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Hi Everyone!

Boy, am I both surprised AND glad EG4 made it this month! I have had a REAL bettle with this Mac, and it got down to a case of Muscle Over Mac -- whenever I've transported my little computer by car, I've always bundled it up and drove as if I had a newborn in the car. Well, the fac's powerboard is just plain ole' shot and the screen blacks out frequently. Early on, all it would take is a tap or two and it would go back to normal. However, now it takes rePEATed sevERE Both-Sides-At-Once Punching to get the acreen back to normal. I don't know if there are any Statutes about Mac Abuse but I surely am guilty! AND ASHAMED!!!

Now, I know I owe many of you letters and information and orders and flyers, but it has been all I can do to squeeze HG4 out of this computer. I want you all to know I WILL get caught up... even though we may be

wearing winter clothes by that time!!

MORE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

I've had a teensy little problem and I want to remind all of you: individuals, businesses, etc that NO ONE speaks for me in any dealings. concerning JFK HONOR GUARD about

content pricing edvertising purchasing content bargains promotions et cetera

Mind you. I'm NOT referring to the efforts of so many of you who talk with others about various aspects of 'JFK HG newslettering' & inform me about your various ideas, conversations,& results.I appreciate your spirit and efforts!

But scmething came up recently.& I am Officially stating the above.

NOTE: HG3 was July. HG4 is September. NO August HGI

WELCOME TO THE NEW SUBSCRIBERS!!! We're glad to have you join us & we look forward to your ideas & input!

I wanted to mention to you that I have received much information this past month. Some who don't see their news & ideas in HG4 may wonder what the PROBlem is! All I can say is that you're FIRST on the list for HG5!

F'rinstance, I intended to review Third Decade at length. And I received Prologue (the n-letter from Comm. for an Open Archives) & wanted to thoroughly share some of it with you. And several of you have sent info ----be patient? Also SEMD MORE IMPO!!!

I forget to note last month that Jessica Bischoff helped me get the BG2 Dead List together. Thanks, Jessi

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THE NEW ORLEANS CONNECTION by Peter Kross NJ

Many of the prominent characters in the plot to kill President John F. Kennedy lived in or had connections to New Orleans. It is here that many researchers believe the early planning for the assassination took place. Among these characters are:

DAVID FERRIE: Ferrie was linked to mob boss Carlos Marcello whose headquarters was in New Orleans. Ferrie, a former airline pilot and avid homo-sexual, brought Marcello back into the U.S. after Marcello was deported to Guatemala on orders of RFK Ferrie commanded a Civil Air Patrol post in that city, which was attended by Lee Harvey Oswald.On the weekend of November 22,1963.Ferrie and a few friends left New Orleans and drove to Houston and Galveston, Texas, to go "ice skating." Thus, Ferrie was in Texas shortly after JFK was shot; Ferrie had ties with Marcello who wanted Kennedy dead.

LEE HARVEY OSWALD:

Oswald's uncle, Charles Murret, worked in Carlos Marcello's crime underworld in New Orleans. Oswald stayed with his uncle in New Orleans and it is probable that Marcello knew of Oswald through his uncle. Oswald lived in New Orleans, handed out Fair Play for Cuba Committee leaflets, worked out of 544 Camp Street, the office of anti-Castro private investigators Guy Bannister and David Ferrie.

JIM GARRISON:

New Orleans D.A. who started his own investigation into the JFK assassination. Garrison indicted Clay Shaw, owner of the International Trade Mart, for complicity in th assassination plot. Also involved, according to Garrison, was David Ferrie. But despite mounting evidence, Garrison failed to look into the activities of the mob, most notably those of Carlos Marcello who ran the mob in New Orleans.In fact, Garrison called Marcello "a respectable businessman."It has been alleged that Garrison was on the take and in 1971, he was indicted by Federal authorities of accepting \$50,000 a year in payoffs to protect illegal gambling.Garrison was found 'not NOTE:Peter Kross is the Editor of guilty.'



Back Channels magazine.

THE NERVE(S) OF LHO!

