of State
Radio Station KKQ 395, Dallas, from 12:20 P.M. 11-22-63
until 6:00 P.M. 11-24-63 and select all transmissions

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"that were audible to the Dallas area (1) as it relates to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy; (2) as it relates to the murder of Police Officer J. D. Tippitt; (3) as it relates to any investigation of said assassination and murder; and (4) as it relates to the security and movement of Lee Harvey Oswald.

"On March 6, 1964, in cooperation with Marvin Duval, Operator in Charge of Station KKQ 695, Dallas, we checked each item on the log and picked out items pertaining to the four above mentioned subject matters.

"This is a handwritten log and is entered in a very brief form and at times when an extreme emergency occurs, such as this, there are some transmissions completely omitted on the log due to the heavy volume of traffic.

"On 11-22-63 Radio Operators on duty were Donald Gee and Larry Rogers:

12:35 PM -- Information pertaining to an incident involving the President.
(Station went on 10-33 traffic)

12:44 PM -- Unit 1802, return to Radio Station as soon as possible.

12:50 PM -- Unit 1120 enroute to Parkland Hospital.

12:51 PM -- General Broadcast - All stations. This station handling 10-33 traffic only.

12:57 PM -- Unit 1120 advised he had delivered the people to Parkland Hospital.

12:59 PM -- Unit 6505 given information on attempted assassination of President Kennedy.

1:01 PM -- Unit 1126 was asked to furnish information on the attempted assassination.

1:01 PM -- Unit 1503 advised he would go to Parkland Hospital and obtain information needed.

1:13 PM -- Called Unit 1126. Asked for information pertaining to Governor Connally for Colonel Garrison and Colonel Speirs, who were standing by awaiting this information in Austin.

1:20 PM -- Station to All. This station is on 10-33 traffic.

1:27 PM -- Unit 1126. Information on Governor Connally's condition.

1:31 PM -- Unit 1120. What is Governor Connally's Location.
 1:31 PM -- Station advised Unit 1108 to stand by for assignment.
 2:08 PM -- Unit 1503 checked 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.
 2:55 PM -- Unit 1126 was told to relieve Unit 1503 at Parkland Hospital.
 3:43 PM -- Unit 77 will arrive Dallas-Garland Airport in 25 to 30 minutes.
 3:55 PM -- Unit 66 enroute to Dallas from Austin.
 3:55 PM -- Unit 1278 out of service at Southwest Airmotive.

"Changed Operators 4:00 PM. Operators on duty are Terry Greene and Everett Wright.

4:05 PM -- Unit 1503 advised Station if further information is needed, I will go to Sheriff's Office.
 5:49 PM -- Unit 5159 advised he had checked a car with two Latins and one White, north of Grapevine on Hwy. 114 and they were released as they checked out okay.
 5:49 PM -- Called Unit 1108. Dispatch a unit to Southwest Airmotive.
 6:06 PM -- Unit 4 advised to call Captain Fritz.
 6:07 PM -- Subjects checked okay north of Grapevine.
 7:50 PM -- Units 1108 and 1101 checked 10-6 at Southwest Airmotive.
 8:36 PM -- Unit 1127 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.
 9:31 PM -- Unit 1127 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.
 10:52 PM -- Unit 1108 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.

"Changed Operators 12:00 Midnight. Operator on duty Jerry Landress.

12:07 AM -- Unit 1133 exchanged information with Station regarding Lee Harvey Oswald.
 1:35 AM -- Unit 1127 enroute back to Parkland Hospital.
 1:42 AM -- Unit 1127 arrived Parkland Hospital.
 6:53 AM -- Unit 1183 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 7:49 AM -- Unit 1126 10-10 Parkland Hospital.

"Changed Operators 8:00 AM 11-23-63. Operators on duty are Larry Rogers and Donald Gee.

8:15 AM -- Unit 1131 10-8 Parkland Hospital.
 8:28 AM -- Unit 1128 10-8 to Love Field.

