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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

W.R. Morris has been investigating the John F. Kennedy murder for a decade. He has interviewed more than 1,000 persons in connection with Kennedy's death probe.

Morris has a contract with Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, Lee Harvey Oswald's mother, to write a book. He is presently working on a full length book regarding Oswald's role in the assassination of President Kennedy.

Morris is the author of "The Twelfth Of August," a biography of Buford Pusser, the real-life hero of the "Walking Tall" movie.

He has been in contact for a long time with two former agents of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. One of the agents, Harry Dean of California, has agreed to permit Morris to use his name. The other agent has asked that his name not be used. Both agents have provided Morris with first-hand information about the plot to kill John Kennedy.

W.R. Morris has traveled all over the United States gathering information about the Kennedy assassination. He spent several weeks in New Orleans with former District Attorney Jim Garrison.

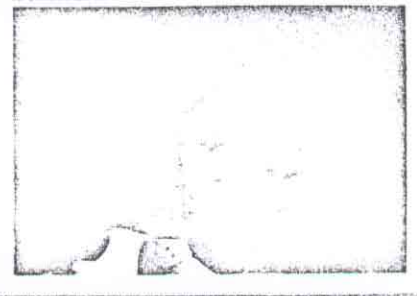
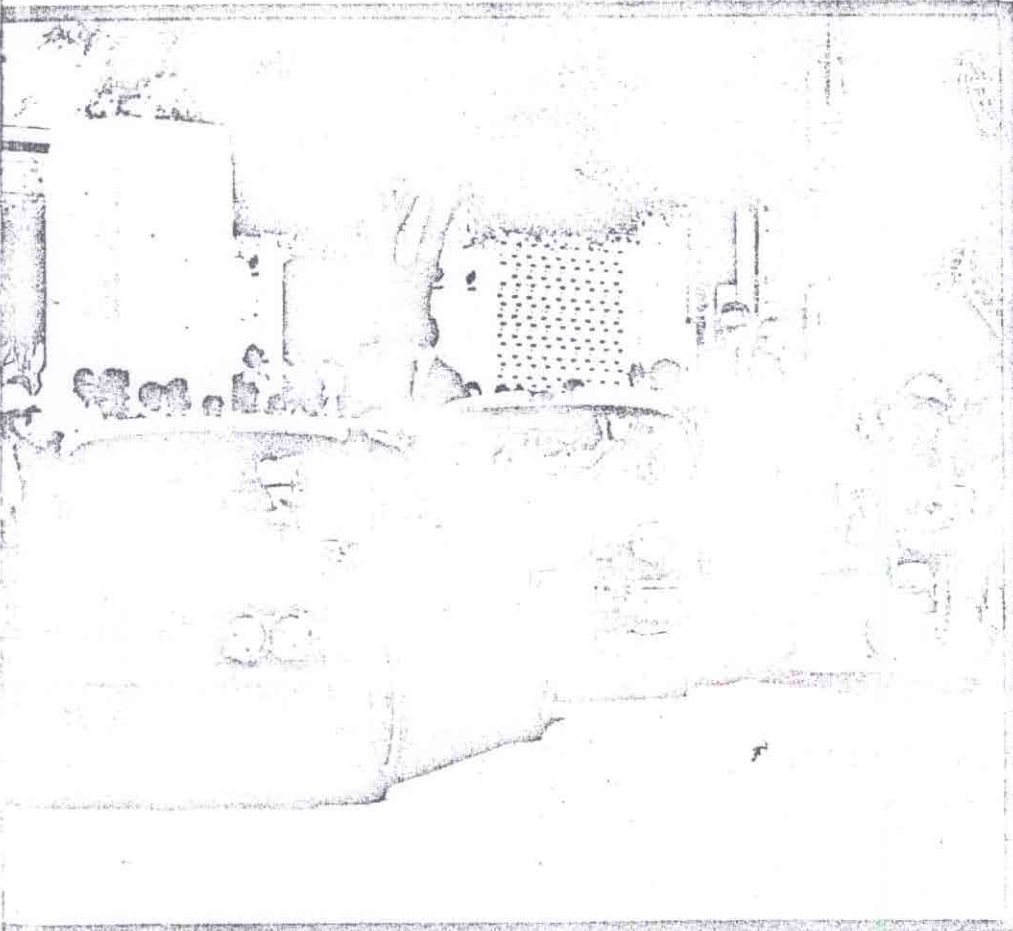
Morris has had his life threatened various times. He has received telephone calls advising him to stop "meddling" in the Kennedy case.

