

Memorandum

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- 1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
- 1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
- 1 - Mr. A. Rosen

DATE: January 29, 1968

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. DeLoach _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Bishop _____
- Mr. Casper _____
- Mr. Callahan _____
- Mr. Conrad _____
- Mr. Felt _____
- Mr. Gale _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Sullivan _____
- Mr. Tavel _____
- Mr. Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

TO : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

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SUBJECT: JOE PYNE SHOW
SUNDAY EVENING
JANUARY 28, 1968

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The Joe Pyne Show which appeared on Washington TV Station Channel 5 from 10 p.m. to 12 p.m., 1/28/68, had among its guests Edgar Eugene Bradley. New Orleans District Attorney James C. Garrison has charged Bradley with being involved in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Set forth below is a brief summary of data discussed by Bradley and Pyne:

BACKGROUND OF BRADLEY:

appeared on Joe Pyne Show

Edgar Eugene Bradley, North Hollywood, California, is the West Coast representative of Dr. Carl McIntire, the New Jersey radio broadcaster. Dr. McIntire is Pastor of the Bible Presbyterian Church, Collingswood, New Jersey. He has associated himself with the extreme right-wing element in this country and he broadcasts over a chain of several hundred radio stations in this country.

During the past ten years Edgar Eugene Bradley has contacted the Los Angeles Office on numerous occasions furnishing information on individuals he suspected of having communist leanings. He has also volunteered information regarding racial matters and concerning individuals connected with the John Birch Society.

In 1963 he and his associates initiated a "Draft J. Edgar Hoover for President" movement. At the Director's instructions, the Los Angeles Office contacted Bradley and requested that he and his group desist in their efforts to draft the Director as a Presidential candidate.

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BRADLEY'S STATEMENTS ON JOE PYNE SHOW: REC-19

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During his appearance on the Joe Pyne Show, Bradley speculated that Garrison's act in arresting him on the assassination charge may be part of a plot by Garrison and his advisers to get Dr. McIntire off his radio programs. Although Bradley did

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not say so, it appears quite probable that he feels Mark Lane and [Harold Weisberg] both of whom have communist backgrounds and who are in frequent contact with Garrison, are attacking the right-wing philosophy of Dr. McIntire through Garrison.

Bradley claimed he is not involved in the assassination and does not know any of the characters involved in Garrison's probe. He also claimed he never met Lee Harvey Oswald or Jack Ruby. He stated he was on a Greyhound bus traveling between Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and El Paso, Texas, at the time the assassination of President Kennedy took place.

Bradley feels that Garrison has made a mistake in arresting him and is actually interested in Leslie Bradley. Edgar Eugene Bradley had made the same claim to the news media. It is noted that Leslie Bradley has been described as a "soldier of fortune" and in August, 1960, was sentenced to a ten-year prison term in Cuba on a charge that he took part in a plot against the Castro regime. Leslie Bradley was released from a Cuban prison April 22, 1963, among a group of Americans who were released by Castro in exchange for food and medical supplies.

During the program, Edgar Eugene Bradley claimed he was questioned by FBI Agents several years ago concerning a Gene Bradley but that FBI Agents indicated he was not identical to the Gene Bradley. Edgar Eugene Bradley has made a similar statement in the past to news media. A check of Bureau and Los Angeles files and a canvass of Los Angeles personnel handling fugitive matters disclosed no information revealing any contact with Edgar Eugene Bradley concerning one Gene Bradley. At no time during the television program did Edgar Eugene Bradley or Joe Pyne make any derogatory comment relating to the FBI. Bradley indicated that he will clear himself of Garrison's charge but noted that Garrison, to date, has made no effort to have him extradited to New Orleans to face trial.

ACTION:

For information. We have previously furnished information concerning Edgar Eugene Bradley's background and his involvement in the Garrison probe to the White House and to the Attorney General.

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