

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date November 27, 1963

ROBERT LAWRENCE HELLER, 4703 Freret Street, advised he resides in the upstairs apartment at this address and has a telephone number 899-8631. He advised that at this time he is employed part time with television station WYES and also Motion Picture Advertising, 1032 Carondelet Street. HELLER stated that he is not personally acquainted with LEE HARVEY OSWALD as he has never met this individual, however, some time during the month of August, 1963, he was at the location on Canal and Carondelet Streets when he observed OSWALD handing out leaflets for Fair Play for Cuba. At this time he observed that OSWALD was being "pushed around" by several male individuals he identified as Cubans and that these individuals were actually taking the leaflets from OSWALD and destroying same and causing a considerable disturbance. As a result of this disturbance, OSWALD was arrested by the New Orleans Police Department and he believes was taken to jail. HELLER advised that he is unable to give the specific date of OSWALD's arrest at this time but believes this can be checked with the New Orleans Police Department. He is of the opinion that this was some time during the month of August, 1963.

As a result of this arrest he contacted attorney JACK NELSON and advised him of OSWALD's predicament because he felt OSWALD would probably be needing an attorney in this instance. He advised that he is not aware of what action, if any, NELSON may have taken in connection with OSWALD. HELLER advised that this was the only occasion he has ever seen OSWALD and has no further information as far as OSWALD is concerned.

HELLER advised that he is not acquainted with any of the following individuals:

JACK RUBY
O. H. LEE
A. J. HIDELL

on 11/27/63 at New Orleans, Louisiana File # NO 44-2064
SAs JAMES E. SCHMIDT, JR. and NO 89-69
by Special Agent DEAN S. LYTHE :SMS Date dictated 11/27/63

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Mrs. J. F. MORTON, Alumni Association Office, 6319 Willow Street, Tulane University, revealed the following information from her records regarding ROBERT LAWRENCE HELLER.

ROBERT LAWRENCE HELLER attended Tulane University during the period September, 1959, through May, 1963, at which time he was requested to leave because of academic deficiencies. HELLER's parents were identified as A. D. HELLER, Marlborough Court, Rockville Centre, New York. Records disclosed last known address on HELLER to be 8141 Maple Street.

Mrs. LINDA KAMPEN, 8141 Maple Street, upstairs apartment, advised that BOB HELLER previously resided at this address in the downstairs apartment and is presently residing at 4703 Freret Street, upstairs apartment. She advised that she is not acquainted with any of the friends or associates of BOB HELLER.

CD205, pp.766-7. Oswald's literature distribution. Robert Lawrence Heller

My recollection may be in error, but I think I recall documents on Heller in CD75. I had not established a Heller file, had this data with me on my last trip to NO, but never had a chance to follow it or several other leads.

Is it not conspicuous that this report does not indicate Heller was shown any pictures of the Trade Mart distribution? Particularly when he appears to have observed closely, to have been concerned over Oswald although not knowing him, and when others indicate an unidentified man was then with him and bore a strong resemblance to an unidentified man of whom the FBI asked other witnesses who did not identify him. This report does not indicate anyone was with Oswald.

What is present is data that could be used to undermine Heller's credibility, which makes him a more interesting person. It is for this reason, in part, that I had intended to look him up. Perhaps the incomplete New York address is sufficient to locate him. Can you try?