

8/18/66

Dear Sylgia,

Thanks for the note on Joesten. I'd heard reports of this work. Peter Kihss told me it was fantasy. I, of course, know nothing of it of my own knowledge. I was also told yesterday of a radio report the day before that he had been arrested in Switzerland and had charged that the FBI and VIA were responsible.

Odd about the unending violation of the statistics. Now Bowers. Why not start a World Serious pool on who is next?

There has recently been sign of Big but not Brotherly interest of a possibly quite serious nature which I cannot yet really evaluate.

Willis wants only \$50.00 for his rights. When I sent him a check for a single set of slides and some prints he sent me two sets of slides, no prints, and no refund or offer of refund, and says no prints have any legal right to exist or be used.

Sincerely,

Copy of information received 8/11/66

Joachim Joesten released for the press a statement on July 25, 1966, in which he accused Lyndon B. Johnson of "having usurped presidential power in November 1963 by backing the conspiracy to assassinate his predecessor, President John F. Kennedy."

Joesten is releasing (starting August 1966) the first of a series of seven books in English detailing Oswald's role as "a spy for the CIA." "Later, back home again, Oswald became a stool-pigeon and agent provocateur for the FBI..."

"These books will be available, by subscription only, to scholars, Congressmen, political leaders and other qualified persons...the price of this advance edition will be \$30 a copy...or \$200 for the entire set. No prepayment is required from subscribers. Copies will be billed when shipped. Address all subscriptions ~~xxx~~ Joachim Joesten, 7891 Gurtweil, Germany."

BULLETIN: (Received 8/15/66) "Bowers dead. Car hit bridge abutment two miles west of Midlothian August 9, 1966, 11 a.m. Same type of 'accident' as Whaley's." (See pages 30-32 of Rush to Judgment, re: Lee Bowers.)