Only recently, a stranger walked into Morris' office near Loretto, Tennessee and asked the secretary if the author was in. When the secretary said he was out of town, the man handed her a copy of a national publication which had a photograph of Morris in it, then walked out of the office. In black ink, a cross-hair of a rifle scope had been drawn across Morris' picture.

Morris and former agent Dean were flown to New York by NBC and interviewed by Tom Snyder for the "Tomorrow" show. NBC officials, however, were afraid to air it.

W.R. Morris was born in Reagan, Tennessee, a small community in West Tennessee. He spent most of his adult years as an investigative reporter for various Southern newspapers.

He now makes his home in Loretto, Tennessee.



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Countless Americans doubt the Warren Commission's account of the assassination. Doubt that Lee Harvey Oswald was the lone gunman. Doubt that there was no conspiracy.

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Harry Dean, a former United States government agent, contends that it was the workings of a conspiracy hatched by two prominent Americans which triggered the fatal bullets in Dallas on November 22, 1963. Dean also contends that Lee Harvey Oswald was a Federal agent and did not take part in the presidential slaying.

Dean, who is an ex-employee of the Central Intelligence Agency and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, says he has tape recordings and other documents to substantiate evidence that a congressman and a former army general masterminded the ambush of John Kennedy.

"I know for a fact that a congressman and a general engineered the death of President Kennedy," Dean said as his steel blue eyes reflected deep emotion. "They claimed they had to do away with Mr. Kennedy for the sake of God and country.

"I sincerely hope that I will be challenged on the evidence I have . . . then we can lay all the cards on the table," Dean added.

"I attended many meetings of the John Birch Society prior to the assassination and heard details of the Kennedy kill plan being aired by both the congressman and general," Dean said.

"These discussions about the assassination of Mr. Kennedy were held after the Society's regular meeting. Only those who had been hand-picked by the congressman were allowed to attend. Most of the regular members didn't know about the plans to kill the president. I had convinced the congressman and his cohorts that I was a Kennedy hater," Dean said.

Harry Dean said that the congressman was the chief architect of the JFK murder plan and, with other right-wingers, financed it. He said the general recruited and trained the hired guns.

"I was with a man in September 1963 when he picked up \$10,000 in cash from the congressman at his home. The money was taken to Mexico City to help finance the murder of President Kennedy," Dean said.

"The assassination planning team operated out of Mexico City for several weeks before the president was slain in Dallas. I attended many of these meetings and learned a lot of inside information about the Kennedy kill plan," Dean said.



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"I turned this information over to my superiors, but they ignored it. I don't know if it was ever discussed in the higher levels of the agencies," Dean added.

Harry Dean worked with U.S. undercover operations during the late 50's and early 60's and was part of Fidel Castro's "26th of July Movement" which was designed to oust Fulgenio Bastista from power in Cuba. At the time, Dean was working for the CIA and joined Castro's guerrilla army so he could keep U.S. authorities posted on the Cuban leader's activities.

Dean, at one time, was also a member of the Fair Play For Cuba Committee, the National Minutemen's Organization and the John Birch Society.

"I infiltrated all these groups and gathered information for the agencies concerning their various activities. The FBI handles internal security and the CIA external. Therefore, the information I garnered was turned over accordingly. A lot of the information had nothing to do with Mr. Kennedy's safety, but was information that was vital to the national security of the United States," Dean said.

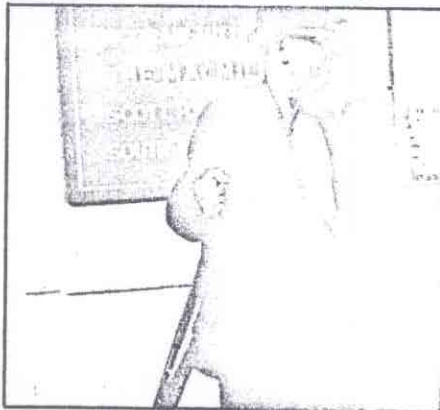
The former agent said he infiltrated the John Birch Society for several months and gathered first-hand information from certain members regarding their plans to assassinate John Kennedy.

