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***Rockefeller Commission Covered It Up, But EX-CIA Agent Says...***

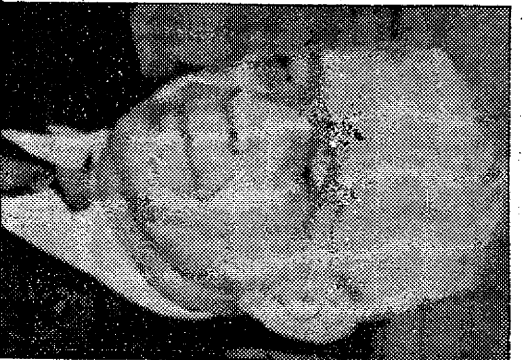
# **These Men Murdered Pres. John Kennedy**



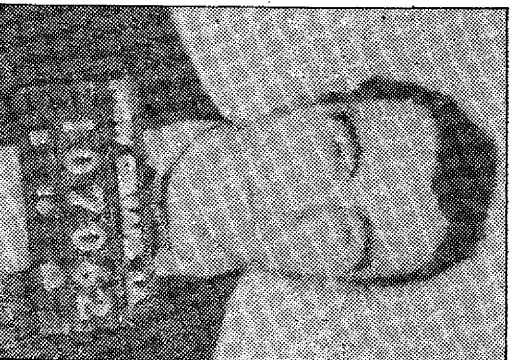
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EUGENE HALE BRADING



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DAVID FERRIE



LEE HARVEY OSWALD

### By JOHN MOULDER Special Projects Editor

Two members of a sniper team who killed President John Fitzgerald Kennedy have been identified by a former Central Intelligence Agency operative. Named were Loran Hall, a key figure with a record of intrigue, and Manuel del Valle, a Cuban congressman under the Batista Regime and later an underworld figure in the United States after Fidel Castro's rebel government took over the island republic.

The former CIA agent says several other persons who considered themselves "American patriots" helped plan the assassination and said the actual operation was ramrodded by Eugene Hale Brading, a member of a West Coast Mafia family. Elements within the CIA and the Mafia, financed by wealthy right-wing interests, planned and carried out Kennedy's assassination, according to the ex-agent.

Much of this information has been provided to governmental agencies investigating the CIA by W.R. Morris, a Lorretto, Tenn., author who has been probing the Kennedy case for a decade.

## WORLDWIDE EXCLUSIVE

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Ten men, according to the former agent, attended a meeting in Mexico City on Sept. 18, 1963, where the assassination of Kennedy was discussed. Among those present at the meeting, he said, were:

**LEE HARVEY OSWALD**, the man the Warren Commission named as the "lone assassin" of President Kennedy in what critics believe is the greatest coverup in history.

**CLAY SHAW**, a New Orleans

businessman whom District Attorney Jim Garrison charged with conspiracy to kill Kennedy. Shaw was tried and acquitted.

