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Dear Hal,

Thought you'd be interested in this F.B.I. attempt to "neutralize" Donald Freed at the Ramble of the parallels. The emolourer also from "F.B.I. Secrets" (South End Press, 1995), Wesley Sweeting's chilling Memoir of his F.B.I. career. Stay well.

Sincerely,

Ed Williams

white Black Panther Party sympathizers called Friends of the Panthers had been a COINTELPRO target in order to destroy the confidence between the Panthers and the Friends of the Panthers. According to a letter from the Los Angeles FBI office to Hoover, which was given to the Church Committee: "Any exposure [of Freed] will not only deny the Panthers money, but additionally, would cause other white supporters of the BPP to withdraw their support. It is felt that the Los Angeles chapter of the BPP could not operate without the financial support of white sympathizers."

The FBI did not tell Congress that Freed had become a COINTELPRO target in part because of Judge Kaufman's telephone call to Hoover. Kaufman's call was the straw that broke the camel's back.

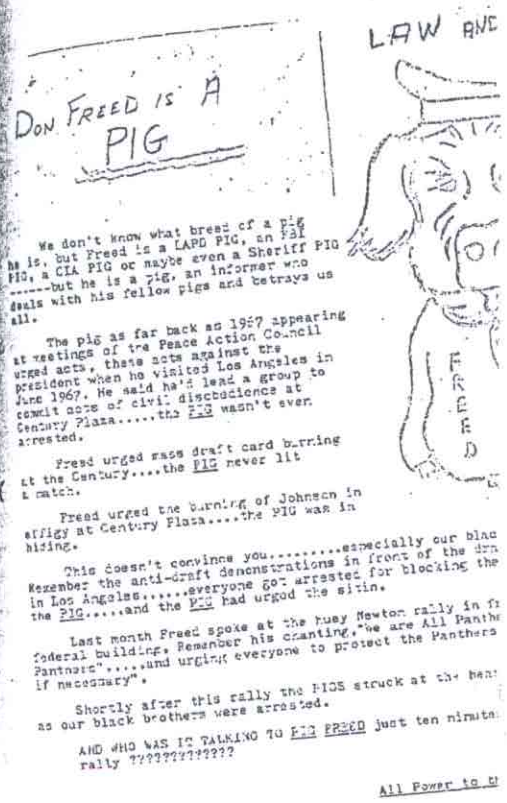
Donald Freed had been an anthropology instructor at San Fernando Valley State College in Los Angeles. The case agent, Phil Denny, saw to it that Freed lost his contract in 1969. When Freed tried to get a job at California State College in Fullerton, California, in the fall of 1969, Denny sent word to the proper person in Fullerton and Donald Freed was not hired. (The last I knew, Freed was a professor at the University of California at Los Angeles.)

Two months after Kaufman's call to Hoover, Hoover authorized the San Francisco FBI office on July 1, 1969, to pass out 200 copies of a leaflet, created and printed by the Crime Records Division, in the vicinity of a Black Panther Party-sponsored national conference in Oakland, California, alleging that "Donald Freed is a PIG."

The FBI's leaflet read in part as follows: "We don't know what breed of a pig he is, but Freed is a LAPD PIG, an FBI PIG, a CIA PIG or maybe even a Sheriff PIG—but he is a pig, an informer who deals with his fellow pigs and betrays us all."

A copy of the leaflet was obtained from the FBI file on Donald Freed through the Freedom of Information Act. (See page 117.) I observed this leaflet in Donald Freed's Los Angeles FBI file during the 1977 file review as a result of Freed's FOIA request. The FBI documents pertaining to Judge Kaufman's telephone call to Hoover were also obtained through the Freedom of Information Act. These documents were given to me by Donald Freed in 1978.

The COINTELPRO against Donald Freed did not work—no harm came to him. After my retirement, I attended one of Freed's



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The pig as far back as 1967 appearing at meetings of the Peace Action Council urged acts, these acts against the president when he visited Los Angeles in June 1967. He said he'd lead a group to commit acts of civil disobedience at Century Plaza....the PIG wasn't even arrested.

