

Transcript of Astonishing Tape Discloses . . .

Right-Wing Extremist Revealed Blueprint for Assassination 13 Days Before It Happened—And the FBI Knew!

Just 13 days before President John F. Kennedy was gunned down in Dallas, a right-wing extremist revealed details of the assassination with bloodcurdling accuracy.

The shocking plans were secretly recorded by Miami police and given to the FBI—but incredibly they let the potential assassin roam free.

A transcript of the astonishing tape — a blueprint for murder — was obtained by The ENQUIRER.

On it, the late Joseph A. Milteer, who was a member of the White Citizens Council of Atlanta, Ga., reveals in stunning detail how:

- JFK would be assassinated from a tall office building with a high-powered rifle.

- A fall guy would be picked up within hours of the slaying "just to throw the public off."

Miami Circuit Court Judge Seymour Gelber — who provided The ENQUIRER with the tape transcript — was administrative assistant to the Dade County (Fla.) State Attorney when the tape was made in November 1963.

At the time Gelber was using an undercover informant named Willie A. Somersett to infiltrate a group of right-wing extremists.

Gelber recalled:

"The crucial tape on the JFK assassination was made in a small downtown Miami hotel where the informant Somersett was living on Nov. 9, 1963 — just 13 days before Dallas.

"A Miami Police Depart-



JFK MOTORCADE rolls through Dallas on fateful day as man (arrow) looking exactly like right-wing activist Joseph A. Milteer (left) watches the President's car. Just 13 days before, Milteer disclosed — with chilling accuracy — the plot to murder JFK.

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ment detective set up a tape recorder with a long playing spool in a broom closet off the kitchen."

Milteer arrived and began discussing future plans with Somerset.

Here — in bone-chilling detail — are astonishing excerpts of their tape-recorded conversation:

SOMERSETT: "I think Kennedy is coming here (Miami) November 18th to make some kind of speech. I don't know what it is, but I imagine it will be on TV."

MILTEER: "You can bet your bottom dollar he is going to have a lot to say about the Cubans, there are so many of them here."

SOMERSETT: "Well, he'll have a thousand bodyguards, don't worry about that."

MILTEER: "The more bodyguards he has, the easier it is to get him."

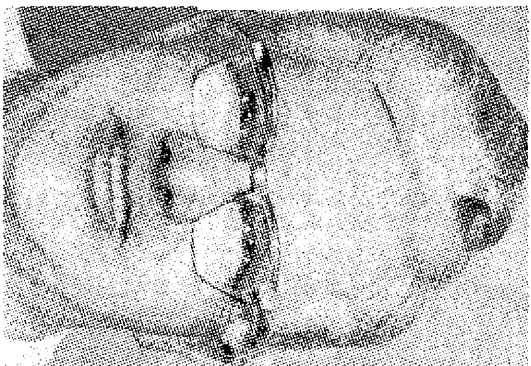
SOMERSETT: "Well, how in the hell do you figure would be the best way to get him?"

MILTEER: "From an office building with a high-powered rifle."

SOMERSETT: "They are really going to try to kill him?"

MILTEER: "Oh, yeah. It is in the working. — — — (name deleted for legal reasons)"

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sons) is just as likely to get him as anybody. He hasn't said so, but he tried to get Martin Luther King. He followed him for miles and miles and couldn't get close enough to him."

SOMERSETT: "Hitting this Kennedy is going to be a hard proposition. I believe you may have figured out a way to get him, the office building and all that."

"I don't know how them Secret Service agents cover all them office buildings everywhere he is going. Do you know whether they do that or not?"

MILTEER: "Well, if they have any suspicions they do that, of course. But without suspicion, chances are that they wouldn't. You take there in Washington. This is the wrong time of the year. But in pleasant weather, he comes out on the veranda and somebody could be in a hotel room across the way and pick him off just like that."

"You don't have to take a gun up there. You can dis-

semble and take it up in pieces. All those guns come knocked down and you can take them apart."

SOMERSETT: "Boy, if that Kennedy gets shot, we have got to know where we are at. Because you know that will be a real shake, if they do that."

MILTEER: "They wouldn't leave any stone unturned there, no way. They will pick up somebody within hours afterwards, if anything like that would happen, just to throw the public off."

SOMERSETT: "Oh, somebody is going to have to go to jail, if he gets killed."

MILTEER: "Just like that Bruno Hauptmann in the Lindbergh case."

The tape was handed over to the FBI and an official report of the Bureau, dated Nov. 9, 1963, noted:

"Threat to kill President Kennedy by J.A. Milteer, Miami, Florida, Nov. 9, 1963."

After the FBI received the tape, a presidential motorcade scheduled in Miami for November 18 was called off. "But no steps were taken by any authority to arrest Milteer or put him under surveillance," said Gelber.

"On Dec. 4, 1963 — nearly two weeks after the assassination — I heard that the FBI had finally acted. After the fact."

"Somerset called Milteer and found that the FBI had swooped down on Milteer and questioned him as part of a mass roundup of extremists," Gelber said.

Milteer denied to the FBI that he ever threatened the President's life or that he par-

ticipated in his assassination. Remarked an astonished Judge Gelber:

"The FBI had Milteer on tape forecasting in detail the assassination — yet they accepted his denial without question and let him go."

Gelber kept a diary of his investigation which revealed that shortly after Kennedy's death, police informant Somerset met again with Milteer, and reported on that meeting to Miami Detective Everett Kay on November 25. According to the diary, Somerset told Kay:

"He (Milteer) was very hap-



JUDGE Seymour Gelber was with Dade County (Fla.) State Attorney's office in November 1963 when he heard tape that revealed plans of JFK's slaying.

py over it (the assassination) and shook hands with me. He said, 'Well, I told you so. It happened like I told you, didn't it? It happened from a window with a high-powered rifle.'

"I said, 'That's right. I don't know whether you were guessing or not, but you hit it on the head pretty good.'"

"He said, 'Well, that is the way it was supposed to be done, and that is the way it was done.'"

Amazingly, Milteer may have been just a few feet from Kennedy as the President's motorcade swept through Dajlas on Nov. 22, 1963, the day of the assassination.

A photograph taken of the motorcade shows a man who looks exactly like Milteer standing in the crowd, revealed investigative reporter Dan Christensen, who's written about the assassination for "Miami" magazine.

Last summer, Christensen made another startling discovery as he searched through an old, abandoned home of Milteer in Quitman, Ga. Christensen found a bankbook belonging to the extremist which showed that in the 3½ months before the assassination three large deposits were made — totaling \$12,000 — and withdrawn shortly after the killing.

Christensen also learned that Milteer died under mysterious circumstances.

Milteer, according to his death certificate, suffered fatal burns when a Coleman

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stove in his bathroom exploded on Feb. 9, 1974. He died

two weeks later, but no autopsy was performed and the local mortician, who saw the body, said the burns were not severe enough to have caused death. There is one final chilling

twist. Judge Gelber told The ENQUIRER: "The Dade County State Attorney's files on the JFK assassination disappeared some time between 1971 and 1976. I last saw them — they consist-

ed of thousands of pages of transcripts and documents — in 1971. "I was the person who gave permission for their movement or for people to examine them. No one asked to see

them until 1976. I called the North Miami warehouse where they were stored and asked for them. An extensive search was launched — but nothing was found. They're gone and no one knows where."