

MEMORANDUM

February 8, 1967

TO: JIM GARRISON, DISTRICT ATTORNEY

FROM: LYNN LOISEL, INVESTIGATOR

RE: INTERVIEW WITH MRS. CARIDAD WILLIAMS, W/F 46,  
4310 D'Hemecourt Street, Telephone 482-3554

Formerly resided: 828 N. Atlanta St., Kenner, La.

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On Wednesday, February 1, 1967, at 10:30 A.M., Investigator Lynn Loisel spoke with CARIDAD WILLIAMS in his office in regard to her past and Latin type associates.

CARIDAD told Loisel that she has been in the United States for approximately 25 years. She stated that she lived in Savannah, Georgia and Tampa, Florida. She lived in these two states for approximately the first five years of her entry into the United States, and that she had lived in New Orleans for the past 20 years. She said that she is an American Citizen and has been since the late 1940's when she married PERCY WILLIAMS from whom she is now divorced.

CARIDAD stated that PERCY WILLIAMS is a seaman and sails for Valentine Company out of New Orleans; that he sails on a ship called the Petro Caine; and that he is gone from 4 to 6 months at a time.

CARIDAD stated that she had lived at 828 N. Atlanta Street in Kenner for about the last six years, but had to move about 8 months ago when her husband told her he was going to divorce her and stopped sending her an allotment check. She stated that a real estate agent helped her get rid of the house, and that she got \$2,000.00 for it, and that someone assumed the house.

Loisel questioned CARIDAD as to Latin acquaintances and she stated that she knew very few Latins, and that she hated Latin type people.

Loisel showed her a picture of ARCACHA SMITH and she stated that she did not know him. She was then shown a picture of MIGUEL TORRES and she denied knowing him. She was then asked if she had ever eaten at TORRES' family restaurant on Arabella Street and she denied that she had ever been there. At this time she told Loisel again that she doesn't know but a few Latins and doesn't want to know them.

Loisel asked CARIDAD if she had ever been arrested and she hesitated and said yes. She was asked what for and she said stealing out of a department store.

Loisel asked CARIDAD if she had ever been to the La Lune Bar on Constantinople and Constance Streets, and if she had ever danced with the owner, FRANK CASTRO, and if FRANK CASTRO had ever driven her home when she lived on N. Atlanta Street. She stated that she had never been at this location and didn't know FRANK CASTRO. She was then asked if she had ever gone out with any young men, students from Tulane or Loyola Universities. She stated no, that she hadn't.

She was asked if she went out in the last five years and she stated no, that she stays in her house with her mother and never goes out. Loisel told her at this time that he didn't believe that she was telling the truth, and that she must have a boyfriend.

CARIDAD then told Loisel that she had a boyfriend, that she was going to marry and that he lived in her house and that he gave her \$50.00 a week for room and board. She stated that his name is JOE D. AREILLO and that he works at a Chevrolet warehouse on the Jefferson Highway. She stated that he is of the Latin type, but is an American citizen, and speaks perfect English.

At this time Louie Ivon and Mr. Garrison walked in and started interviewing CARIDAD. Mr. Garrison showed her numerous pictures of Latin type males and asked her if she knew any of the names he asked her. State stated "No".

Loisel at this time went to the Bureau of Identification and checked the arrest file. Her arrest number is 117-525 and she was arrested on December 22, 1964 for theft and possession of merchandise valued at \$177.25 from Maison Blanche.

Loisel then returned to Mr. Garrison and Louis Ivon and CARIDAD. Loisel then showed the picture to Mr. Garrison. A short while later, Mr. Garrison and Lou Ivon left Ivon's office.

Loisel once again asked CARIDAD if she knew MIGUEL TORRES, and she told Loisel that she did. She said that she didn't want to get involved in anything because she is going to get married. She told Loisel that she used to go to the TORRES' restaurant and eat, and that her ex-husband, PERCY WILLIAMS, used to ship out with MIGUEL'S father. She said that TORRES was in the penitentiary for dope and that he was a bad man. She stated that he caused the death of ANGELA SILVA. Loisel asked CARIDAD if she had ever made a play or was interested in TORRES at one time. She denied it. She stated again that ANGELA was MIGUEL'S first cousin, but that he used to make her hustle for him and that he beat her and got her addicted to narcotics.

Loisel then asked her about her going out with young men and she stated that she had, and the man she went out with before her present boyfriend was JUAN D. DIOS MAYORAL. She stated that she had gone out with a couple of other young men at different times.

Loisel then asked CARIDAD about the owner of the La Lune Bar and she admitted being in the La Lune recently

and that some man drove her home, but that she didn't know his name.

Loisel then showed CARIDAD the pictures of ARCACHA SMITH, and others that Mr. Garrison had shown to her and she still denied knowing any of them. Loisel asked her several times if she was telling the truth and she said "Yes".

Loisel drove CARIDAD to her house, later on in the day after she had been questioned by ALBERTO FOWLER.

Loisel again questioned her as to the pictures that he had shown her, but to no avail.

LYNN LOISEL, INVESTIGATOR

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