## ASSASSINATION ARCHIVES AND RESEARCH CENTER

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## PROGRESS (OR LACK THEREOF) REPORT

We wish to send you the enclosed address and telephone list of "interested persons." We note already a few errors, and we apologize. November 22nd seemed an appropriate date for sending it, as well as a brief communique.

The AARC is learning to toddle, and someday we hope it will learn to walk. We have received six additional and sizeable collections of assassinations materials, which are being (if you will pardon the expression) integrated into our general files; on each donated item we have placed a note as to its source. have promises of several more extensive collections. Eventually, we should have the best assortment of materials in the world.

We have acquired Bob Ranftel as a full-time Executive Director, and he is doing a splendid job. We hope to get him a secretary/gofer very soon. Also, Jim Lesar is in the same suite of offices. And we have a librarian helper or two. So, you can see that we are in business.

Mary Ferrell is hard at work in Dallas putting her 30,000 cards onto a computer. This, plus Daniel Brandt's excellent data base, will make a wonderful research tool.

We are open for business 9-5, five days a week (and on weekends if special arrangements are made).

If you have an inactive collection of assassinations materials, we urge you to send them to us . . . and take a tax deduction.

We also urge you to join AARC and/or pay your 1986 dues. A subscription blank is contained on the enclosed pamphlet.

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