Dean said the congressman and general

convinced some members of the Birch Society that a "dirty communist" tag should be plastered on John Kennedy and that he should be marked for death to save the United States from "falling into Red hands."

"The congressman and his special band of Birchers were smooth talkers. The propaganda they handed out at the meetings was so convincing, that, I, too, almost began to believe that John Kennedy was a communist," Dean said.

"The tragedy of it all was the fact that they were able to brainwash several persons into believing that Kennedy was a



communist and therefore, it was not a crime to murder him," Dean added.

The ex-agent pointed out that the congressman, general and all their associates, labeled themselves patriotic Americans whose self-appointed job was to rid the United States of a man who was infecting the nation with a freedom-strangling disease called communism.

Harry Dean said the congressman, general and the other conspirators framed Lee Harvey Oswald after they learned that Oswald was a Federal undercover agent and had given their assassination plans to the agents who were responsible for protecting President Kennedy.

"Lee Harvey Oswald, like me, worked for the FBI and the CIA. He was on the payroll of the United States government when he was shot down in the Dallas Police Station," Dean said.

"The original plan to kill Mr. Kennedy was centered around the Dallas Trade Mart where he was scheduled to give a luncheon speech.

"Oswald had attended several Birch Society meetings under a false name and had learned of the plans. The congressman found out about Oswald and became very angry. Because of Oswald's connections with the Fair Play For Cuba Committee, and his defection to Russia, the congressman and general labeled him a communist. It was at this point that they decided to frame Lee Harvey Oswald by switching the murder scene to the Texas Book Depository where Oswald worked," Dean added.

Dean said Lee Harvey Oswald was caught by surprise when the assassination occurred at the Book Depository instead of the Trade Mart Center.

"Oswald immediately realized that he was being framed when officers rushed into the book building, and for his own safety, he quickly left the area.

"An agent, regardless of the situation, is strictly on his own. The agency that he is working for at the time will not come to his rescue. It would be too embarrassing for the agency.

"This is a sad thing, but true. However, all agents are well aware of this before they get involved in undercover work. After the shooting, Lee Harvey Oswald was scared. He knew that the conspirators would kill him and they did," Dean said.

Dean added that if the assassins had attempted to shoot Kennedy at the Trade Mart Center they either would have been killed or captured because the whole area was crawling with Federal agents who were heavily armed.

"Lee Harvey Oswald had done his job well. He had given the proper authorities detailed information about the conspirators' plans to murder Mr. Kennedy at the Trade Mart," Dean said.

Harry Dean said that if Lee Harvey Oswald had lived, the truth about the congressman, the general and the other conspirators, would have surfaced shortly after the assassination.

"The plotters had hoped that Oswald would be killed during his capture. When Oswald was taken into custody alive, they immediately put the wheels into motion for Jack Ruby to murder him.

"Ruby was a member of the conspiracy team . . . he was in a perfect position to carry out the murder of Oswald. Ruby hobnobbed with several high officials of the Dallas Police Department, and with his inside connections, was able to get through the so-called tight security and kill agent Oswald," Dean said.

Harry Dean surmised that many persons will ask why he has waited so long to reveal the facts about the Kennedy assassination.

"I have remained behind the scenes for more than twelve years for the sake of my family. My wife has begged me to forget the whole thing.

"The trouble is I cannot forget it. It has been eating on me day and night like a deadly cancer. I can't keep living with his horrible burden. This is the reason I have to talk," Dean said.

The ex-agent also fears for the personal safety of both himself and his family.

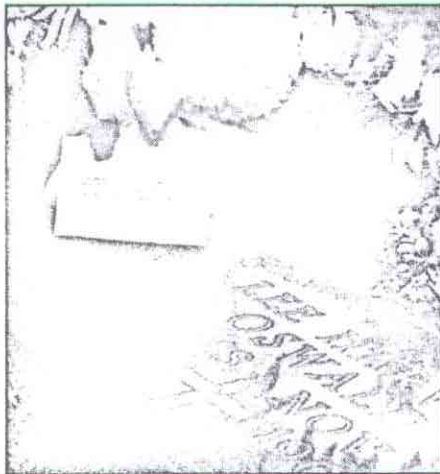
"If they will murder the president of the United States, they will certainly murder some other person who stands in their way. I would be a liar if I said I wasn't afraid. However, I have some insurance. If they kill me, the evidence I have will immediately be turned over to the proper authorities. I have seen to this," Dean said.