8:46 AM -- Unit 1131 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 9:42 AM -- Unit 1124 10-10 Southwest Airmotive.
 9:52 AM -- Unit 1707 was given information as to
 where to report at Parkland Hospital.
 10:02 AM -- Unit 1124 was 10-8 at Southwest Airmotive.
 10:35 AM -- Unit 1802 10-10 Parkland Hospital (for
 purpose of installing emergency radio
 station at Parkland Hospital).
 11:59 AM -- Unit 1124 checked 10-10 at Love Field.
 12:45 PM -- Emergency Unit checked 10-8 Parkland
 Hospital, call letters being 1805.
 1:17 PM -- Unit 77 gave information on time of his
 arrival in Dallas.
 1:21 PM -- Unit 1805 advised that Christian and Rose
 of the Governor's Office aboard.
 1:30 PM -- Unit 4 checked out at Dallas P.D.
 1:53 PM -- Unit 1126 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 2:28 PM -- Unit 66 sent message to Austin.
 3:41 PM -- Unit 1124 is 10-8 to Southwest Airmotive.

"Changed Operators 4:00 PM. Operators on duty are
 Terry Greene and Everett Wright.

4:02 PM -- Unit 4 was instructed to call Colonel
 Garrison as soon as possible.
 4:19 PM -- Unit 4 was advised to call Colonel
 Garrison.
 4:35 PM -- Unit 1126 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.
 4:40 PM -- Unit 1602 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 4:52 PM -- Unit 1704 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 11:50 PM -- Unit 1708 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.

"Changed Operators 12:00 Midnight. Operator on
 duty Bill Dawson.

12:23 AM -- Unit 1612 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.
 12:36 AM -- Unit 1134 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 12:44 AM -- Unit 1127 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 7:18 AM -- Unit 1102 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.

"Changed Operators 8:00 AM 11-24-63. Operator on duty
 Jerry Landress.

8:30 AM -- Unit 1183 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.
 8:56 AM -- Unit 1707 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.
 11:27 AM -- Unit 1805 gave information reference
 Oswald.
 11:37 AM -- Unit 1805. Information regarding Lee
 Harvey Oswald.

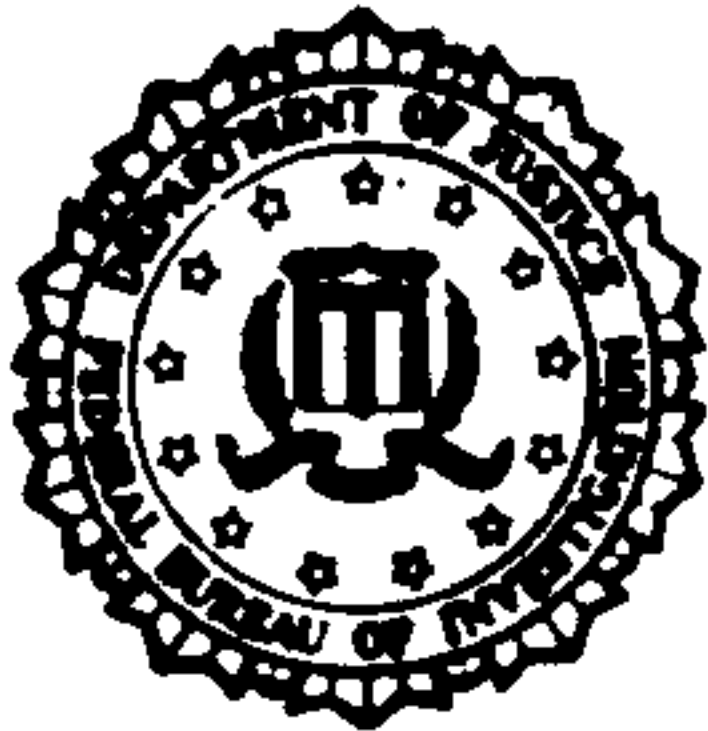
11:37 AM -- Unit 1101. Information regarding Lee
 Harvey Oswald.
 11:37 AM -- Unit 1150. Information regarding Lee
 Harvey Oswald.
 11:41 AM -- Unit 1101 was given information regarding
 Lee Harvey Oswald.
 11:41 AM -- Unit 1801 was 10-8 to Regional Office.
 11:42 AM -- Unit 1601 given information reference units
 needed at Parkland Hospital.
 11:52 AM -- Unit 1703. Information regarding Parkland
 Hospital.
 11:52 AM -- Unit 1132 was 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.
 11:54 AM -- Unit 1124 was 10-10 Governor's Office,
 Parkland Hospital.
 11:57 AM -- Unit 1101 given information regarding
 assistance at Parkland Hospital.
 12:31 PM -- Unit 1805 advised that Unit 4 was 10-8 to
 Parkland Hospital.
 12:32 PM -- Unit 4 checked 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.
 12:50 PM -- General Broadcast. 10-33 traffic until
 further advised.
 1:06 PM -- Unit 1185 to Parkland Hospital.
 1:08 PM -- Unit 1142 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 2:09 PM -- Unit 1185 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 2:16 PM -- Unit 1181 10-10 Parkland Hospital.
 2:27 PM -- Unit 1805 advised Unit 201 to call Unit 1801
 at Regional Office.
 2:29 PM -- Unit 1186 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.
 2:47 PM -- Unit 1805 advised to call 1701.
 3:36 PM -- Unit 1802 10-8 to Parkland Hospital.
 3:56 PM -- Unit 1802 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.

