

Notes on Hoover

Did Hoover lead a relentless and flawless inquiry into the JFK assassination?

Hoover - Role in the cover-up.

S/B theory was like the immaculate conception. One either believes it or not.

Hoover, with all of his faults, was not involved in the planning to take down JFK.

He has to be judged in the role of his FBI in the national cover up. He is of paramount interest to us because he was critical to the success of the cover-up.

Kennedys would have retired Hoover when he reached the mandatory age of 70. had JFK lived to be reelected in 1964. JFK thought he was weird. . . .and Bobby (saw some of his attitude to the Director in "Brothers") thought Hoover senile and 'rather a psycho.")

LBJ wanted the case closed sine die. . . .Hoover was willing to oblige because he wanted to please Lyndon and in earning his trust and gratefulness the new president would wave federal law and keep him as FBI Director. . .

Hoover was not concerned over who killed JFK. For example, on 11/23 (Saturday) after Hoover had a phone conversation with LBJ where he told the president that there was a Oswald impersonator in Mexico City when the real Oswald was supposed to be in Mexico City. . . . and that this false Oswald was in touch with the Soviet Embassy in MC and spoke with Kostikov. . .He also notes that the case against Oswald was so far not "very, very strong." And that as the case stood that Saturday when Hoover was getting rep[orts from the FBI lab & evidence boys he told LBJ "The case as it stands now is not strong enough to get a conviction." That all changed after Oswald was assassinated. . . (p. 13).

Was he concerned? Apparently not. . . .that afternoon he and his Bureau no. # 2 man Clyde Tolson spent the rest of the day at Pimlico race track where between races Hoover conducted the investigation from an office phone that was provided for him ., . . .while Tolson placed the bets. . . .

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