

Oswald in New Orleans-FBI inv of to Paul and Gary, HW 2/14 70

CD405 is a New Orleans file. Toward the end it seems to deal with Oswald and the CAP, but is is, actually, a hidden Ferrie file, with obtuse references of a seemingly neutral nature, as when he was asked about others. Following these Ferrie-CAP pages is the last, 24. I got it and have it filed as above if either you want it. It says the following investigation was conducted by Eich Logen and then says that he interviewed Miss Carolyn Estrade, of the Tulane housing office 1/21.

Presumably in response to his questions, asked for no reason set forth or even indicated, she told him that Monroe Hall was just completed 6/63, and that the 9th floor, on which Rooms 966, 974 and 976 are located, was not yet occupied because there was no air conditioning. There was ready access to it and to phone extension 276.

The same day he saw Mrs. Nancy McReynolds, Communications Coordinator, who confirmed the foregoing and added that "she often saw lights on that and other unoccupied floors" then and "assumed unauthorized persons were using the extensions on those floors...to make long distance calls without interruption and if possible without paying for them...building too large for one person to watch." It apparently is a dormitory.

Now this is an Oswald file. There is nothing else in it, and it is not a large file. So I wonder what connection the FBI found in Tulane extension 276 and him. Or those who might have been connected with him.

They did not pick, of all the Tulane extensions, this one, entirely at random, and they did not, by accident, find a partially-completed building where there could be unauthorized and undetected phone use. Or other, for that matter.

Does anyone have any idea what their interest in Extension 276 was or might have been?

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The following investigation was conducted by
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On January 21, 1964, Miss CAROLYN ESTRADÉ, Tulane University Housing Office, New Orleans, advised that Monroe Hall was just completed in June of 1963 and the 9th floor, on which rooms 966, 974 and 976 are located, was not occupied during the summer of 1963. She said that anyone in the building or on the campus could have gone to the 9th floor to use extension 276 and it would be impossible to locate any specific person who did.

On January 21, 1964, Mrs. NANCY MC REYNOLDS, Communications Coordinator at Tulane University, advised her records show that extension 276 was installed on the 9th floor of Monroe Hall after it was completed during the summer of 1963 but due to the fact that the air-conditioning was not installed on that floor, it was not occupied during the summer. She said she often saw lights on that and other unoccupied floors of Monroe Hall, in the evening during the summer of 1963 so she assumed unauthorized persons were using the extensions on those floors. She said the purpose of this would be to make long distance calls without interruption and if possible without paying for them. Mrs. MC REYNOLDS explained that the building is too large for one person to watch and therefore anyone could gain entrance to Monroe Hall and could have used extension 276 whether they lived in Monroe Hall or somewhere else on the campus.