"Changed Operators 4:00 PM. Operators on duty are Terry
 Greene and Donald Gee.

4:10 PM -- Unit 1172 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.
 4:18 PM -- Unit 1174 10-10 at Parkland Hospital.
 5:57 PM -- Unit 4 checked 10-6 at Dallas P.D.

"Trusting this is the information needed and meets with
 your approval.

"/s/Lester H. Robertson
 "Lester H. Robertson, Sergeant
 Company "B", Texas Rangers
 Dallas, Texas"



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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
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Dallas, Texas
March 16, 1964

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

"Date March 6, 1964

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Texas Rangers Division Rangers

"From: Sergeant Lester H. Robertson

"Subject: Report for F.B.I. regarding Radio Station
KKQ 395 Log from 12:20 P.M. 11-22-63 until
6:00 P.M. 11-24-63

"Per your instructions to check the radio log of State Radio Station KKQ 395, Dallas, from 12:20 P.M. 11-22-63 until 6:00 P.M. 11-24-63 and select all transmissions

March 12, 1964

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Mr. Lawrence ~~Sullivan~~
Coordinator of Information
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C. 20515

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Dear Mr. Sullivan:

I received your note of March 6th, with enclosures, and want you to know how much I appreciate your forwarding this data to us.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Correspondent frequently sends press releases and other data which are acknowledged by brief replies from the Director. The booklet he enclosed, "Stifle the Legend" cannot be identified in Bufiles. It contains a brief quotation on page 10 which is taken from the 1961 Annual Report and which relates to the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. The quotation is accurate. The author of this booklet, Lyle H. ~~Munson~~, is one of the partners in The Bookmailer, Inc., a New York firm. Munson has acted as Consultant for the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee and has previously published information of an anticommunist nature. It has been noted that his enthusiasm may outweigh his good judgment. The "Legend" this booklet intends to destroy is the rumor that President Lyndon Johnson was responsible for the assassination.

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Our previous on JOESTEN has been destroyed. Does not appear to be necessary at this time. However, if active inquiry re JOESTEN becomes desirable here, please furnish copies of our previous. We are alert for article in "Der Stern."

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To: SAC, Charlotte
From: Director, FBI (62-109060) - 2611

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY
NOVEMBER 22, 1963
DALLAS, TEXAS

By letter dated March 11, 1964, Assistant Attorney General Herbert J. Miller, Jr., Criminal Division, furnished the Bureau enclosed letter from Mr. Warren E. Sipple dated February 18, 1964. A copy of this letter is enclosed for your information.

