

Dear Gary, and others,

8/21/90

After your call this morning the mail came. It includes a couple of things on the White wash that may interest you. One is the "dividend" of the Grassy Knoll Gazette, on the chance you don't get it, and the other is a letter from a friend you do not know in the Los Angeles area.

Along with a number of clippings of an AP story of the White press conference the friend tells me he "heard this radio talk show on KFI in L.A. (the host is a guy called Tom Wykus). White was on with his story and Robert Groden was also giving credence to the tale." (Does this square with the Robert/Livingstone book?)

One of the clippings was the cover and several pages of a supermarket tabloid I'd never heard of, Weekly World News. The cover story proclaims that JFK is alive, that he escaped to Poland, where he is still hidden by the doctor caring for him, who wrote the paper a letter setting this forth.

On the chance you do not see the Grassy Knoll Gazette, first I should tell you that Bob Wytler, who puts it out, is not a madman. He is one of the nicest guys you'd ever want to know and a successful architect. You'll notice that this dividend issue is because he was lucky enough to catch the Inside Edition show. He does not mention my name although I was the only one opposed to the Whites on it. And he states the Whites are not liars. Among other things I won't take the edge off of by any paraphrase.

I'm not going to read it and spell out all their special abbreviations that must at the least bewilder those not informed. If that is the right word.

GKG is the Grassy Knoll Gazette, himself.

TUM is The Umbrella Man. Not the Witt who Earl Golz dug up and who testified to the Congress. The last identification I recall from GKG is Gordon Novel, said to have confessed.

Flechette is a miniature missile fired by TUM by means of an umbrella. Not by pointing the umbrella, you should understand. The umbrella is held upright to launch the missile and it is launched at right angle from the stem of the umbrella, through the cloth.

D-TB, as best I can figure it out, means Dal-Tex Building.

He has a game of musical windows, you'll observe. Better than musical chairs for what he says he is, an assassinologist.

If you decide to give a copy to anyone, please obliterate my name. I don't want any more complaints from Bob.

Fortunately, he has almost no circulation because this kind of nonsense would serve only to undermine all credibility.

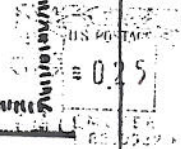
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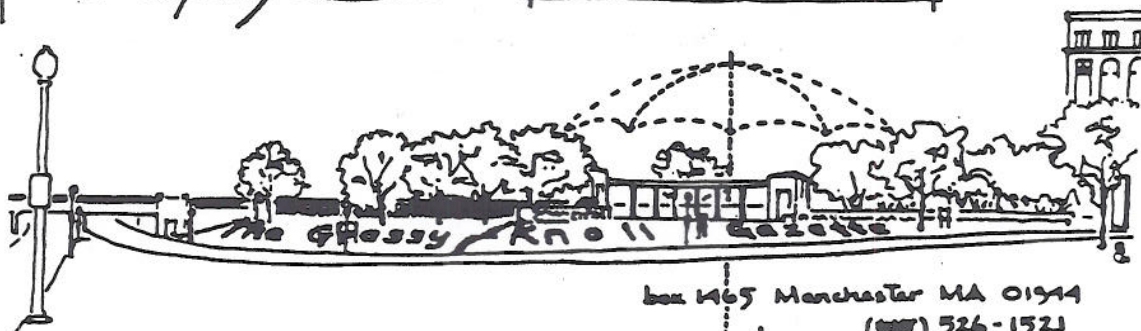
Roscoe White

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ROSCOE WHITE, CIA aka DPD

Roscoe has burst upon the scene thanks to the courage of his son and daughter-in-law in seeking help from JFK AIC in going public with what they discovered reading the father's diary.

