

Possible opening for The King Conspiracies

The assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., is an unsolved crime, and the FBI knows it.

The FBI's sole candidate for assassin, James Earl Ray, could not have committed the crime, did not, and the FBI knows these things, too.

He was not at the scene of the crime, as the FBI knew, while representing otherwise.

The crime was not even committed as itx said, knowing better.

Control is the name of the FBI's game. By controlling and manipulating behind the scenes, its standard practise in political matters, It "solved" the crime and at the same time succeeded in transferring its responsibilities, its assassination of truth, to local authorities, whose standards of ethics, morlaity, decency and justice were equal to those of the FBI.

In order to control the case, the FBI entered it without any authority. Except under a condition it claimed did not exist, it had no jurisdiction. That precondition is a conspiracy to violate the Civil Rights Act. The FBI claimed there was no conspiracy, but on the eve of its filing a defedal civil-rights charge against Ray, It alleged a conspiracy, based on its own bad joke. Because it cou.ãd not assume that it could contról the United States Attorney in Memphis, Tennessee, where King was assassination, it filed the charge in Birmingham, Alabama, where no crime was committed.

Its once-secret internal records, thosands of pages of which I have, disclose that its reason for not filing in Memphis is that the United States Attorney could not be trusted. In Birmingham, the FBI had a rubber stamp.

How much an automatic rubber stamp is revealed in the sole basis for the quintessential conspiracy charge required for federal jurisdiction: that Ray had

the latter because that is in open court and is subject to cross examination) which these unquestioning lawyers know is false. For ordinary people, this involves two serious crimes, felonies, perjury and subornation of perjury when the false swearing is material to what is at issue.

My personal experience in these matters is extensive. My copies of the litigation records only in these FOIA cases against the FBI take up more than a full file cabinet.

In each and every one of these many lawsuits I proved FBI perjury. Not a single court paid any attention to it, with one exception: Judge John Pratt told my lawyer and me that we could catch more flies with honey than with vinegar and then promptly ignored the proven perjury and presided over the FBI's suppression of the rest of the FBI's records in that ~~case, which was~~ lawsuit, which was for the results of the scientific testing in its files on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. (I put it this way because the FBI never investigated the assassinations and Ray, themselves, not of the President and not of King. It investigated Oswald, its lone presumed assassin, ~~and Ray~~)

Difficult as these charges may be for those who know the FBI by its own publicity, they are actually understated. I make them on the basis of my study of more than a third of a million pages of its once-secret files - its estimate of 1979, and I've obtained additional significant records since then - all disgorged only after years and years of the most costly and painful litigation. Facsimiles of these records, disclosed to me as a result, appear in this book. Those for which there is no space I cite by their FBI file numbers. They are far and away the most numerous records in the 60 file cabinets of information, most once-secret government records the disclosure of which I compelled in this litigation, that are the evidentiary base of this book.

One of the more gratifying aspects of my study of these secret FBI records is the fact that they confirm my personal investigations in Memphis.

been heard to day that he was going hunting with his brother in Wisconsin.

(Use facsimiles on conspiracy charge, USA Memphis and B'ham.)

There was a conspiracy, but Ray was not the assassin in this conspiracy.

Conspiracy is a combination to do what the law says is wrong. It requires no more than two persons and a single step in implementation of the crime.

The FBI knew the crime was beyond the capacity of any one man.

It also knew, long before it filed its conspiracy charge, that all of its scientific tests exculpated Ray. So, it merely lied about and misrepresented each and every one of these tests.

Until I compelled their disclosure to me by suing the FBI (Civil Action 75-1996, Federal District Court, Washington, D.C., under the Freedom of Information Act or FOIA) Even the actual results of these FBI laboratory tests were secret. They were not used in the Ray prosecution.

I made these FBI Lab reports, which until now have never been published, available to all the media at a press conference I held in Washington as soon as I obtained them, in early 1976. I gave copies to those who asked for them, including CBS News, which did not use them in a "special" it was then working on. Its ~~own~~ preconception coincided with that ~~of~~ of the FBI.

~~So strongly did the FBI resist any disclosure~~

The FBI resisted any disclosure so fiercely that lawsuit was stonewalled for a decade. It was successful in perpetuating some of its secrecy. Some of its pertinent record remain secret, law or no law, simply because the FBI can get away with violating the law time it wants to, and it does.

When it has the interest it has the determination, and when it has the determination it has the power, and it gets away with anything.

