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ORIGIN Dallas 12/9/63 TJX OFFICE Houston, Texas

FILE NO. CO-2-34,030

TYPE OF CASE Protective Research	STATUS Continued	TITLE OR CAPTION Assassination of President Kennedy Lee Harvey Oswald
INVESTIGATION MADE AT Houston, Texas	PERIOD COVERED 12/17-18/63	
INVESTIGATION MADE BY SAIC Lane Bertram		

SYNOPSIS

Horace Elroy Twiford interviewed by FBI Agents on 12/15.
He denied knowing Oswald.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

Reference is made to memorandum report by the writer dated 12/14/63 advising that Horace Elroy Twiford was expected to return to Houston on December 15.

On December 16 in a long distance telephone call Inspector Thomas J. Kelley made inquiry about subject matter.

SAIC Robert E. Rightmeyer, FBI, advised that Twiford was interviewed on December 15 and copy of their report would be made available to the Houston Office when it had been prepared. On December 18 SAIC Rightmeyer furnished a copy of the statement of interview with Horace Elroy Twiford. Twiford stated that in late September or early October his wife advised him she had received a telephone call from an individual who wished to speak to him but he was gone at the time. Twiford stated that the man claimed to be Lee Oswald and was in Houston for only a short period of time. He advised that he did not remember the name until after the assassination when his wife called his attention to the telephone call she had received and advised him that the caller was probably identical with the Oswald charged with the assassination of President Kennedy.

Twiford released to the FBI Agents a brown envelope which had been sent to him by the Socialist Labor Party, return address on which is the New York Labor News Company, 61 Cliff Street, New York 38, New York. It was post marked Dallas, Texas, November 10, 1962 and bears the hand printed and hand written address as follows: "L. H. Oswald, Box 2915, Dallas, Texas." Twiford advised that a notation on the envelope indicated that he had mailed Oswald a copy of the "Labor Day Issue" issued by the Socialist Labor Party on September 11, 1963.

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Twiford stated that he had never met or talked to Lee Harvey Oswald as far as he could recall.

DISPOSITION

This inquiry as to Horace Elroy Twiford is considered closed unless otherwise directed.

ATTACHMENTS

Chief - Copy of FBI Memorandum

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... she had received a
... from an individual who wished to speak to him:
... was at sea. TWIFORD advised that the man claimed to
be LEE OSWALD and was in Houston for only a short period of
time. TWIFORD stated that he did not remember this name or
the incident until he had returned from his last voyage
arriving in Houston on December 14, 1963. He said that, when
he arrived at his home, his wife had reminded him of this
telephone call and had pointed out that this was possibly the
same individual who is said to be responsible for assassinating
the late President KENNEDY. TWIFORD turned over to the
interviewing agent a small brown envelope which had been sent
to him by the Socialist Labor Party. This envelope is a return
address envelope for the New York Labor News Company, 61 Cliff
Street, New York 25, New York. It is post marked Dallas,
Texas, November 10, 1963, and bears the hand printed and hand
written return address reading L. H. OSWALD, Box 2915, Dallas,
Texas. TWIFORD advised that there is a notation on this
envelope that he had mailed this individual a copy of the
Labor Day Issue of the Newspaper issued by the Socialist
Labor Party on September 11, 1963.

TWIFORD stated that he has never met or talked to
LEE HARVEY OSWALD as far as he can possibly recall.

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