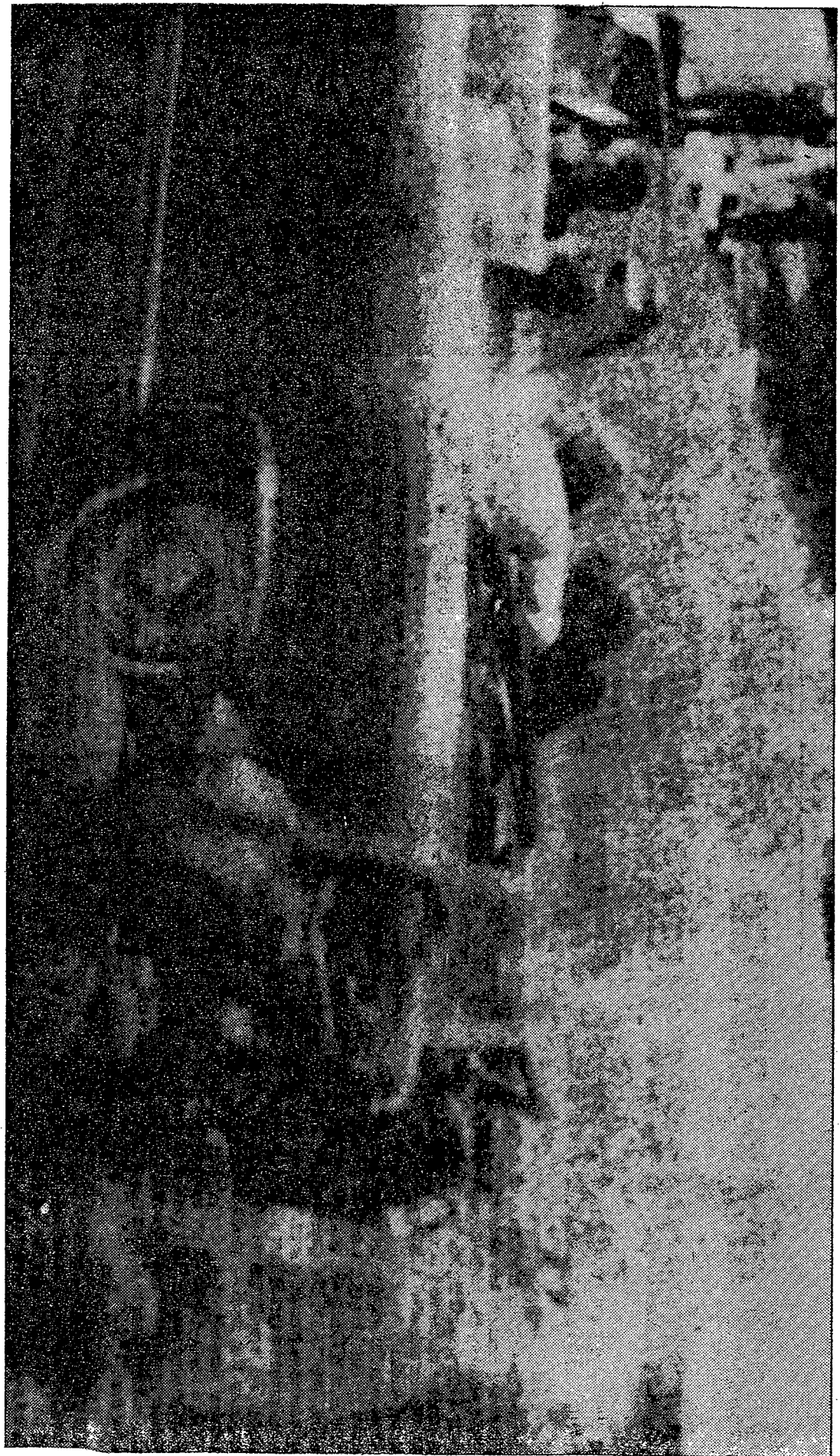
**DAVID FERRIE**, private investigator for Louisiana Mafia boss Carlos Marcello and a key witness in Garrison's abortive investigation of the Kennedy conspiracy.

Only two of these men are still living — Hall and Brading. Here's how the others met their deaths:

After a New Orleans newspaper prematurely broke the story of Garrison's investigation in early 1967, Ferrie, later labeled by the DA as "one of

# Proof Jack Ruby Worked for the FBI

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# Tattler Bonus Report Breaks JFK Assassination Case Wide Open

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 the most important individuals of the 20th Century," was found dead in his apartment. Medical experts said a karate chop could have caused the brain hemorrhage that killed Ferrie.

On the same day, del Valle was found dead on a street in Miami. His skull had been crushed and he had been shot three times.

Shaw died last year in New Orleans under mysterious circumstances soon after former CIA official Victor Marchetti revealed that Shaw was a contract employee of the CIA.

Oswald was gunned down by nightclub owner and underworld character Jack Ruby in the basement of the Dallas City Hall two days after Kennedy was killed.

**RUBY DIED** of cancer in 1966 after telling friends he was being injected with deadly poison and after being rebuffed by Chief Justice Earl Warren and President Gerald Ford on his pleas to be taken to Washington to reveal what he knew about the assassination events.

Ferrie, who died a year later, had experimented in injecting cancer cells in small animals.

Two, possibly three, plans to kill Kennedy at a place other than Dallas were also discussed, according to intelligence sources.

The former CIA agent said plots had been discussed to kill Kennedy in either Mexico City or Miami, Fla.

Evidence has also turned up that Chicago and Milwaukee were considered as possible sites to eliminate Kennedy.

**RICHARD H. POPKIN**, a philosophy professor at Washington University in St. Louis and author of "The Second Oswald,"

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR



told TATTLER he also has evidence that "can break the case wide open." He, too, is getting his information from people who are or who have been connected with the CIA.

Author W. R. Morris is working with two former CIA men - one an attorney, the other a private investigator in the Los Angeles area.

The private investigator says Oswald was a CIA agent himself and was set up "as a patsy" to be arrested, promptly eliminated, with suspicion being taken away from a conspiracy.

Morris met Oswald's CIA partner on Nov. 24, 1967, as the investigator placed a bouquet of flowers on Oswald's grave in Rose Hill Cemetery in Fort Worth on the third anniversary of Oswald's death.

Special Projects Editor John Moulder, who authored this special section was an investigative reporter for the Dallas Times Herald and Fort Worth Press before coming to TATTLER two years ago. As a Texas journalist for many years he broke numerous stories of national importance. He has won more than 20 state, regional and national awards for journalistic excellence.

As one of Texas' leading reporters he became involved with the story of the

JFK assassination from the day Kennedy was killed. Today, without doubt, he is the most knowledgeable journalist in America on the subject of the John Kennedy assassination.

