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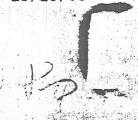
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HAROLD WEISBERG "WHITEWASH NO. 2" INFORMATION CONCERNING

12/15/66



On 12/15/66 HAROLD WEISBERG, author of the book "Whitewash No. 2", appeared on KGO-TV, San Francisco, on a talk show moderated by JIM DUNBAR from 7:05 a.m. until 7:55 a.m. A number of callers called in asking questions about his conclusions in the book and statements made during the talk show. The callers were about evenly divided as to their belief in his conclusions and against his hypothesis. He made no critical comments concerning the FBI, but in response to one caller's question concerning the Warren Commission Report WEISBERG pointed out that the Commission was "spoon fed" information from the FBI and Secret Service and, therefore, their:conclusions necessarily had to be based on the voluminous reports and thousands of interviews conducted by the FBI. WEISBERG indicated he did not wish to imply that the Commission were not honorable men because he felt that they were. WEISBERG's main premise seemed to be a person who was identified by the FBI as BILLY LOVELADY who was on the steps of the Texas Book Repository was in some way linked to President KENNEDY's assassination and he felt that OSWALD was in some way a "patsy." He stated he used the word "patsy" because OSWALD used this terminology when first apprehended by the Dallas Police Department.

WEISBERG was obviously on the program to push the sale of his new book "Whitewash No. 2" and announced one thec 21 1966 program that he would appear at an open meeting at the Hall of Flowers in San Francisco on Friday night, 12/16/66.

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