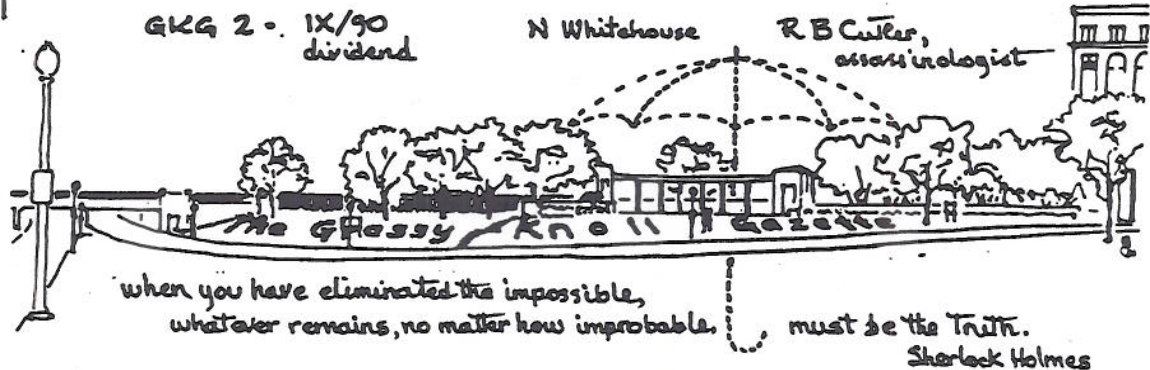
Luckily GKG caught the White's on Inside Edition being accused of lying; the girl's reply was magnificent. They are not liars; they are scared and we join them and JFK AIC in not lying and being scared. If the White's turn out to be liars and fast-buck artists GKG goes down the same damn drain.

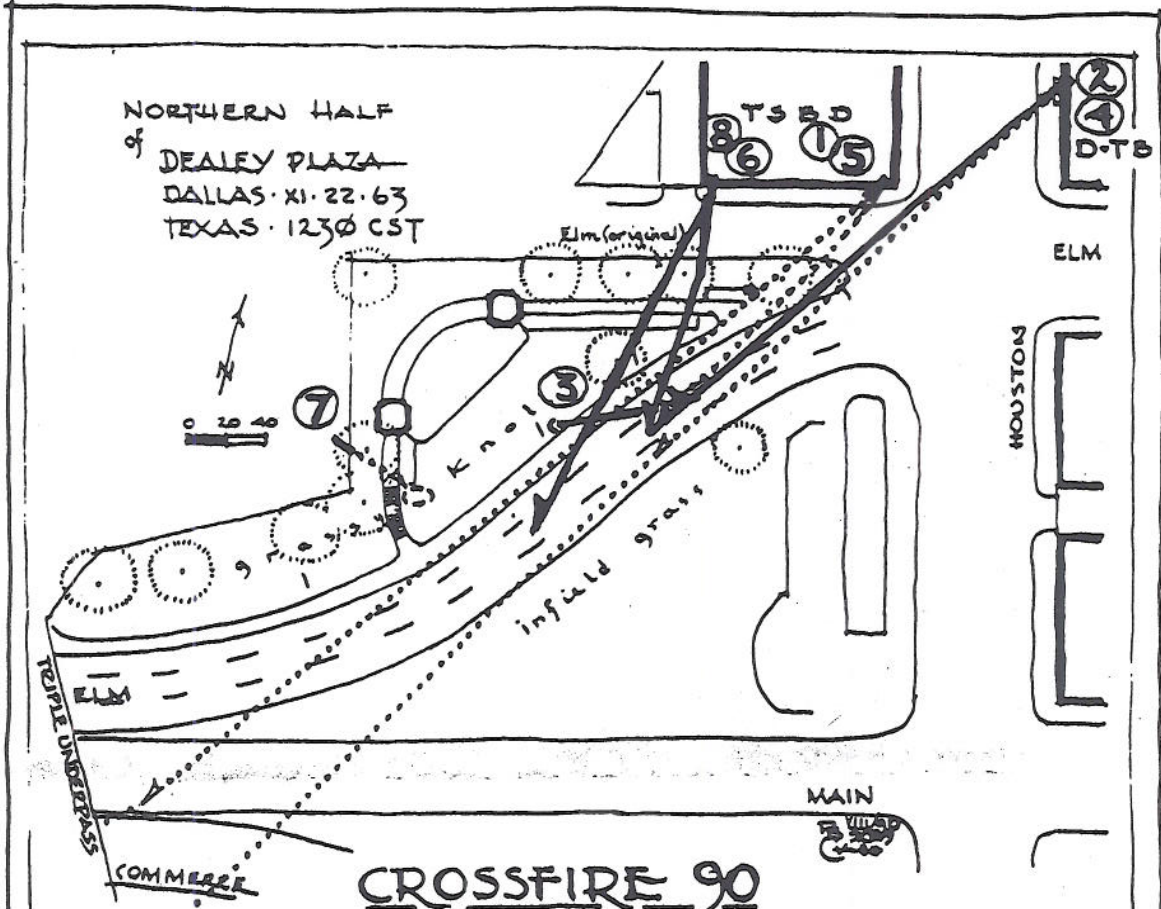
Having read EF Tatro in the current Third Decade it is comforting to realize SOG, the Seat of Government, the White House, NSC, CIA FBI are also scared, thankful for the Iraqi carpet that keeps them flying over the bad news from Dallas ...for a while.

