

9/26/68

To: Jim Alcock
From: Harold Weisberg
Your Somerset interview of 8/21/68

Bud has told me he sent Somerset to you and has given me the transcript. I've just read it hastily and am writing to see if perhaps I can save you time and to tell you what I've done.

Before going down there last time I had drafted a book I call COUP D'ETAT. I have this entire story in it. I now have interest in it from a large, national publication. If this ~~max~~ materializes it will provide the financing for publication of the book.

The correct name is Joseph Adams "ilteer. His address is Quitman, Ga. The National States Rights Party is but one of the names used.

The New Orleans meeting was under the name of the Congress of Freedom. It was in April 1963. I do not have the exact date, but Pershing should have no trouble providing that.

The name "Curtis" is wrong. It is Curtis Dall, FDR's grandson, about whom I have some data. The Indianapolis meeting, of which I also have data, was of the so-called Constitution Party. Dall is very far right.

The guy who ran the New Orleans meeting was named Thomas. He is from Omaha. If you want this checked further, I have someone out there I can get to do it. He is currently looking for Harber for me, if that interests you (plural).

The Jacksonville meeting may have been 11/23 rather than 24. It was at the railroad station. I have stuff on that, too. It is as reported to you in content, but more specific. If he sent you the letter, a copy could interest me very much.

This is but one of a number of plots these same people had cooking to kill JFK. I've got four, with a fair number of names, all in the book. I've also dug out a considerable amount of the hidden, suppressed, misfiled material said not to exist. Some of it ties nicely with one of Jim's pet interests.

There are quite a few names he failed to give you. I have them and a rundown on most if not all. They are pretty bad guys, even for the kind we've been dealing with. Incidentally, these are the kind of people who are of considerable interest to private groups whose information I can tap. If you want any checked out and you'd like me to do it, send me their names.

I also have the stuff on federal knowledge and handling. Here he misinformed you. More, I am in what for lack of a better designation we can perhaps call "correspondence" with the proper federal authority. I await his reply to my last letter. There is absolutely no doubt that both the FBI and Secret Service knew, in advance as they did with each of the three other threats from the same gang. One they also knew of from two different police departments, one came in from a foreign country.

The essence of the tape is quoted in the last chapter of OSWALD IN NEW ORLEANS, beginning on page 323.

If you want anything else, let me know.