His sources for much of the information contained in this special report range from informants within the CIA to scholars on university campuses. He has painstakingly documented the facts presented here. And, as this issue goes to press, he

is in the process of documenting other highly sensitive material in his session.

It is virtually an impossible task to solve fully the mystery surrounding the JFK assassination because much pertinent evidence remains locked in the National Archives in Washington. But, with this special report, John Moulder has come closer to solution than anything yet presented to the American public.

-The Editor

**THE INVESTIGATOR** said he visits Oswald's grave annually and feels, "It could easily have been me buried here."

"They killed Kennedy because they felt he was pro-Communist and was a cancerous disease spreading across America," Morris told TATTLER.

The ex-CIA agent said he personally picked up \$10,000 from a former U.S. congressman with strong ties to a right-wing radical group and delivered it to another man in Mexico City. The other man, he said, was to turn the money over to Oswald to end up eventually as part of a fund to finance the assassination.

**AFTER DALLAS** was chosen as the assassination site, according to Morris and

the former agent, it was planned for Kennedy to be slain at the Trade Mart, where the President was to attend a luncheon on Nov. 22, 1963.

At the last minute, they said, the assassination site was changed to Dallas' Dealey Plaza, where Kennedy's head was blown away by snipers firing into the President's passing motorcade.

Del Valle and Hall were stationed above the Grassy Knoll, west of the Texas School Book Depository Building, Morris said.

"Brading served as a field marshal for the operation," he said.

Brading, an ex-convict with connections with the Mafia on the West Coast, was arrested under the name of "Jim Braden" for

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questioning shortly after Kennedy was assassinated.

He was picked up at the Dal-Tex Building — where some investigators believe sniper shots were fired — and told authorities he had gone into the building to use a telephone to call his “family” in California.

**BRADING WAS RELEASED** after questioning. It was not until several years later — through the efforts of a Los Angeles television newsman and others — that it was revealed that the man arrested as Jim Braden in Dealey Plaza was actually Eugene Hale Brading, a notorious underworld figure.

**TATTLER** became the first publication in the world to reveal the story of Oswald’s CIA ties, as revealed by the former agent who was his partner, in its May 25, 1975 issue.

Since then, Morris and Oswald’s former CIA contact have been interviewed by Tom Snyder of NBC’s “Tommorrow” show and have been flooded with requests for additional national exposure. The “Tommorrow” show has not been aired as of this writing.

Following the **TATTLER** article, the former CIA agent’s hotel room in New York was burglarized in what smacks of a government intelligence operation.

And Morris, the author of “The Twelfth of August,” the popular biography of “Walking Tall” hero Buford Pusser, has had his life threatened since the **TATTLER** article appeared.

**A STRANGER WALKED** into Morris’ offices in Lorretto, Tenn., and left a copy of the article on his desk. In black ink, a cross had been drawn across the author’s picture that appeared in the article.

The ex-agent’s room was entered in the Sheraton Hotel in New York City by a man who closely resembled the former agent.

The stranger went to the hotel’s desk clerk on a Sunday afternoon and asked for the key to Room 1466. The clerk asked the stranger’s name. He said “Falon” — an assumed name used by the former agent — and the clerk said, “You’re in 1465,” and gave the stranger the key.

The former agent was registered in Room 1465 under the name “Dean Falon,” an alias he had used on many intelligence missions as a government operative.

**LATER, THE EX-AGENT** found that only a suit of clothing was missing from the room. Hotel security policemen, told about the reasons Morris and the ex-agent were in New York, said they were convinced the incident was not a routine burglary and that the suit was taken from the room as a cover for searching the room.

The former agent was away from the hotel at the time, but he had taken with him letters and documents concerning his government

## Eugene Brading

With ease, Eugene Hale Brading slipped through the hands of authorities in Dallas after President Kennedy was assassinated without his underworld connections being known.

The reason: Two months before the assassination he had changed the name on his California driver’s license to “Jim Braden.”

And Brading-Braden would turn up in Los Angeles five years later when Sen. Robert Kennedy was assassinated.

He was arrested in 1963 after stepping off an elevator in the Dal-Tex Building across Houston Street from the Book Depository minutes after the assassination.

**HE SAID HE WAS** in Dallas on oil business and had gone into the Dal-Tex Building to use a telephone to call his “family.”

He gave sheriff’s deputies the name “Braden” and he was released after questioning. Nor was his identity learned when FBI agents questioned him months later.

Years later, then aware of who Braden was, agents were investigating reports that Brading was a courier for laundering Mafia money in Holland and Switzerland.

Brading-Braden, when interviewed by the FBI in 1964, said that he was unfamiliar with Dallas.

But Eugene Hale Brading and his partner, Victor Emanuel Periera, were well-known in Dallas and Texas — having made headlines in scandals growing out of their trade of marrying and swindling wealthy widows.