In Mr. Sipple's last paragraph he made reference to some inconsistencies and some matters of coincidence in this case regarding the death of Lieutenant Clarkson, alleging "there could be a link to Dallas."

It is not clear what is meant by Mr. Sipple and therefore Charlotte is instructed to interview Mr. Warren E. Sipple thoroughly concerning this matter. Following the interview of Mr. Sipple, furnish results of your interview to Savannah for their assistance in interviewing Mrs. Kate A. Clarkson of Columbia, South Carolina.

Savannah is instructed to hold in abeyance any interview of Mrs. Clarkson until such information is furnished to them.

You are instructed to submit twenty-five copies in appropriate insert form to the Dallas Division revealing the results of your inquiries. Also prepare appropriate letterhead memorandum and forward to the Bureau, deleting the property stamp.

Enclosure

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Airtel to Charlotte

**Re: Assassination of President
John F. Kennedy**

For your information, Mr. Sipple telephonically attempted to contact the Attorney General on 2/15/64 and in absence of personnel in the Attorney General's office the call was referred to the Bureau. At that time Mr. Sipple did not furnish any information regarding the nature of his inquiry. This telephone call was confirmed by letter to the Attorney General. Bureau files are otherwise negative concerning Mr. Sipple and Mrs. Kate A. Clarkson.

This matter should be handled promptly.

NOTE: Assistant Attorney General Herbert J. Miller, Jr., forwarded a copy of letter to the Bureau which was written by Warren E. Sipple in which he states his mother-in-law, Mrs. Kate A. Clarkson was concerned over the matter of death of her son, First Lieutenant Edward M. Clarkson, USAF, on April 10, 1963. Lieutenant Clarkson disappeared while on alert with his crew. In the early morning of April 10, 1963, his auto was found on a bridge near the Mad River near Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. His body was recovered from the water approximately ten hours later. Mrs. Clarkson has been unable to obtain any information on the investigation other than a statement by the Air Force that death was due to drowning and that they have neither found a motive for suicide nor evidence which would indicate foul play. Sipple claims there are some inconsistencies in connection with this case and alleged there could be some link to Dallas in this situation. The exact implication in this matter is unknown.

Memorandum

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: March 11 1964

FROM : Herbert J. Miller, Jr.
Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

HJM:WEF:mms
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SUBJECT: WARREN E. SIPPLE
25 Burgundy Drive
Greenville, South Carolina

Enclosed for your information is a copy of a letter received from above captioned subject.

