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Dear Paul,

I believe you asked me, several years ago, if I knew anything about the Rampart St. address Oswald used in Mexico. I do not know now whether it was North or South Rampart, but I believe it was South. Looking for something else I find the CIA report on William Allen Simms, III, who immediately told the FBI in Resurgent that he recognized Oswald on TV as the man he saw giving out literature on Canal St.

Simms' N.O. address was 513 N. Rampart (very close to Novel's bar of a later day and on the edge of the Quarter). In addition to wondering about whether this is the address LHO gave and why he gave a Rampart St address when there is no record he ever had one, I also find myself wondering whether Simms could just have been strolling down the street, had a casual glance at a stranger, and four months later making a positive identification.

Do you know if anyone ever checked the address LHO gave in the N.O. city directory for 1963 (in those years, there was one every two years only)?

Do you have anything on Eugene J. Hobbs, N.O.? whenever someone is going through the indexes, if it is possible to include this name, please do.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg