

1. Get memo of 11/25/63 by Saic L.M. Benavides, San Antonio of interview with Mrs. John Q. Tarsikes of San Antonio.
2. Get original photograph of Garner exhibit No. 1 in Volume XX. According to Eric Rogers the possibility is that this photograph has been altered.
3. Look for second unidentified man handing out leaflets in the Rush film.

Sn - Anthony G...
Hall Steele Jr 11/27/63
right.

SYNOPSIS

Photographs and film clips of Oswald and two other subjects passing out Fair Play For Cuba Committee circulars in New Orleans on 8/16/63 were obtained from local television stations WWL and WDSU and furnished interested officers. Charles Hall Steele, Jr., was identified as being one of the subjects. The other subject had not been identified. Steele was interviewed 11/27/63 and he stated that Oswald had contacted him at an employment office and paid him \$2.00 for passing out the circulars. He said he saw Oswald on only the one occasion.

11/27/63
Steele
interviewed
Oswald
paid \$2.00

with 3 men
Steele
Jr
of New
Orleans
photo

Tape recording, and also a transcript, of debate on WDSU Radio, New Orleans, on 8/21/63, involving Oswald, et al, furnished Chief's office on 12/2/63.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

Reference is made to previous reports in this case, particularly report dated 11/25/63 by SAIC - L.M. BENAVIDES, San Antonio. In my memorandum to SAIC BENAVIDES, dated 11/26/63.

On 11/24/63 this office obtained from Mr. Johann Rush, photographer WDSU Television (Channel 6), New Orleans, photograph of Oswald and an unidentified companion handing out Fair Play For Cuba Committee circulars in front of the International Trade Mart, New Orleans, Louisiana on August 16, 1963.

In accordance with telephonic instructions from Inspector Thomas J. Kelley at Dallas, Texas, the above-mentioned photograph was sent to SAIC L. M. BENAVIDES, San Antonio, the evening of 11/25/63 by Delta and Eastern Airlines pilots to be exhibited to Mrs. John Q. (O) Tarsikes, San Antonio, who is referred to in SAIC BENAVIDES' report dated November 25, 1963. Mrs. Tarsikes said that the subject in the photograph in question was not the same young man she had seen in the television scene initially carried on W W L -TV (Channel 4), New Orleans; and it was requested that photographs of the W W L -TV film depicting Oswald and another young man passing out circulars be obtained.

Subsequently this office obtained from W W L - TV (Channel 4), photographs of Oswald and another young man passing out circulars, and it was ascertained on 11/26/63 from the local FBI office that this young man is CHARLES HALL STEELE, Jr., son of a local deputy sheriff, who resides with his parents at 1488 Madrid Street. Steele, having heard that his photograph had been shown on a television program, contacted the FBI office, and with his father, visited the office and was interviewed. Steele told FBI agents that he had been approached by Oswald at an employment office in New Orleans and was offered \$2.00 to pass out the circulars; that he stopped passing out circulars when he discovered the content of the material; and that he saw Oswald on only the one occasion.

This report
and photos
sent to SAIC BENAVIDES
11/25/63
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on W W L -TV
on 11/25/63

11/24/63
Johann Rush
photographer
WDSU-TV

Mrs. John Q. (O) Tarsikes
SAIC BENAVIDES' report

Steele +
HARRIS
to be added
to the
copy of
this
report.

Steele is undoubtedly the same young man whom Mrs. Tarsikes, of San Antonio, alleged she saw in the televised scene where the assassination occurred. Steele advised, and his father verified, that he had not been away from New Orleans and was not in Dallas on the date of the assassination.

A few days prior to 12/2/63, Carlos Bringuier, anti-Castro Cuban, mentioned paragraph 5, page 2 of this report, delivered to this office a tape recording of a debate involving Oswald, Bringuier, Mr. Ed Butler, of the Information Council of the Americas, and Bill Stuckey, reporter of the States-Item Newspaper, New Orleans, which was broadcast on 8/21/63 over W D S U Radio, New Orleans. Bringuier advised that he was in the process of obtaining a transcript of the debate and would deliver same to this office the following day. On 12/2/63 Mr. Bringuier advised by telephone that Mr. Arnesto Rodriguez, Jr., who operates the Modern Language Institute, 1208 St. Charles Street, New Orleans, had a copy of the transcript. Mr. Rodriguez was contacted this same date by SA Roger D. Counts and he agreed to furnish us with three Verifax copies of transcript, stating that he was in the process of translating same in Spanish.

At approximately 4 o'clock p.m. (CST) on 12/2/63, Deputy Chief Paul J. Paterni advised by telephone that information had been received in Chief's office this date indicating that Mr. Arnesto Rodriguez, mentioned above, had a tape recording of the debate in question. Deputy Chief Paterni was informed that we had the tape and that Arnesto Rodriguez was in the process of preparing copies of the transcript. It was requested that the tape, and copy of transcript be sent to SAIC Robert I. Bouck, Protective Research Section, as soon as possible by an airline pilot.

The tape, together with copy of transcript, was delivered by SA Roger D. Counts on 12/2/63 to the Captain of Eastern Airlines Flight #526, which departed New Orleans at 6:40 p.m., to be picked up at Dulles Airport, Washington, D. C., by SA of the Protective Research Section upon arrival at 9:58 p.m., SAIC Bouck having been previously advised by telephone of the method of delivery.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

All phases of the investigation conducted by the New Orleans Office prior to receipt of Chief's memorandum dated December 9, 1963, have now been reported.

The case remains open in this office pending completion of additional investigation as requested in report dated 12/12/63 by SA Gary R. Seales, Dallas.