Roscoe was a member of the death squad (the media only allows this for contras and worse south of the Rio Grande) responsible for the executive action of the coup d'etat in Dealey Plaza XI/22/63. Blessed with some familiarity with the shots and wounds of that ambush, we brought Crossfire 90 up to snuff by inserting Roscoe into the line-up. See page 3.

Any disagreement with the published reports of his actions in the press can always be ironed out when this brouhaha simmers down. We present this sequence as a "second opinion."

Looking at the whole firing sequence where do Roscoe's reported two shots best fit in? There are two shots from the grassy knoll, two from the D-TB and two from ^{bolts} windows #1 and #14 on the sixth floor of the TSHD. If the Whites are telling the truth about the contents they read in the diary, Roscoe should fit in somewhere.





CROSSFIRE 90

- ① White fires first intentional miss, scars Mair, wounds Tague Z-155
- ② Santana fires, misses, scars Elm Z-160
- ③ Novel, the Umbrella Man launches fléchette, wounds JFK in Throat Z-188
- ④ Santana fires again, wounds JFK in Back Z-220
- ⑤ White fires second intentional miss, scars windshield frame Z-221/2
- ⑥ Seymours fires at JFK, bullet ricochets off twig, wounds JBC, ... Z-223
Chest + Wrist
- ⑦ "Badgerman" fires diversionary blank: puff of smoke Z-287
- ⑧ Seymour fires again, fatally wounds JFK in head Z-312/313

Reflections on the news from JFK Assassination Information Center...

The Grassy Knoll has the back-up team of Frenchy and Harrelson behind the fence with "Badgeman" and Novel on the grass east of Stemmons. TUM's shot is the silent flêchette launched into JFK's throat. "Badgeman's" is a diversionary blank fired to attract attention to the railroad yards so the hit-men in the upper floors, TSED and D-TB, can drop to ground level and escape in the opposite direction. Roscoe's two shots do not come from the grassy knoll.

Did Roscoe fire the two shots from the D-TB? R E Sprague will notice we have corrected the assassin's location down from window #1 on VII to window # 4 on II (partly Penelope). GKG does not doubt Garrison's statement that Santana fired two shots at the motorcade from the D-TB. Note the similarity of Roscoe's statement; but he did not fire from the Dal-Tex Building.

Two shots from TSED's window #14; is that Roscoe? Our hunch, supported by Penelope, says it's Seymour in this window; Roscoe fired from the other end of the floor, from window #1.

Gary Shaw and Larry Harris in Coverup have the two evidentiary shots fired from the "Oswald window". It's the best possible location for someone in a DPD uniform. After firing the two intentional misses, standing behind the pipes that make accurate shooting impossible, he adds the third hull from his pocket and lines them up neatly together on the floor just as Roger Craig said he found them. This third hull is the dented one, its pre-fired bullet was thrown into the casket at pre-autopsy surgery so it could be found, as it was, at formal autopsy later. Receipted for by FBI's Seibert and O'Neill, this is the beginning of its rise to fame as CE 399.

After firing the Mannlicher-Carcano's two Carcano bullets, Roscoe then fine-tunes the boxes in and around the assassin's nest, positions the hulls as noted, stashes the rifle near the stairway and then starts making like a cop looking for hard evidence. He plays a major part in the very beginnings of Coverup with his work in being the architect of the nest, providing the police with the hulls and the rifle that was the basis of the lone-assassin theory.

Having bumped into Hidell, alias Oswald, at the second-floor lunch room, it is of more than passing fancy that Truly and Baker, en route to the roof, might have seen a DPD officer searching the sixth floor. JFK AIC's work is just beginning. It is hoped that somewhere there will be a segment of the media that can swallow their pride and lose just a little face in order to burrow in on the evidence that is still surfacing, twenty almost seven years after the fact, on just

WHO KILLED JFK? ...CHANGE may yet re-arrange TSED's SIXTH FLOOR....

