

HW 8/16/84

While going over records for Theoharis this afternoon I noticed that although ultimately serialized in 89-43 a Jim Bishop record was originally designated for 80-879 by the SAC.

In fact, both of the original copies are designated for two different 80 files, the second appearing to be 943. Another in this series of Bishop records, of which I believe I provided copies to you, has a note on it to make a new 80 file.

Now according to the Central File publication, the field offices do not use NR copies, but here, clearly, they have a similar system. Moreover, the serialized copy, if it is the only such as the FBI's publication represents, is in an incomplete file. The added note states that the list Bishop submitted is in the 80 file.

While I now do not have any clear recollection of it, I believe I went into the field office use of this "laboratory Research Matters" file classification for other and entirely unrelated matters, include what can be regarded by the FBI as delicate.

I know I identified relevant New Orleans 80 files, without response, and now we have proof that Dallas 80 files are relevant and undearched.

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On another matter: this morning I mailed you a fat envelope I got together last evening after writing Huff and when I was a little less than first-rate. Today I got back to that copying, what I did not intend for you but for filing here, and I wondered if I'd made a mistake in what I sent you. So I counted the pages of the enclosures with Huff's 8/6. Aside from what I sent you for Bud from that disclosure, you should have 32 pp. to ~~it~~ have all that Huff sent. If you do not, while there is nothing of great significance, let me know and I'll be sure you have a complete set. Please remind me that the originals are at the very back of Cabinet L-8.

Whatever else the field offices use 80 for, it is apparent that they use it for press contacts and that is why after my request they destroyed all those JFK 80 records in N.O. This is in the case record.

11/28/67

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AUTHOR

On Monday, 11/20/67, Mr. JIM BISHOP and his wife KELLY appeared at the office and discussed with me the book he is going to write about the day President KENNEDY died. He was most appreciative of the accommodations he had had at the Hotel Texas, Ft. Worth, stating that the suite that the late President KENNEDY had used the night before his death had been made available to him gratis by the management. *80-879-102*

He then furnished me with a list, which is attached, of various people that he stated he was going to try to see in Dallas. He stated he did want to talk to SA VINCENT E. DRAIN and me about what we did on the day of the assassination, with particular reference to the securing of the evidence from the Dallas Police Department by SA DRAIN, the time, how it was taken to Washington, and when it arrived in Washington.

On Nov. 22, 1967, Mr. BISHOP and his wife came back to the office and stated they had been having quite a bit of success with everyone they had contacted with the exception of the Dallas Police Department, who had told them they would not give them anything. Mr. BISHOP was furnished information concerning the evidence he requested, which was in pages 159, 160 and 161 of the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING dated 11/30/63 at Dallas, Texas, captioned "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka; ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOV. 22, 1963." The only other information which I furnished was: He wanted to know how I learned that President KENNEDY was shot, and I told him that I had an employee monitoring the police radio. He wanted to know then what I did with the information, and I told him I immediately furnished it to Mr. HOOVER. I also told him that upon receipt of information concerning KENNEDY's death being definitely determined, I furnished this information to Mr. HOOVER.

It is noted he stated that this book would be submitted to Assistant Director DE LOACH prior to publication.

On the morning of 11/24/67, BISHOP called and stated that he and his wife were returning to Florida. He was most appreciative of the assistance which he had received from the Dallas Office. *89-43*

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