Last year, when Dean was in New York, his hotel room was entered and searched by a man who closely resembled the former agent. The stranger went to the desk clerk in the Sheraton Hotel and asked for the key to Room 1465.

The clerk asked the stranger's name.

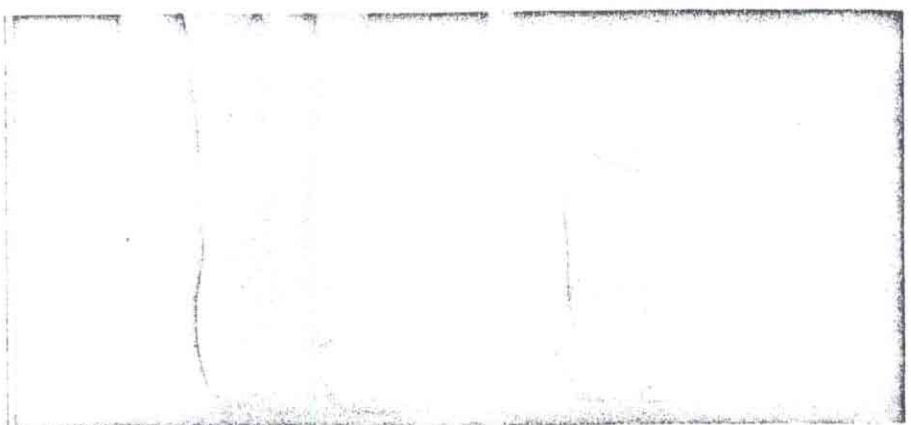
"Falon", he answered.

"Yes. That's right. You're in Room 1465," the clerk replied, handing the man the key.



Harry Dean was registered in Room 1465 under the name "Dean Falon," an alias he had used on many intelligence missions as a U.S. government agent.

When Dean returned to the hotel, he



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found that his room had been searched and that a suit of clothing was missing. Fortunately, he had taken with him letters and documents concerning the Kennedy murder.

The incident shook Dean, and he sat in the hotel lobby all night, afraid to go to bed.

Hotel-security police, after learning who Harry Dean was, said they were convinced the incident was not a routine burglary and that the suit was stolen as a cover for searching the room.

Harry Dean said the recent articles about Fidel Castro masterminding John Kennedy's death was as phony as the Warren Commission's claim that Lee Harvey Oswald pulled the trigger that snuffed out the president's life.

"There is a move on now by several government officials in Washington to destroy Castro. This is why they are claiming that Castro was behind the John Kennedy murder. This is totally false," Dean said.

"I am well acquainted with Fidel Castro. He deserved to be cut down and ousted from power. However, a lot of innocent people in Cuba will be hurt by our harassment of that country's welfare.

"Also, when Castro realizes that he is being framed by American officials, he will retaliate by having buildings and

other property in the United States bombed by underground terrorists. I know how he operates. He is a ruthless man.

"As a result of all this, a lot of innocent people, both in Cuba and the United States, will be killed," Dean added.

Dean contended that one government committee that investigated the Kennedy assassination claimed that all leads focused on the Soviet Union and Oswald's connections there.

"Now, members of the recent Washington committee say that all the leads point to Cuba and Fidel Castro. This is pure political propaganda," Dean said.

In the meantime, Dean added, the smoke screen created by the propaganda is hiding the real Kennedy slayers from justice.

"I wish that the congressman and the general had enough nerve to confront me in court. If this ever happens, the John Kennedy murder will be solved," Dean promised. "Just get me into the courtroom."

COMING IN THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF ARGOSY: The conclusion of this two-part series. Details are revealed regarding Lee Harvey Oswald's ties with the CIA and the FBI. Also, Harry Dean describes other conspirators, including two triggermen who took part in the John Kennedy murder. ■