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Dear Howard (PH, JNS),

Paul has gotten CD256:1-10 which I'd like you to remember when you come here in a week or two. I have it filed under Oswald, Russian Language. Briefly, it is a series of FBI reports of interviews at a number of Russian-language places, schools, papers, social, etc., in the Phila area, centered around 23 and Snyder (PH, JNS, deep in South Philadelphia) and in the downtown business area. They are identified as names and address in LHO's possession. I am pretty certain these are all in his pocket notebook, toward the back. I remember wondering what in the hell he was doing with such addresses in Phila. long ago.

PH thinks he could have gotten the data from a phone book. Possible, but I think unlikely and illogical.

If you were not so busy now I'd send this. But when you are here you can take them if you think you can carry it any further.

One of the interesting things to me is that the FBI took so long-end December- to do any checking on this. It is the kind of thing that would ordinarily have flagged their interest. One possible explanation is that they know such things are anti-Communist, and that they didn't like to find in his notebook.

My hunch is that he had some purpose in mind and just didn't do anything with the project.

If LHO had access to a Phila phonebook, he'd not have found all these things listed under "Russian". It would have taken a bit of searching.

PH-I did not have pp. 1-3.

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