From MARINA AND LEE by Priscilla J. McMillan, 1977 Reference to LHO (the night Walker was page 283 shot at), according to Marina 'At 11:30 Lee walked in, white, covered with sweat, his eyes glittering."

From ACT OF TREASON by Mark North 1991 Reference to Pti. Baker's/Truly's testimony of the lunchroom interchange with Oswald; REP. BOGGS: Were you suspicious of this man?

BAKER: No.sir.i wasn't.

REP. BOGGS...Was he out of breath, did he appear to be

running or what?

BAKER: it didn't appear that to me. He appeared

normal, you know.

REP. BOGGS: Was he calm and collected?

BAKER: Yes, sir. He never did say a word or nothing. In fact, he didn't change his expression one bit. TRULY: The officer turned this way and said, This man work here?" And I said, "Yes"...[Oswald] didn't seem to be excited or overly afraid or anything. He might have been a bit startled....But I cannot recall any change in expression of any kind on his face.

MY QUESTIONS:

a) If these reports are accurate in describing LHO after alleged acts of violence and flight, why is there such a difference in his demeanor?

b) is walking home from shooting at Walker some time earlier more exhausting/exciting than running down TSBD steps & being stopped by a cop within minutes?

He sweats and glitters on Walker nite but is calm & collected on JFK day?

ABOUT J.D. TIPPET'S FAMILY

A question in The Parade, [7/26/92 Sunday newspaper], asked "What became of J.D. Tipper's family?" Paraphrasing Parade's answer:

After Tippet's death,\$650,000 was given by the American public to a fund for his widow. She bought a home in a rather good Dallas neighborhood and set aside funds in a trust for Tipper's children.

Tippet's widow, Marie (now 63) married another police officer in 1967. This husband (Harry Thomas) died of cancer in 1982. J.D. Tippet's children, Charles (42), Brenda (43), and Curtis (33) all live in Texas, but continue to desire privacy, and avoid the attention raised by the movie "JFK." [PARADE notes that Charles eventually gave up his earlier wildness, when he was often arrested for assault and possession of drugs, and now works in construction.]

A LAWYER FOR LEE

ACT OF TREASON by Mark North 1991

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9/18/62 Press: "The first proceeding to require a member of the Communist Party to register with the Attorney General ended today. Mr. Albertson's attorney, John J. Abt of NYcalled no witnesses to the stand. The final Gov't witness, Albert Jackson, who observed Party activities for the FBI for 4 years, testified that he had attended many Communist meetings with Mr. Albertson. Mr. Abt brought out that Mr. Jackson had received varying sums from the FBI. He asked the witness whether he expected to be paid in the future. 'After this is finished, I guess I am finished.' Mr Jackson replied. "And I'm finished." Mr. Abt said, ending his cross examination"

Lee Harvey Oswald undoubtedly follows this story, for Abt is the attorney he will try so desperately to reach by phone the weekend of 11/22- 11/24/63, to no avail. What is critical here is the fact that Abt defends alleged communists against the accusations of FBI informants. Oswald, already under pressure from the FBI to inform should he come into contact with any communist spies, readily identifies with this situation. As will be seen, by the time of Pres. Kennedy's assassination, he will have need of such an attorney. This because he, too, will become a paid informant, albeit unwillingly.

page 405: Oswald, in reality only a minor figure in the assassination of JFK, spends most of his remaining hours after the event trying to extract himself from what he perceives to be the clutches of the FBI. Despite the fact that the overwhelming body of evidence points toward his innocence, something Hoover himself admits in a 11/24 memo, he senses that he is being effectively railroaded by the Bureau. He is denied access to legal counsel, and subjected to gross violation of his civil rights. The Bannister connection is nearly revealed on 11/23 when Cuban exile foe Bringuier publicly states in New Orleans that he had believed Oswald was an FBI informant early on. Sensing objectivity and interest from the Secret Service, Oswald expresses, just hours before his death, a willingness to tell his story to them once he obtains anti-FBI counsel John Abt as his counsel.

in the weeks after Oswald's death, legal authorities nationwide begin to express the opinion that he was basically the victim of a lynching.

