

Dear Les,

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= The recent columns on the oil cartels are fine but you can go farther if you want to. I did that original work in about 1941. I then turned photostats over to Joe Borkin, who was with Thurman Arnold in the DJ Anti-Trust Division. Much more than merely with a very important part of the then excellent operations.

The restrictive deals with the Nazis also included synthetic petroleum ~~products~~ products. Remember, Hitler had no natural gasoline and his war machine did run.

Costly, if course, but can you imagine what the difference could now be if there had been US work on converting coal into gasoline?

As I recall it the patent deals were registered in the US Patent Office and could be retrieved from the card file they had in those days under JASCO. My recollection is that it was a Louisiana outfit. The name man stand for Joint American Stock Co.

Joe then sent me to the British, closest I ever came to being a spook. I took all my Nazi cartel work to them. Only they also did nothing with it, I guess because the British were in on that or similar deals through Imperial Chemicals.

Sidelight: I made the contact with the British spooks, who had a nice house on 34 or 35 Street south of Mass., through the press officer at the Embassy. She then had the highest job in British diplomacy any woman had held. Her name is Craig Mc Geachy. It turns out that she is alive and well and the aunt of a good friend, Ian McDonald, who was with the Times of London (editorship often in his family).

I've tried to get copies back from Justice but they claim they can't find the stuff. No xeroxing then- only photostats.

Inability to find it may be real. Borkin used some of this in his book on Farben. He might have taken it with him when he left Justice.

If there is anything relating to ~~Max~~ Ed Morgan taking his Mafia kickback theory on the JFK assassination to Drew that does not have to be confidential I'd be very interested. It is part of a pretty Byzantine story I've been putting together. The FBI knew before Rowley told it after Pearson told Warren, who then told Rowley, whereas normally ~~he~~ ^{Warren} would have told the FBI. Ed Morgan had been an FBI inspector. He was on its do-not-contact lists. They do have such a list! The White House had them interview Morgan, who made a pretense of holding back.

But the FBI knew several years earlier when Maheu's dick got caught in his tapping of Phyllis McGuire's phone for Sam Giancana was detected. To get it wiped out was a job. Maheu did it, then later told the FBI.

The FBI did nothing until Jack came back from New Orleans impressed with Garrison and told the FBI. About then the FBI told LBJ, who concluded that the CIA was involved in the JFK assassination because of it.

Best,