

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/28/70

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~~FROM~~ : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-75011)

SUBJECT: "INNOVATOR"  
IS-MISCELLANEOUS

*100-44297-72 107-GEN'L 226 858*  
**ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
DATE 5-19-83 BY SP13SKC**

Re Bureau letter dated 2/12/70, captioned as

above.

Enclosed for the Bureau is one copy of "Efficacy",  
Spring 1970 edition.

Current investigation has failed to develop the  
immediate availability of a copy of "Innovator" for transmission  
to the Bureau. The results of a review of the Los Angeles files  
and efforts to develop information concerning "Innovator" are  
set out herewith

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(1) [REDACTED]

ENCLOSURE

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- ② - Bureau (Encls. 1) (RM)
- 2 - Los Angeles
- (1 - 100-72547) (NEW LEFT-PUBLICATIONS)

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(2) "Efficacy", a 16 page 5 3/4" x 8 1/2" quarterly slick publication whose cover self-describes itself as "A Fountainhead of Libertarian Ideology", a copy of which was made available by [REDACTED] as a "returned" piece of mail. It had been postmarked at Kingsville, Texas, on 5/7/70.

Inquiry at the Los Angeles City Public Library, Los Angeles, California, on 5/18/70, disclosed that "Innovator" is not maintained in its Periodical Section. A card index maintained by that department, however, describes "Innovator" as "A Non-Political Newsletter", first issued in 1965, whose editor was KERRY THORNLEY, as set out in its "Writer's Guide". (u)

The Information Desk of the above mentioned Los Angeles City Public Library further advised that the 1970 Standard Periodical Directory lists one JACK TELLER as editor of "Innovator", a publication which emphasizes objectives as "self-liberation", increasing one's own personal freedom.

Inquiries at the following major distributors of various publications and/or books, including those of the New Left type, disclose that "Innovator" is not carried or known by them:

- (1) Free Press Bookstore  
424 1/2 North Fairfax  
Los Angeles, California
- (2) Universal News Agency  
1651 Las Palmas Avenue  
Los Angeles, California
- (3) Either/Or Bookstore  
124 Pier Avenue  
Hermosa Beach, California

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[REDACTED] U.S. Post Office, Mailing Regulations Section, Postal Annex Building, Los Angeles, California, advised on 5/18/70, that his records failed to disclose any information concerning any second or third class mailing permits that had been issued to "Innovator" or the above listed editors.

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A review of the indices of the Los Angeles Office fails to disclose any pertinent identifiable information concerning "Innovator" and [REDACTED]

As to THORNLEY, the Office indices reflect that one KERRY WENDELL THORNLEY was sought by the FBI for interview by the President's Commission in May 1964, concerning the LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R-CUBA matter, at which time he resided at 4201 South 31st. Street, Arlington, Virginia. (u)

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Brad's note

"Innovator" - left wing - of which Thorn  
was the editor -

Merged w/ Efficacy which is published  
in Texas -

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Records, Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters,  
808 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California, currently  
reflect that

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The above records reflect no information concerning  
or KERRY THORNLEY. 4

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The above-mentioned issue of "Efficacy" (Spring 1970) is being forwarded to the Bureau for general information. As noted, page 15 therein refers to "Innovator" in several instances.

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In the meantime, this matter is being considered closed. Further, it is being left to the discretion of the Bureau to consider requesting the Houston Office to determine if "Innovator" is now published there independently or in conjunction with "Efficacy".