Freed urged mass draft card burning at the Century....the PIG never lit a match.

Freed urged the burning of Johnson in effigy at Century Plaza....the PIG was in hiding.

This doesn't convince you.....especially our black brothers.... Remember the anti-draft demonstrations in front of the draft headquarters in Los Angeles....everyone got arrested for blocking the entrance except the PIG....and the PIG had urged the sit-in.

Last month Freed spoke at the Huey Newton rally in front of the federal building. Remember his chanting, "We are All Panthers. We are All Panthers"....and urging everyone to protect the Panthers...with our lives if necessary".

Shortly after this rally the PIGS struck at the heart of the Panthers as our black brothers were arrested.

AND WHO WAS IC TALKING TO PIG FREED just ten minutes after this rally ??????????????

All Power to the People

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courses on government conspiracy at the University of Southern California. I learned why the FBI's snitch jacket did not fit. Anyone who knows Donald Freed knows he could never be a "pig" for the FBI.

Targeting Actress Jean Seberg

Jean Seberg is best known for her role in Otto Preminger's 1957 film "Saint Joan."

The FBI had monitored Seberg's checking account and found she had given over \$10,000 to the Black Panther Party. Special Agent Richard Wallace Held was upset at Jean's generosity to the Panthers.

The FBI could not understand the motivation for Seberg's cash donations. I figured she was an easy touch for any hard-luck story. She constantly opened her purse to the Panthers. Other agents crassly assumed she was sexually involved with members of the Black Panther Party. Seberg was active with Friends of the Panthers.

The Los Angeles Racial Squad fired off a Confidential communiqué to Hoover about Jean Seberg stating that, "This is to furnish information that subject, a beautiful, internationally known white American actress with black extremist relationships and sympathies, is reportedly a sex pervert."

Jean Seberg was married to the world-renowned French diplomat and writer Romain Gary. They lived in an apartment on Rue du Bac in Paris. She had just returned to Paris from making a film in Durango, Mexico, in 1970.

Seberg explained to Jane Friedman, a reporter from the *International Herald Tribune*, that "she [had fallen] in love with Carlos Navarra, a Mexican 'revolutionary,' while shooting 'a bad movie named *Macho Callahan* in Durango.' Miss Seberg said Mr. Navarra was the father of the child she was expecting. 'I don't want to abort,' she said. 'Romain said he would assume fatherhood.'"

The FBI had wiretaps on the Panther headquarters in Los Angeles as well as wiretaps on the private residences of several top leaders of the Panthers in Los Angeles. Transcripts of wiretapped conversations were made available under the Freedom of Information Act. One conversation involving Seberg formed the basis of a smear campaign designed to destroy Seberg's reputation, with the

of weakening ties between the Black Panthers and group Friends of the Panthers.

The call from Elaine Brown, a top leader of the I Party, placed to Seberg in Paris on April 21, 1970, is one interpretation. Without understanding the content and the relationship between speakers, the meaning is Berg was four months pregnant at the time.

"I'm sitting next to a friend of yours," Brown said. Seberg asked, "Who's that? Johnny Appleseed?" Just then Masai Hewitt, a Los Angeles Panther on the line. Seberg told him that she was going to hang. "After not knowing and not knowing what to go going to go ahead, too."

"When?" asked Hewitt. "In the fall. I'm like in the fourth month so I wait ahead. I guess it's that year, you see."

"I guess it's all right," Hewitt replied. "I guess, yes. I think it's all right...I'm happy a Seberg agreed. "I ran into a thing that scared me leg son. I was afraid I was going to lose custody, you k husband got wind about it and he was really very nice about it. So it's really good, you know. So ev sooner or later I guess is going to have a big tummy "I'm going to try not to have anything to replied.

"Listen." Seberg said, laughing. "I'm afraid liar."

"I really didn't know." "No, but I'm really happy. That's kind of could have. That's terrific. She told you wh she?"

"Yes, but I can't remember." "Johnny Appleseed."

"No, she didn't tell me that." "Yes, planting your little seeds around."

FBI agent Richard Wallace Held, who nine and in charge of COINTELPRO agai