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11/23: 10:25 a.m. to 1p.m.: Oswald is again interrogated (he spends an hour in his cell during this time as well). "Fritz's report...refers to Abt:"He reminded me that he did not have to answer any questions at all until he talked to his attorney, and I told him again that he could have an attorney any time he wished. He said he didn't have any money to pay for a phone call to Mr. Abt. I told him to call "collect"...or that he could have another attorney if he wished. He said he didn't want another attorney..."

"1:40 p.m. Oswald places an unsuccessful call to NY for Abt, obtaining from the long-distance operator Abt's number, and the number of The Worker. He has no way of knowing that the lawyer is out of town. Obviously he has now realized that, as both an FBI informant and unwitting tool of Banister and Ferrie et al., he needs an attorney experienced in defending leftists framed by the Bureau. The fact that the FBI now has control over the situation probably terrifies him. At his interrogation sessions he continues to ask for the NY attorney.

Reached by reporters this afternoon, "Abt ... at his summer home in Kent, Conn., said he had not been asked to take the case but added, 'If I were asked, I would in all probability have to decline. It would have to be a very serious decision, he admitted....Abt said Oswald probably thought of his name because 'i have a reputation of defending the underdog, particularly

unpopular political minorities."

(this is from Hoover's 4 pm 'for the page 426

record memo' 11/24 after LHO's death)

...They really did not have a case against Oswald until we gave them our information...All the Dallas police had was three witnesses who tentatively identified him...Oswald had been saying he wanted John Abt as his lawyer and Abt, with only that kind of evidence, could have turned the case around, I'm afraid."

JFK/RELATED

INNOCENCE LOST

by Carleton Stowers

Pocket Books (Simon & Schuster) 1990 Stowers wrote of a 1987 murder in Midlothian. Texas. While this book is about a non-JFK related murder, there are at least 5 lawmen/investigators in it who also were mentioned in the WR. Those of you interested in "what ever happened to" some of the WR 'names' might want to take a look at Stowers' book.

The Police Chief of Midlothian in 1987 was Roy Vaughn, who worked for Dallas Police Dept. in 1963. Vaughn was in charge of the DPD's basement ramp that Ruby supposedly walked down just before shooting LHO. Vaughn recounts to Stowers his role in events that day, the lawsuits after, [etc!], and his life as it had become in the following years.

THE PLOT TO KILL THE PRESIDENT

by G.Robert Blakey & Richard Billings, 1981, has been republished as FATAL HOUR. a Berkeley book,costing \$6.50. Berkeley Publishing Group 200 Medison Ave. New York, NY 10016

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Roger Bruce Feinman

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Dear HGers: the above isn't a review of THIRD DECADE: it is mostly relaying basic information. I've read many of the above articles & learned a lot, AND admired the various writers' styles.THIRD DECADE is important & very worth subscribing to!! Write them!

REQUESTS/SEARCHES

PO BOX 24945 SAN JOSE, CA 95154-4945: from BILL ADAMS

Tennessee Congressman Bob Clement revealed in The National Examiner early this year that there was an attempt to kill JFK in Nashville, on 5/18/63.

I am looking for any of the following information:

- 1. News articles from 1992 regarding the Congressman's claim.
- 2. Articles from the 5/63 time period showing JFK's visit, motorcade route or mentioning any known threats occurring while JFK was in Tenn.
- 3. Any photos or any films of JFK's trip to Tenn. 5/63.

Also appreciate information on any other JFK plot, threats and attempted assassinations.

7813 Country Place Drive Tobyhanna, PA 18466 from Kenny Necerato I am looking for the book "Ethel" about Ethel Kennedy

Sorta Recent Newspaper News

SENATE VOTES RELEASE OF JFK FILES Due to the new and renewed interest in JFK's assassination, in July the Senate voted to require our government to publicly release its files on his murder. John Glenn (D-Ohio) sponsored the legislation.Two House Committees have approved similar bills. The documents would be available to the public through the National Archives.