JFK AIC needs all the help in the media, the bank and your hearts that you can muster. The Whites know what we mean and you can and must let them know they are not liars. Roscoe must be turning over and over and over

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Alleged assassin's peers dubious

By David Real

Staff Writer of The Dallas Morning News

Roscoe Anthony "Rock" White was an easygoing, mild-mannered Dallas police officer who liked to play dominoes on his lunch break.

Or he was a coldblooded CIA assassin who killed his president and a brother patrolman on Nov. 22, 1963.

Two weeks ago, Mr. White's son, Ricky Don White of Midland, said that his father was both.

Man's story of dad questioned

But few of those who knew Mr. White seem to agree.

His contemporaries find it almost impossible to believe that the man who worked an extra job unloading freight to make ends meet for his family would be capable of killing both President John F. Kennedy and Dallas Police Department Patrolman J.D. Tippit.

And some members of the group that stood behind Ricky White two weeks ago during a news conference at the JFK Assassination Information Center in downtown Dallas now offer competing theories that contradict or conflict with Ricky White's account.

Investigators and volunteers are hard at work trying to verify Ricky White's ac-

count. Although the theory was received with skepticism in some quarters, Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox and representatives of the Dallas County district attorney's office each met with some of the theory's proponents last week.

All that is known with certainty is that Roscoe White was born in Paris, Texas, on Nov. 18, 1935. He joined the Marine Corps on Feb. 19, 1957, and was honorably discharged as a sergeant on Dec. 4, 1962.

On Oct. 7, 1963, he started working for Please see ALLEGED on Page 18A.

Alleged assassin's contemporaries cast doubt on his son's account

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the Dallas Police Department as a clerk in the identification division. Six weeks later, Mr. Kennedy was assassinated.

In December 1963, Roscoe White began classes at the Dallas Police Academy and graduated on Feb. 28, 1964, with police badge No. 1884.

He left the police force on Oct. 18, 1965, to work at a drugstore. On Sept. 24, 1971, Mr. White was working as a welder and shop foreman at M&M Equipment Co. when he died in a fire at the East Dallas business.

The story might have ended there, Ricky White said, if he had not found his father's diary, in which the man supposedly admitted to the killings.

But Ricky White said the diary — known only to him and his mother — disappeared from his home after an FBI agent visited in 1983.

Mr. White now is trying to reconstruct the diary passages from memory, said Robert Groden, author of a book on the Kennedy assassination. Seven other people have come forward since the news conference, saying they saw and read parts of the diary without the knowledge of Ricky White or his mother, said Mr. Groden.

But experts disagree about the authenticity of three vaguely worded cables — the only physical evidence in the case — that Ricky White said ordered his father to kill the president.

And Mrs. White is too sick to talk to reporters.

No evidence can be found that unquestionably substantiates Ricky White's assassination account, but some has been found that challenge its details.

Joe H. West, who sat with Ricky White at the news conference two weeks ago, says now that panel members argued beforehand whether to tell the news media "the whole truth" about the assassination.

In any case, the story presented that day differs from one presented a few months earlier by Mr. West, a Houston private investigator, and J. Gary Shaw, vice president of the JFK Assassination Information Center. The two held a news conference in May at which they blamed the Mafia for the assassination.

Mr. West said then that Mr. Kennedy was killed by Charles Nicoletti, a hit man for the Sam Giancana crime family of Chicago, and was

backed up by another Mafia hit man, John Roselli. Mr. West said last week that both men joined Roscoe White on the grassy knoll near Dealey Plaza on Nov. 22, 1963, as part of a joint operation between the CIA and the Mafia.

Mr. West said that Mr. White and Mr. Nicoletti fired one shot each; Ricky White said his father fired both shots.

"Ricky is confused, I think, at the point where he's thinking his father fired both of those shots," Mr. West said.

In all, there were nine armed operatives in the area around Dealey Plaza that day, Mr. West said.

Mr. West said he and two other panel members threatened to walk out of the news conference because the other members wanted to tell only the "Ricky White story" without portraying Roscoe White as a cold-blooded assassin who killed dozens of victims.