**ONCE, AFTER** Periera and Brading were arrested in Dallas on vagrancy charges, Dallas County Sheriff Bill Decker refused to release them unless they left the county within 48 hours. When they complained they were being harassed, Decker told them, “You’re in my county now.”

But by the beginning of this decade, Brading, aka Braden, was among the socially elite of California’s jet-set — a regular at the posh La Costa Country Club in California.

Re-married and living the good life, nobody would ever call Brading a vagrant again.

intelligence background.

The ex-agent’s real identity is well-known to persons investigating the Kennedy case, but he has asked to remain publicly anonymous for the time being for fear of his personal safety.

“He’s scared to death,” said Morris.

The ex-agent said he reported the alleged assassination plot to his superiors, who he

didn't name, within the CIA. Other than reporting the plot, he said, he took no further action to head off the assassination plans.

The former agent said he did not attend the Sept. 18, 1963 meeting in Mexico City, although he was aware of it and tried to attend. At least one other assassination researcher believes that the ex-agent was at the meeting.

**OSWALD, ACCORDING** to the former agent, was not "dumb" as claimed by his, Oswald's, Russian-born wife Marina who is now working as a salesperson in the little girl's clothing section of a Dallas department store.

Oswald was described by the intelligence contact as "one of the best agents - he had two top points. He kept his mouth shut and he was intelligent."

The 24-year-old Oswald is known to have gone to Mexico City in September of 1963. Warren Commission documents show that Oswald is believed to have visited the Russian and Cuban embassies in Mexico City.

Three de-classified pictures found in the National Archives show a man walking out of one of the embassies. The pictures were allegedly taken secretly by the CIA and were identified as "Lee Harvey Oswald." However, the pictures were obviously not the Lee Harvey Oswald who was slain in Dallas after being accused of assassinating the President.

**MORRIS SAID THAT** while the assassination plot involved some anti-Castroites - namely del Valle - "Castro himself was not involved."

The people involved at the top, he said, "are strong and powerful and influential."

Del Valle, according to Morris' information, attended a meeting at a Jacksboro Highway saloon in Fort Worth the night before the assassination and the night Kennedy spent at Hotel Texas in Fort Worth.

Del Valle and Ferrie had worked together in anti-Castro missions, according to Morris.

Ferrie, a former airlines pilot, was paid \$1,000 a trip by del Valle to bomb Cuban sugar cane fields after the Castro takeover, Morris said.

Ferrie was paid \$1,500 if the trip involved landing his plane on the back roads of Cuba to bring back refugees to be trained in the Miami area for the ill-fated Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba.

Morris said del Valle was also involved in gambling and narcotics activities in the U.S.

(**TATTLER's** investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy began the moment he was declared dead but sharply increased during 1973. Since then two sources of **TATTLER** exclusive articles concerning the assassination have died under highly irregular circumstances. While this publication has the names of all those who attended the Mexico City assassination

## Loran Hall

Loran Eugene Hall's shadowy background and bizarre activities have popped up time and again in the investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy.

Hall was a key and controversial figure in former New Orleans Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's investigation of the Kennedy case.

In 1963, Hall was an organizer for an anti-Castro commando group led by David Ferrie. Authorities shortly afterward arrested Hall in Florida and confiscated a cache of arms and drugs.

**HALL IN 1964** told the FBI that he had been in Dallas in September 1963 in connection with his anti-Castro activities and had visited Mrs. Sylvia Odio. Mrs. Odio testified before the Warren Commission that "Leon Oswald" - later she identified the man as Lee Harvey Oswald - had attended a meeting at her home.

A Nov. 23, 1963, FBI report tells of an informant that reported Loran Hall had redeemed a 30.06 rifle from a Los Angeles pawn shop.

But the FBI report concluded: "No further investigation was conducted, as it is obvious that the rifle mentioned above was not used in connection with the assassination of President Kennedy."

In 1968, Garrison failed in his efforts to get California judges to extradite Hall to New Orleans.

Hall had fought Garrison's efforts to get him to testify, but on May 1, 1968, he changed his mind.

**HE TOLD REPORTERS** his memory had been "jogged" and said he had been present at meetings in California where the murder of Kennedy had been discussed.

He voluntarily went to New Orleans and gave a lengthy statement to the DA's office.

Hall said Kennedy's assassination "was precipitated by the Fascists and the rightist anarchists and ... actually they are one and the same. I firmly believe that the rightists, anarchists and the CIA can take over our country right now and it would be a Fascist state except for two things. They would first have to demolish and destroy the conservative movement by the radical right. They would have to destroy organizations such as the John Birch Society."

planning meeting, the efforts are underway to prove who backed the murder and funded the activities of the assassins. More details will be published in forthcoming issues of this paper.)