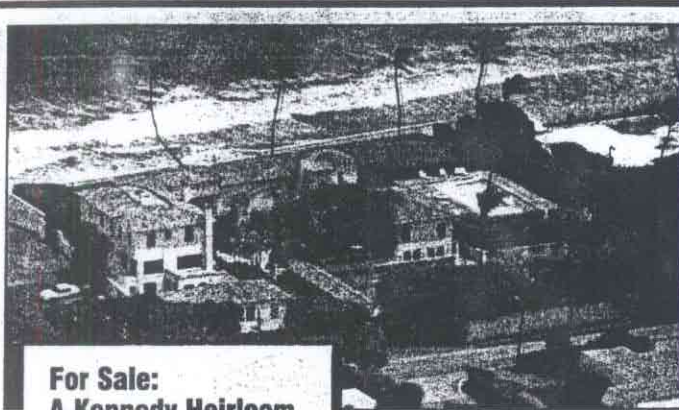


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For Sale: A Kennedy Heirloom

Location: Palm Beach, Fla.
Price: \$7 million
Built: 1923
Size: 8,500 square feet
Style: Mediterranean
Bedrooms: 6
Baths: 5½
Other features: Swimming pool, tennis court

A House History



Joseph and Rose Kennedy bought the house in 1933 for \$120,000

John F. Kennedy used the house as his winter home and selected his cabinet while staying there after he was elected.



Patricia Bowman alleged that William Kennedy Smith, left, a nephew of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, sexually assaulted her there in March, 1991.

\$7M For A Piece Of History

COMBINED NEWS SERVICES

Palm Beach, Fla. — The Kennedy estate, famed as John F. Kennedy's winter White House and darkened by the William Kennedy Smith sex scandal, went on the market yesterday for \$7 million.

"The Kennedy family has always enjoyed going to Palm Beach," said Bryan R. Dunn, a Kennedy family spokesman in New York City.

"They have a rich and long tradition of going down there. But it makes sense to sell the property now," Dunn said.

The Mediterranean-style seaside mansion was built in 1923 and purchased 10 years later by Joseph P. Kennedy for \$120,000. The 8,500-square-foot mansion has six bedrooms, 5½ baths, a swimming pool and a tennis court.

President John F. Kennedy used the two-acre estate as a winter resort. More recently, Patricia Bowman alleged that Smith, a nephew of Sen. Edward Kennedy, sexually assaulted her there in March, 1991. Smith was acquitted.

The sale is "wholly unrelated" to the allegations and the trial of Smith, Dunn said.

The family is not seeking other Palm Beach property, Dunn said.

According to local lore, the Kennedys, an Irish Catholic family with "new" money, were not welcomed by Palm Beach's Old Guard, with established wealth and high society pedigree.

Sotheby's International Realty had been given an exclusive listing to market the property. Potential buyers will be prescreened according to "very strict guidelines" to make sure they have the financial wherewithal and are genuine shoppers, not just gawkers, he added.

Still Seeking JFK Plot Theory

By Michael Dorman

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

Dallas — She slipped into the hotel bar like a wraith. One moment, she was not there. The next, it seemed, she was seated at a table with friends — clutching a drink.

But, then, Marina Oswald Porter long ago developed a certain talent for unobtrusive entrances and exits. The widow of the secretive Lee Harvey Oswald appeared gaunt, pale and tired — a bit like a frightened doe — as she mingled with assassination conspiracy buffs gathered for a conference marking the 30th anniversary of John F. Kennedy's murder.

"Why are you here?" she was asked.

"The same reason other people are here," she said.

"What's that?"

"To learn."

"What are you learning?"

"Look around," she said, waving an arm to encompass the swarms of conspiracy buffs drawn to the conference.

What Marina Oswald Porter, 54, could still learn about the assassination after three decades is unclear. But she has had a history of giving new interpretations to the events. Shortly after the assassination, she told authorities she believed Lee Oswald alone had carried out the crime. She gave federal agents information about Oswald's rifle and said he had told her about using it in April, 1963, to fire an errant shot at Edwin Walker, the army general fired by Kennedy for indoctrinating his troops with right-wing propaganda. Ballistics tests showed that the bullet fired at Walker and bullets fired at Kennedy both came from Oswald's rifle. Later, however, Marina Oswald Porter claimed there might have been a conspiracy.

At the Assassination Symposium on John F. Kennedy, the KGB agent who denied Lee Oswald permission to return to Russia two months before the assassination yesterday addressed hundreds of buffs hungering for evidence of a conspiracy. Instead, the white-bearded Col. Oleg Nechiporenko, 61, disputed the buffs almost as firmly as he had Oswald. "Lee Oswald was a lone assassin," Nechiporenko insisted. "He had sadomasochistic tendencies. My dealings with him led me to believe he was some kind of neurotic with an inclination to hysterics."

Author Norman Mailer, the conference's keynote speaker, said: "Oswald could well have been a lone killer." But he said it was also possible that there had been a conspiracy. "Oswald was a congenital liar," Mailer said. "He lived for the sheer panache of not telling truths."

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Marina Porter

Team Attacked on Subway

By Otto Strong

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New York — Twelve members of the Richmond Hill High School boys' basketball team were attacked by a pack of 10 gun-wielding muggers on the subway Thursday afternoon as they traveled to another Queens school for a practice game, officials said yesterday.

The robbers struck one 16-year-old player on the head with a .9-mm handgun and stole his watch and personal stereo, transit police said. Another boy had a \$20 bill stolen before a teammate pulled an emergency-brake cord and scared off the attackers.

The team was traveling without adult supervision to an after-school scrimmage at Newtown High

School in Elmhurst, Queens. The Richmond Hill coach, a teacher at Newtown, was waiting at the school for the boys to arrive.

The attack occurred on the J line as the train was approaching the Archer Avenue station just after 3 p.m., said Lt. Bob Valentino, a transit police spokesman.

Valentino said one of the suspects, a 14-year-old junior high school student, was apprehended by transit police at the scene. The boy, who was not identified because of his age, was charged with first-degree robbery and second-degree assault. The youth who was arrested is the one who used the gun in the assault, Valentino said.

Michael Dobie contributed to this story.

To hear excerpts from radio reports at the scene of the assassination in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963, call (516) 853-5454 from a Touch-Tone phone and enter category No. 3900.

