

been a member for a complete course would not have received enough training with firearms to enable him to develop any proficiency in the use of a gun, in my opinion. Instructions were never given, to my knowledge and recollection, to use a telescopic sight, on a rifle. The guns used were generally fire-arms owned by the members themselves and for the most part this would mean .22 calibre rifles. I have no personal recollection of LEE HARVEY OSWALD ever being a member of any cadet class that I instructed and have no records or photographs which would establish that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had ever been connected in any way with the CAP.

"I have for years been a student of hypnotism. From my study and knowledge of the effects of hypnotic induction and the subsequent hypnotic states, I do not believe it would be possible to induce a post-hypnotic suggestion, ordinarily, which would last long enough without a series of repeated suggestions, to enable an individual to commit a crime, especially one involving a series of discretionary judgements.

"I am acquainted with an individual named JACK S. MARTIN, SR. of 1311 N. Prieur Street, New Orleans, Louisiana. Mr. MARTIN has told me of how he has secured numerous honorary titles and degrees and has shown me certificates of them, which in my opinion are probably worthless. I myself have never sold or distributed any of these documents, and have no knowledge of BILL DE MAR or any information that he has any type of fraudulent medical or college degree.

"I realize that in the city of New Orleans my name has been associated with that of LEE HARVEY OSWALD by certain persons. However, to the best of my recollection and belief I have never known LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY.

"I have personally typed this statement of two and a half pages and it is true and correct to the best of knowledge belief and recollection at this time."

/s/ "DAVID W. FERRIE"

"Witness: REGIS L. KENNEDY, SA, FBI, New Orleans, La., 12/10/63."

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This is how the FBI got to the root of the Ferrie matter: by letting him conduct the investigation of himself. It is not unusual to take statements from those being "investigated" but it also is not usual to permit them to determine the things that interest the FBI. Even then Ferrie gilded the lily by saying of the trivia he mentioned only that "it is true to the best of knowledge, belief and recollection at this time". At another time:

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The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN L. QUIGLEY at New Orleans, Louisiana, November 29, 1963:

On August 10, 1963, Lieutenant FRANCIS L. MARTELLO, Platoon Commander, First District, New Orleans Police Department, advised that on August 10, 1963, he interviewed LEE HARVEY OSWALD at the First District Station, New Orleans Police Department, following his arrest on August 9, 1963, for creating a disturbance while distributing Fair Play For Cuba Committee literature on Canal Street, New Orleans.

Lieutenant MARTELLO stated during the questioning of OSWALD, he examined contents of his wallet. Among items found in the wallet was a piece of paper which, upon examination, disclosed handwriting and handprinting in Russian as well as in English. At the conclusion of the interview, this piece of paper became mixed up in his notes and it was never returned to OSWALD since he did not discover it until after OSWALD's release.

Lieutenant MARTELLO stated the original of this piece of paper had been turned over to the Secret Service, New Orleans, Louisiana, however, he had made an exact reproduction of the contents of this piece of paper and which he furnished to Agent.

A review of this document reflected among other notations thereon, the name of ROBERT, 7313 Davenport Street and 757 French Street, Muret.

A review of New Orleans FBI files discloses that the address 7313 Davenport Street was the former address of ROBERT LEE OSWALD, brother of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, as furnished to FBI New Orleans by FBI, Dallas, on August 14, 1962.

The address 757 French Street, according to FBI, New Orleans files, is that of Mrs. CHARLES MURET, who is the aunt of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

It should be noted on this document appearing in English was "United Press 72668M", behind it the names "GOLDBERG and MOSEY", and "Ass. Press 776430", followed by the name "JOHNSON".

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This is part of the very large and largely still suppressed File 75. The pages numbered 364-73 only are printed as Exhibit 1942 (23H736-40). I eliminated the names, as the Commission did not, because there is no evidence these people were Communists, the hurtful import of the use made, or that they knew Oswald or had any connection of even the most remote kind with him. Information on this arrest appears throughout the files and printed record, usually in prejudicial and dishonest form. There was no FPCC chapter in New Orleans, despite the official false pre-

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Lieutenant MARTELLO advised that at no time during his two interrogations of OSWALD did OSWALD tell him that he was being paid \$25 for the distribution of Fair Play for Cuba Committee literature, or that he was being paid anything for the distribution of this literature.

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Inquiry through BILL CRYDER, Associated Press, and IRVIN J. VIDACOVICH, JR., United Press International, New Orleans, on November 30, 1963, failed to develop any information as to the identity of these individuals or the significance of the numbers.

The significance of the numbers of the writing on this document is unknown.

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tense. The Report says (R728): "In late May and early June, Oswald apparently began to formulate plans for creating a New Orleans branch ... passing out Fair Play for Cuba leaflets ... maintained that he was a member of the New Orleans branch ..." On the next page: "On August 16, Oswald ... again passed out Fair Play for Cuba literature ..." It does little good to say, as the Report does, that "Oswald was in fact the only member of the 'New Orleans branch', which was never chartered" (R729), for this maintains the fiction that it existed and Oswald was acting for the national group. Buried in back of the Report, it is in any event lost and was ignored in the press, which adopted the line of-  
ficially intended and lustily and falsely proclaimed the existence of a New Orleans Chapter. When the FBI straightforwardly reports and the Commission accepts that it made anything that could be called an "inquiry" that "failed to develop any information as to the identity" of these world-famous correspondents, the dishonest intent is clear. Inquiry of the proper news-agency officials would have disclosed the identities of their Moscow correspondents, as would reading anything except the comic strips and the sports sections of the newspapers, if FBI agents read anything else. Likewise, only a refusal to investigate, to try and find

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On the following morning about 10 a.m., August 10, 1963, Lieutenant MARTELLO noted a placard and some handbills which pertained to the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. He determined that it was the property of an arrested subject by the name of OSWALD. He asked the doorman to bring OSWALD in for an interview.

Lieutenant MARTELLO stated that as a result of this interview with OSWALD, he had made some detailed notes, which he still has in his possession, although he had not at any time dictated a report as a result of this interview. Lieutenant MARTELLO furnished the following memorandum concerning his interview of OSWALD on August 10, 1963, which he prepared as a result of a refreshment of his recollection from his original notes. Lieutenant MARTELLO remarked that his interview of OSWALD was merely for his general information and not in the nature of an official interrogation since he had been previously interviewed by the Intelligence Unit of the New Orleans Police Department.

Re Interview of LEE HARVEY OSWALD at First District Station, New Orleans Police Department on August 10, 1963:

"About 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 10, 1963, I observed a placard and handbills which had been placed into evidence against an accused person. This placard contained information concerning the Fair Play for Cuba Committee. I determined that a subject by the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD was arrested on Friday, August 9, 1963 when he was passing out handbills on Canal Street and was carrying this placard about his person.

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their meaning, can explain the statement, "The significance of the remainder of the writing on this document is unknown." I found it by going through Oswald's address book. It is a further part of his establishment of a "cover". The part of this file that could be used against Oswald is printed as Exhibit 1942 (23H736-40). However, a different page 364, one not showing the extensive distribution revealed on this file copy, is printed. That version shows none of the apparent 16 parts of the investigation to which this was funneled.

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Here is page 364 of File 75 as the Commission printed it, showing none of the distribution. This part of the file is replete with error and misinformation deemed usable against Oswald.

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