Judges fear it and tolerate incredible abuses by the FBI and its Department of Justice lawyers, who lie to the courts regularly and without qualm or question provide the courts with false affidavits and live testimony only infrequently the latter

First, in early 1971, I published Frame-Up: The Martin Luther King-James Earl Ray Case (Outerbridge ~~xx~~ & Dinestfrey, a subsidiary of E.P. Dutton), and then, as Ray's investigator, I conducted two investigations. The first was for his habeas corpus petition, ~~xxxx~~ Based on this investigation, with litigation all the way to the Supreme Court by pro bono, unpaid counsel, it succeeded. (I also was unpaid, Ray was penniless.) Then against the might, power and influence of the State of Tennessee, backstopped by the FBI, I conducted the investigation for the evidentiary hearing that followed and lasted for two weeks beginning the middle of September, in Memphis, in 1973. Ray lost, with none of the evidence of my investigation or the witnesses I produce rebutted, when ~~the~~ Federal District Judge Robert McRae, regarded as a liberal by local standards because he had issued a school desegregation order, holding that in his effort to be tried after a coerced guilty plea, Ray's guilt or innocence was immaterial.

He actually did, literally. (Cite and quote from decision)

Most of the major media covered the ~~trial~~ trial. It reported the exculpatory evidence and the utter destruction of the case against Ray, but it was content with McRae's decision.

FBI

Any investigation of King's assassination confronted it with a conflict of interest it could not shed. This is because of the enormous campaign ~~against~~ it had waged against the "black messiah" for all of his life as a preacher and civil-rights leader. As King grew in understanding and dimension, the FBI's efforts to ruin him, which included trying to get him to kill himself, multiplied. That the FBI did wage this campaign against him was reported, finally, including those elements of the media which had uncritically accepted and reports the FBI's leaks of vicious defamations of him. But the magnitude of this campaign, its astronomical cost, was never indicated until, after two years of effort in court, it was compelled to disclose to me its incomplete inventory of the files relating to this in its 59 field offices only. ~~They cover 402 pages~~

This inventory totals 402 pages!

And this does not include the vast accumulations in FBI Headquarters or those of its foreign offices, (which it refers to as "Legal Attaches" or "LEGSTs.")

Even thne then, thks is an incomplete inventory. It is limited to what the FBI refers to as its "main" files on King and his family, ~~xx~~ organi ation and associates. It doesnot include other files, the multitudinous other records it has on him which it calls "see" references (also in "see also").

J. Edgar/~~s~~ Hoover's word was law in the FBI. Nobody questioned him or it and survived. He hated King, regarded King as subversive, and all his FBI underlings regarded anything they could do to King as the ultimate in patriotism.

The FBI top hierarchy and all the underlings regarded Hoover and the FBI as omnisient. This selfOc self-concept is regarded in jits abbreviation for itself, used at FBIHQ and in the filed offices in written references to the FBI. It was SOG in its modest self-description, SOG representing "Seat of Giberment," which not uncommonly was spelled out.

Dear Dave,

7/3/83

Sunday mornings I reserve for special sinning. As distinguished from ordinary but similar sinning. Sunday mornings I am at a nearby restaurant, usually with the Post, when it opens at 7. They have goods coffee, a nonon, good eggs and ~~meat~~ badon, also a nono, and ordinary white bread, which "il regards a nutritionally starved and never has i n the house but I enjoy, with good butter, which I need liide an extra hole in the head. What makes Sunday special is that I lack the excuse I have the ~~tax~~ other days I do the same thing, when it is after the Lab takes my blood and before its has the results of the tests.

This morning I was listening to the weekend jazz program I like on American U's station, on my beautiful neckband stereo with headphones and reading until time to leave, then the same monorally in the car. Puts me in a good mood, always. At breakfast I read only the sports section. But on the short trip home, less than 10 minutes that time of day, my mind -- and I don't know why -- turned to The King Conspiracies and I got a new idea for how to begin it. So, at home, after finishing with the paper, I sat down and without stopping crafted the enclosed, which I'll file without reading now.

The time will come when I'll return to this book.

For now I want only to get your reaction.

If and when you have time. No rush.

I think I'm gradually working my way out of the FOIA litigation and I hope Jim has kept his word and completed his review and summarization of the field offices cases. (I've not heard from him since the early part of the week.) Maybe thinking of this is what turned me to King.

I don't want even to try to write as long as there is any possibility of having to turn my mind onto affidavits or anything else in the litigation. I'm not up to it now.

Writing also is different for me now. If I don't get up and walk around every 20 minutes or so I have trouble walking and can't walk anything near naturally for a while. This also is uncomfortable, impairs circulation, and intrudes upon concentration. With the morning time out for my walking therapy, there isn't much left of the normal working day and that, when I'm writing, I do not want intruded upon.

I'd probably have difficulty getting back to my thoughts, too.

I've been thinking of the new material for WW reprint, too. I had that all in mind and was about to write it when LaHais again raised his ugly head and all of that is now out of mind. I think about it from time to time, but what I then planned has remained away from my thinking. But it'll come back. Some of the general idea I do recall, ~~but~~ but not exactly how I planned to write it.

Nothing else new, except that the days are sticky and over 90 and by 11 last night it was still 80. First time we've had to use an airconditioner at night since before my first surgery. (I can date things this way.) But I don't recall how long before. Fortunately, I'd had doubts about the input of the airconditioner for the kitchen and livingroom, had a service call, and they returned it, with a repair charge of almost \$100, two days before it got this hot.

Nothing else new. Hope all is well with you and yours.