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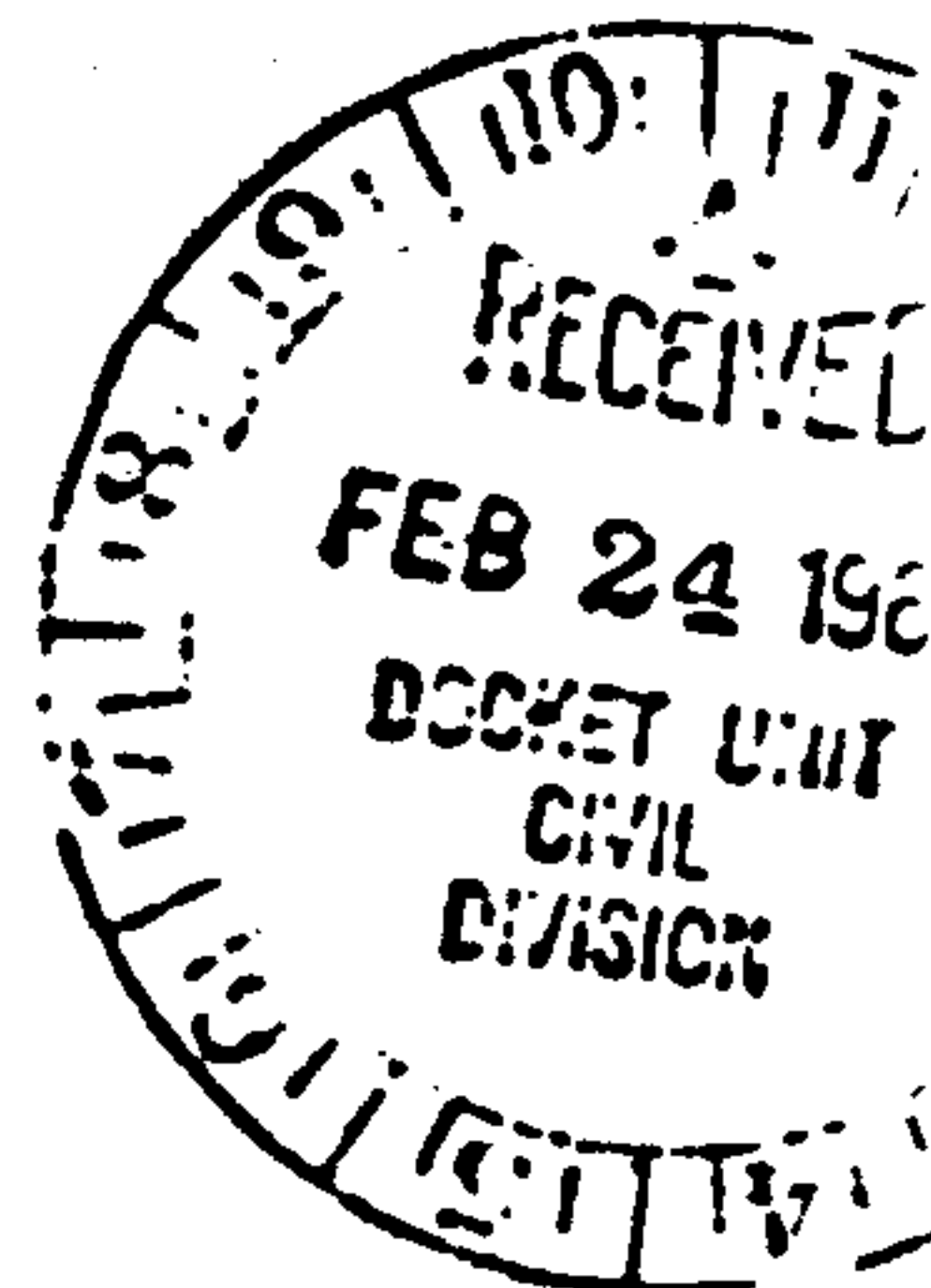
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M. J. Miller
CORRESPONDENCE
6/24

25 Burgundy Drive
Greenville, South Carolina
February 18, 1964



The Honorable Robert F. Kennedy
Attorney General of the United States
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This has reference to my telephone conversation with your secretary, Miss Curtin, on this date on behalf of my mother-in-law, Mrs. Kate A. Clarkson, of Columbia, South Carolina, in the matter of the death of her son, 1/Lt. Edward M. Clarkson, 51672A, USAF, on April 10, 1963.

DOCKET UNIT - 63

Lt. Clarkson, a co-pilot on a C-135 type aircraft of the 922nd Air Refueling Squadron stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, disappeared while on alert with his crew in the early morning hours of the date mentioned. His car was found some hours later on a bridge over the Huffman Dam on the Mad River near the air base. The engine was running and the lights were burning. His body was recovered from the waters below the dam some ten hours later.

Although she has made many efforts, Mrs. Clarkson has been unable to get any information on the official investigation other than a statement by the Air Force that death was due to drowning and that they have neither found a motive for suicide nor found evidence which indicated foul play.

We have noted many inconsistencies and some matter of coincidence in this case, and we have been very anxious to contact you personally due to the fact that there could be a link to Dallas involved in this situation. If it is at all possible, we would like to have you grant an interview to Mrs. Clarkson so that she could complete this story with the details which she has available.

Yours very truly,

Warren E. Sipple
Warren E. Sipple

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See memo