SOVIETS WATCHED OSWALD

According to the newspaper Izvestia (in Aug.): The Soviet KGB thought Lee Harvey Oswald was a Western spy and he was kept under constant surveillance from 1959 to 1962 while he lived in Minsk. Izvestia also noted that LHO might have been drugged to make him talkative.

[I'd like to know The Rest of This Story!!]

THE PRESIDENT'S BOX BOOKSHOP PO BOX 1255 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20013 (703) 998-7390

The President's Box Bookshop specializes in the assassination books on American Presidents and related subjects. In their Catalog #14 (Spring, 1992) are listed 401 titles -- over half of those concern John Kennedy's death & related topics. Over 80 are of MLK's and RFK's assassination, general assassination books, and the the Secret Service. It is noted that this is a sample catalog and to remain on the mailing list, we must send \$3.00 or place an order.

The PBB suggests and encourages phone reserves...since the rarer and more desirable titles are purchased quickly! PBB also purchases single items or complete collections on the assassinations of American President's.

I see that some prices reflect the rarity of some titles or article reprints, but others

are generally in line with prices for 'previously owned' books.

Briefly, here are some of your Editor's Random Choicesl:

Four Dark Days in History -- L.A., 1963 // Who Killed Kennedy? -- Thomas Buchanan, 1964
The Manchester Affair - John Corry, 1967 // The Trial of Jack Ruby -- Kaplan/Waltz, 1965
Marina and Lee -- P.J. McMillan, 1977 // Lee: A Portrait of Lee Harvey Oswald -- Robert

Oswald, 1967 // Ramparts Magazine -- several complete issues are offered.

As noted before....this little "write-up" can't do much more than give the address!!

ABOUT F.B.I. AGENT JAMES P. HOSTY

by Deanie Richards 1992

How many times do we think of James Hosty each week? Ten, twenty, more? We always see him as a somewhat frustrated man, trying to tell the truth as he knew it, without getting into any MORE hot water. We've pondered for years the whats, whys and whens of his various actions: interviewing Marina; failing to report LHO to the Secret Service; and thereby "letting the President die," and then there's The Destroying Of LHO's Note. And what about his name and license number in Oswald's notebook??

Do we think of what the death of Kennedy meant to Hosty? Do we think of how the debate during the following years affected him personally and professionally? As for me...I haven't thought about that...Hosty is frozen in time, Flushing Away or Testifying about it.

But James Hosty has had a life since 11/22/63. And I can only try to imagine what those 29 years have meant to him and his family.

First of all, no one told him of some facts about the Oswald case — especially of LHO's [alleged] trip to Mexico City and his [alleged]

meeting with V.V. Kostikov.

Second, he first met Oswald, at DPD jail the day JFK died. Having only been assigned the case in Oct/63 and due to LHO's many and varied movements, Hosty hadn't met him prior to that day.

Thirdly, due to Hosty's position, he was the most noticable candidate to Twist In The Wind, in those earliest days of blame-placing, after

the assassination.

Let's say James Hosty did all that could have been expected of him, given the information and responsibilities he had at that time. Let's say he was NOT part of a conspiracy; that he was just Your Basic (PaperShuffling) FBI Agent. Let's say due to pride in doing his job well, and due to patriotism he would have done ANYthing he could have to prevent our President's murder.

Then let's think again about Agent Hosty's

life since 11/22/63.

First off, when the Varren Commission condemned the FBI for 'mistakes,' Hoover suspended Hosty's pay for a month, and re-assigned him to Kansas City [of ALL places!!]

Second, after about three years, Hosty found out some things that, had he known them in '63, he would have acted differently that November. He must have fait a bit perturbed that important LHO information known by others in the Agency in '63 had NOT been relayed to him.

Thirdly, think about what YOU have wondered concerning Hosty through these many years...haven't we all been very suspicous of him? Haven't we all spent some time placing blame on him, too? Vell, we haven't been the only ones! Lectures given, books written, videos made, films produced: "FBI Agent James P. Hosty Jr.,(etc)....!" And here's Hosty with little way to respond to the recurring charges that he was somehow at fault [omission/commission] for our President's death. I should think the last 29 years haven't always been pleasant for him or his family.

