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Mr. A. P. Kimbrough
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Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

The Library is gratified by the offer of materials from your research collection on the John F. Kennedy assassination. We have been collecting standard materials over the years and hope, with the acquisition of your gift and others, that the Dallas Public Library will become a major repository for research on the event.

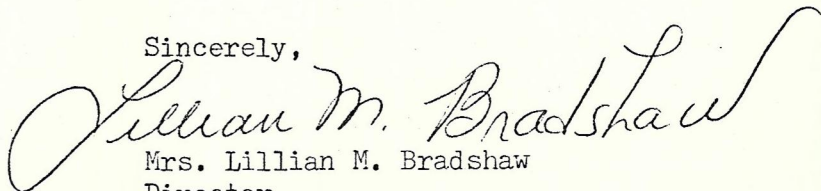
In order to bring this about, we plan to ask the press to make known to the local community the Library's intention to develop the collection extensively. It is hoped, subsequently, that individuals here and elsewhere will contribute materials, other than standard sources, toward the goal of a comprehensive collection.

Although copies of standard books and periodicals are available for borrowing purposes throughout the system, we will maintain the special collection as a reference unit, limited to library use for serious research. It will be contained in locked cabinets until adequate physical space is available.

Security and efficient access are our principal considerations at this time, and we are developing guidelines which should provide both when the materials are here. We hope to be able to provide special and more adequate housing for the collection in the future. That, however, may only be possible in a new Central Library building, a prospect which is under discussion here.

If, as a student of the John F. Kennedy assassination, you would be willing to make known among others engaged in this research the Library's plans for becoming a major collector on the subject, you would be assisting us in an invaluable way toward achieving our objective. In any case, we are heartened by your trust.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Lillian M. Bradshaw
Director

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P.S. If you will contact Erv Eatenson when you are ready to send the materials, he will make the necessary arrangements for a messenger to come for them.