

E.A.L.

Sept 25, 1969

David W. Ferris

Joined EAL ~~4/16/51~~ 4/16/51

Promoted to Capt 7/1/52

Social Security 282-18-8219

Marj Gilson 17302 La Verne Ave Cleveland

Mother Mrs. Jas H. Ferris (M)

DOB: 28 March 1918

1945-1950 - JEDA OIL + DRILLING, 714 SWETLAND ST

Aug 1951, had flown in Canada + Mexico Cleveland Ohio

No military - No Reserve -

Elem { St Columbian  
St Salomas - Cleveland 1924-30

High Sch Ignatius - Cleveland 1931-35

Univ: John Carroll Univ - Cuyahoga  
William Wallace Oberlin Ohio 1937-41 AB in English

Speaks + reads Spanish

G. Wray Hill was attorney re discharge -

Ferris says in 1959, had been given talks on  
Communism (3 a week) at request of  
"Station Managers" in S.W. - mostly about  
Communism -

Assisted with Cuban refugees from Red Cuba

July 1961 - I was advised I was going to have  
my pass pulled by I didn't let off

Aug 1961 - boundary change -

"The man really after me was a Richard Dowling"

Suspended from flying Aug 1961 -

Cuban Democratic Revolutionary Front  
New Orleans Delegation  
207 Balter Bldg, New Orleans, La

18 July 1961

Capt. Eddie Bickenbacher,  
Chairman of the Board  
Eastern Air Lines, Inc.  
New York, N.Y.

Dear Captain Bickenbacher,  
As you know the above organization is  
the Communist Cuban Front

The reorganization of our program  
was the result of the prodding of Captain Fering,  
and his association in New Orleans. Through him  
we have been able to get the best advice in  
affairs political, economic and military.  
Madison Captain Fering has been assisting in  
obtaining needed equipment.

We are requesting that Captain Fering  
be given either a 60 or 90 day leave with pay  
so that the work at hand can be completed. At  
this time he holds in his hands so many threads  
which pertain to the security of the Caribbean  
area that no reasonable substitution could be  
made.

Sergio Areacha Smith

Reply Bickenbacher to Smith 8/1/61  
Negative

Classified 4-D on 5/21/41

St Charles Seminary, Castroville, Ohio

Ferre was Private E-2 in US Army  
Reserve, serial # 15296049 from  
4/13/50 to 9/17/53 + received  
Honorable discharge.

"I feel I was getting too close to something  
and my fingers were pulled."

Compares his talks to those by Rickenbacker

"I was never treated for mental problems."

"I am a PHD from Italy - three two-week  
visits."

Catholic all his life -

"I understand two people were discharged from  
Eastern who were communists."

Ferre has stated that he is sending Layton Martens to the Univ of SW Louisiana at Lafayette, La. Ferre is allegedly running around with Mrs Martens who is separated from her husband & who may be working as a waitress."

at one time Ferre ran around with a negro named Marcel who worked as a mechanic on his private airplane."

Aug 1959, FBI tips customs that Ferrie may  
be involved in gun running - Weir tag -

July 5, 1951 - proposal to remove Ferrie  
from EAL payroll, based on retail credit  
reports - He was not in fact removed

April 8, 1953 F.A. Stone to Ricken Backer -  
gives background on Ferrie - alludes to  
"women trouble" in Cleveland before he was  
hired by EAL.

March 23, 1953 - Ricken Backer to Ferrie  
letter of congratulation re his  
promotional work in S. W. "Keep up  
the good work." Note at bottom "This  
man's efforts bear watching & his  
qualifications justify his being  
used & helped whenever possible in  
line of duty - and even beyond" E.V.R.

Phoenix University - Francesco Amoroso  
D'ARAGONA - academic title mill

St. Colman Grade School (4 yrs)

St. Patrick " (3 yrs)

St. Ignatius High (4 yrs)

John <sup>Baldwin Wallace</sup> Carroll <sup>Senior</sup> (3 yrs)

St. Mary's Seminary (Cleveland) 1938-40

Baldwin Wallace College 1940-1941 (B.A.)

St. <sup>Charles</sup> Mary's Seminary Aug 15, 1941 - ~~Nov 27, 1944~~

"It is pointed out that information had been received that Ferris had promised to grant a motorcycle for changing his testimony & withdrawing his complaints."

Airline Transport Pilot Cert. 335866, 7/19/57

Indes, 1949, subject has a reported period of residence at 314 Jack St, Tampa, Fla. He was reported married with two dependents. Sunnyside Flying School.

15 days duty at Fort Campbell

Ferris in contact with

Paul Fournet Lafayette La

Julian Masters (do)

Julian Bugnede 421 SW. 5<sup>th</sup> Miami, Fla