"They'll make this just a sugar-coated, beautiful little story about how a good former Marine fired a shot — when he was ordered — at the president," Mr. West said. "That's not the truth."

"The whole truth might not be good for the sale of a book that Ricky wants to write," Mr. West said.

The JFK Assassination Information Center is no stranger to controversy.

Earlier this year, the center closed its doors and moved out of its headquarters for more than a month before settling a contract dispute with the West End MarketPlace.

Larry Howard, co-director of the center, said the suit did not deal with financial problems but with the failure of developers to live up to lease conditions that guaranteed the center prominent visibility in the mall. The MarketPlace countersued for back rent.

Ten days before the news conference, the two parties reached a settlement that included two promissory notes from the center for about \$62,000.

The center was the stage for the news conference Aug. 6 in which Ricky White accused his father of one of the most heinous crimes of the century.

But those who knew Roscoe White growing up in Arkansas describe him as a normal, disciplined young man who was the center and co-captain of the Foreman High

School football team.

Mazie Cannon, 82, said she was Mr. White's math teacher from the seventh through 12th grades.

"He was as fine a youngster as I ever dealt with, caused nobody any trouble" she said. "He was not a top-flight student, but he did his work."

As a trainee at the Dallas Police Academy, Sgt. Don Young said he was seated next to Roscoe White, and the two quickly became friends, playing dominoes at lunch and during breaks.

"I can remember Roscoe just like it was yesterday, and to me, this whole thing is ridiculous," Sgt. Young said. "He was a very outgoing guy, very likable, no problems. It's just hard for me to believe something like this."

After the assassination, Dallas police Officer Maurice McDonald — a locker mate of Officer Tippit's — arrested Lee Harvey Oswald in the Texas Theater in Oak Cliff.

Mr. McDonald said that Roscoe White could not have killed Officer Tippit because a half-dozen witnesses told the Warren Commission that they saw the officer fall, then watched Oswald walk by, reloading his gun.

"That's a bunch of crap," Mr. McDonald said of the Roscoe White story. "There's no credibility to that at all. J.D. Tippit was just one of them good old East Texas boys."

Six years after Roscoe White left the Dallas Police Department, he died in an industrial fire. Ricky White said the "mysterious" fire is proof that his father was murdered.

But retired Dallas lawyer Lamar Holley said he represented the White family in a lawsuit against the manufacturer of a flammable chemical that apparently caused the explosion that resulted in Mr. White's death. Mr. Holley said he considered the lawsuit nothing more than a product liability case.

"Never once in our thorough and complete investigation — never once — was there any hint of any foul play or anything criminal happening," Mr. Holley said.

The issue of foul play was never mentioned by anyone in the White family, he said.

The chemical manufacturer settled the suit out of court in 1973 for \$57,500, court records show. Ricky White collected \$11,738 from the settlement in 1978.

In an unusual sidelight, Roscoe



Roscoe Anthony White ... his son says the former Dallas policeman assassinated John F. Kennedy.

White briefly was the subject of inquiries by the House Select Committee on Assassinations in 1976. Mrs. White supplied the committee a photo that she found among her late husband's possessions. The photo was an original, previously unknown print of Oswald, armed with a pistol on his hip and holding the rifle that investigators said was used to shoot Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. Holley said that Mrs. White sometime in 1973 gave him one of Mr. White's pictures for safekeeping. The subject of the photo was Oswald — naked and dead, lying on a slab in an autopsy room.

"It was quite a shock to see that picture," Mr. Holley said. "That photograph was something she felt could get somebody in big trouble."

But former Dallas police Officer William Barnard said he met Mr. White when both were working in the Police Department's identification bureau before attending the academy together.

Mr. Barnard said "quite a few" prints of Oswald and other photos were made by department personnel. "We all had those kinds of pictures," Mr. Barnard said. "It was not unusual for us to have those pictures. I had, for a time, pictures of Oswald and I think I still have one picture of Jack Ruby."

Mr. Barnard said he is convinced that Roscoe White could not have been involved in the assassination because the two men routinely shared close quarters in a car pool during that time.

"He and I rode together every day for three months," Mr. Barnard said. "There's no way that a man could have kept up a front like that."

Staff writer Frank Trejo contributed to this report.