If we haven't spent too many hours wondering about those years for Hosty, I bet we haven't realized something else about his life, either. He has the 26 volumes. He reads the "JFK/related" books and articles. He has studied the assassination as we have, and can match us Warren Hearing Volume quote for quote.

And guess what else? Hosty doubts the truth will ever be known, but he is (as we are) looking forward to information gained when The Files Are Released. He's hoping the whole story will come out. As we do.

We have theories? So does he. Based on his studies and reasoning, he thinks Oswald killed JFK to impress Castro, but not due to any urging on Castro's part. He also realizes much may have been hidden in the time period after JFK's death to minimize any movement by our people to go to war with Cuba.

Most of us have argued with others through the years about how Lee Harvey

Oswald was "just a Patsy."

How many of us have argued that Hosty was "just a Pawn?"

NOTE: Tim O'Connor [a newspaper Staff Writer somewhere] interviewed James Hosty sometime prior to 7/92 and wrote an article. I received the clipping, but have no idea what paper it's from. The above are my thoughts on the article, based on my perception of Mr. O'Connor's interviews, research, & article about Hosty and on my own viewpoints.

[aNOTHer note: Hosty retired in 1979 and lives in the Midwest.]

Open the Files

HG #4 DEAD LIST SOURCE CODES

- AR =Archives of Audio, the Dave Emory tapes
- CA =Contract on America, David E. Scheim
- CU =Coup d'Etat-America, Weberman/Canfield
- DC =Double Cross, Sam & Chuck Giancana
- HT = High Treeson, Groden/Livingston
- TK =Ted & the Kennedy Legend, Max Lerner
- 3D =Third Decade, Jerry Rose-Editor

THE PUBLIC AND THE THIRD INVESTIGATION

If there ever comes about a third investigation into the JFK assassination should the public participate in some way? Or should it be left in politicians' hands alone, as the last two were?

I think not. Unless we want a similar unsatisfactory result, the public should demand certain rights. Basic should be ALL hearings open and on TV, with no "side" discussions.

Another should be that nothing will be stuck away in the Archives (and anything now in there will be brought out).

It is time to stop playing the "national security" games that protect nothing but the perpetrators of illegal acts. It is time for some real participatory democracy.

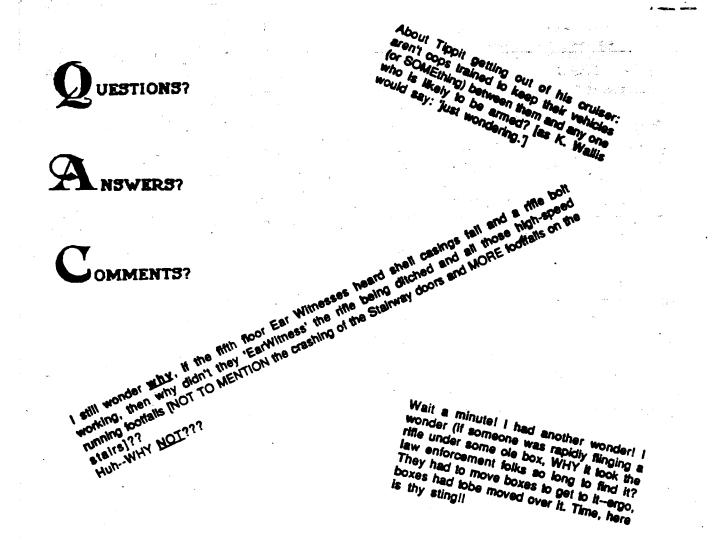
In addition, the public should be represented in some way, say by a panel of a dozen critics, chosen by lot, or voted in by the public. But not assigned. They would know best when the hearings were omitting testimony or ignoring vital evidence or suppressing files for nonsensical "cover-up" reasons.

Does this suggestion seem radical or irrational? What do you think? Would you handle it in some other way?

from K. WALLIS NM

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The really good part is there isn't going to be ANY order to THIS page, if I can help it!