

Jim Garrison - a future book for someone

6/15/92

When I was getting Dallas and New Orleans field office FBI records and earlier, when I got the FBIHQ JFK assassination records I made duplicate copies of some for separate filing while preserving the originals exactly as I got them save for placing them in file folders and in order. I believe it then was beyond my capabilities to make as many separate files as I'd have liked to make.

There were a fair number of Garrison records in the referrals the FBI sent me years late, under date of 5/11/92. I did make separate copies of them and a separate file of them to be placed in what I call the subject files of these duplicates.

Especially after the Oliver Stone movie making a hero of the charlatan do I think that at some point someone may want to do a book on Garrison. It is for this reason that I write this memo.

While I learned in CA 78-0420, the suit for the New Orleans FBI records, that the FBI did have acknowledged Garrison records it withheld, I also learned that it had some hidden records, at least one separate Garrison file, possibly a tickler, relating to the JFK assassination. The Garrison records it and the CIA disclosed related to his endless new and frequently self-contradictory theories presented as facts. and they are endless!

While retrieval of all the FBI's records of which I did not make copies would be difficult without filing a separate FOIA request for copies of them from FBIHQ and from New Orleans, I think doing this would not be necessary for a book that could still be a definitive case study. I did get both New Orleans papers and I did get copies of some of his interviews that appeared elsewhere, from the Los Angeles Free Press to Playboy, and of some of the TV show transcripts. I also made some notes on some of them.

Dave Wrone also has the Jennifer White clippings. They are mounted and much easier to handle. I was not able to mount mine. They include the San Francisco area papers and whatever Jim White got from the AP wire plus other things.

I did not make copies of Garrison's records, as most other did, in part because my interest in New Orleans was in learning more about Oswald, as to a degree I did, and in part because I believed it wrong. I also then had no interest in the nutty stuff and I foolishly believed that with his wildness Garrison was, as he said, fighting fire with fire. But Bud Fensterwald did copy them extensively and the copies he made should be in the Assassination Archives and Research Center files.

I did make a few separate files. On Boxley only when Ivon and Sciambra asked me to try to prevent what they had not been able to prevent, his wild planned commemoration of the JFK assassination's fifth anniversary by charging Edgar Eugene Bradley and Robert Lee Perrin with being Grassy Knoll assassins. Some of this in my separate Oliver Stone file. I did not keep copies of all that Ivon and Sciambra gave me to help me relating to the Perrin angle, I noted in searching at the Oliver Stone time but the essence of them is I think in the memo I prepared with which Sciambra confronted Garrison resulting in his abandoning his insane ploy and firing Boxley as his face-saver.

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Memorandum

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TO : Mr. D. J. Brennan, Jr.

DATE: 3/6/67

FROM : S. J. Papich

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SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN
FITZGERALD KENNEDY, 11/22/63,
DALLAS, TEXAS

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Title 50
USC, Section 403g
per CIA

[redacted] CIA furnished the following
to the Liaison Agent on 3/2/67: (S) (U)

CIA has not had any operational interest in
any of the following individuals at any time:

Sergio Arcacha Smith
David William Ferrie
Gordon Dwane Novel.

[redacted] made available the enclosed copy of
a communication dated 3/30/61, captioned "Friends of
Democratic Cuba," which previously had been disseminated
to the Bureau. [redacted] was calling this item to our attention
in connection with the foregoing. (S) (U)

ACTION:

The above information and enclosure are being
directed to the attention of the Soviet Section.

- 1 - Mr. Branigan (Goble)
- 1 - Mr. Wannall
- 1 - Liaison
- 1 - Mr. Papich

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

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21 JUN 1967

TO : Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Attention: Mr. S.J. Papich

SUBJECT: Garrison Investigation: ~~Rene CARBALLO~~

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Cuban Refugee

Feeding them

*For Bill
Wann
(re controls)*

1. Reference is made to an FBI report of 12 May 1967 from the New Orleans office. The report concerns principally Carlos BRINGUIER and Carlos QUIROGA. It also provides information on Subject, who was said by BRINGUIER to have telephoned him on 10 May 1967 and to have said that he was conducting his own investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy. CARBALLO is said to have attempted to question BRINGUIER concerning any contacts with the FBI. BRINGUIER also formed the impression that CARBALLO tape-recorded their conversation and that he may be working for District Attorney James GARRISON.

2. We have only one possible or promising trace on a Rene CARBALLO who may or may not be identical with the man who telephoned BRINGUIER. FBI report MM 105-3348 28 May 1965, Miami office, lists a number of Cuban intelligence operatives. One of these is a Rene CARBALLO (or CABALLO), reported as second chief of Cuban G-2 in Sancti Spiritus, Las Villas. We have no reason, other than the identity of names and the fact that BRINGUIER's report suggests possible intelligence experience on the part of his caller, to consider the subjects of the two reports identical.

3. We should be grateful for any clarification or additional information regarding subject.

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Garrison Interview

ASSASSINATION of President Kennedy

Moscow TASS International Service in English: 0720 GMT 18 March 1967--L

(Text) New Orleans, 17 March--TASS special correspondent--New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison was interviewed today by TASS correspondent S. Losay and NOVOSTI correspondent J. Borvik before the close of the preliminary hearing of Clay Shaw's case.

Garrison told correspondents that he was as sure now as he was two weeks ago when he first said that the question of the existence of a plot to assassinate President Kennedy had been settled. He said that he felt sure that it was only a matter of time and effort to bring the matter to conclusion.

When asked by the correspondents whether he still adhered to his former opinion that no foreign state had anything to do with the plot, the New Orleans district attorney replied that undoubtedly no foreign government had even the slightest connection with the plot against President Kennedy.

Garrison believes that the plot which was hatched in New Orleans was not originally directed against the U.S. President but, like a rocket, went out of control and hit a quite different target.

The Soviet correspondents asked Garrison whether he still held the opinion once expressed by him to correspondents, that there was no reason to believe that Oswald assassinated anyone in Dallas on 22 November 1963. In his reply Garrison said that he had been misinterpreted by the correspondents when he said that it was not Oswald who pulled the trigger in Dallas. He said that he had not been referring merely to a rifle shot. The district attorney said that it was still early to talk of what happened then in Dallas because the plot and assassination were very cleverly organized and skillfully camouflaged.

When asked whether he was going to make other arrests, Garrison replied that there would be many more but not in the near future. He emphasized that not a single murder case had remained unsolved since his appointment as district attorney.

At the conclusion of the interview District Attorney Jim Garrison said that in a later stage of the investigation he would ask for the assistance of the investigating agencies of other states and the federal authorities. But, for the time being, he said that he was not going to transfer the investigation to anyone. The district attorney said that this was not a dog-in-the-manger attitude. He said that he was ready to report everything he knows when he feels that the people coming to his assistance do so with an open heart. Garrison stressed that competent agencies should understand that there are still many outstanding questions. However, their process of understanding is somewhat slow, he said.

GRONYKO RECEIVES SIERRA LEONE AMBASSADOR

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Moscow TASS International Service in English 1049 GMT 21 March 1967

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(Text) Moscow March--Soviet Foreign Minister Andrey Gromyko today received the ambassador of Sierra Leone, Harrison T. Tucker, in connection with his forthcoming presentation of credentials to the president of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet.

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