

making the trip, and therefore that no evil purpose existed, at least initially, for their joint venture.

(28) The day of their departure for New Orleans, Ray took Stein, his sister, Rita, and their cousin Marie Martin to Wallace campaign headquarters on Lankershim Boulevard. Contrary to Ray's assertions, the three Stein relatives were unanimous in their statements that Ray initiated the trip to campaign headquarters. (20) Charles recalled that Ray offered to pay for the expenses on the trip if all three would agree to sign up with the Wallace campaign, and added that he agreed readily. In light of Stein's clearly apolitical nature, and the total absence of any other evidence linking Stein and the AIP, his denial of involvement in the original decision to visit AIP headquarters was entirely credible.

(29) After completing their visit to AIP headquarters, Ray drove Rita and Marie back to 5666 Franklin Avenue and dropped them off. Ray and Stein then drove to Ray's residence on Serrano Street and stopped very briefly to pick up mail. Stein did not enter the apartment then or at any other time.

(30) Stein recalled that Ray was definitely going to New Orleans for reasons of his own and that he was not making the trip merely to accommodate Rita. Ray mentioned that he was going to see more than one person—either engineers or contractors. While Ray gave no specific address for the meeting (other than a reference to Chartres Street, which Stein cannot recall precisely), Ray's description of the area brought to Stein's mind a specific location containing warehouses and railroad tracks. (21) Stein felt that Ray's reference to the meeting place in New Orleans reflected a certain familiarity with the city.

(31) Stein thought that Ray may have told him that he called New Orleans, in advance, to let them know when he would arrive. (22) This call was made after Ray pulled off the road outside of Houston, Tex. Stein recalled a liquor store and a candy store in the vicinity. Stein was never close enough to Ray to observe the number he dialed, or the amount of money he may have used, or to hear the conversation. He stated that he observed Ray make phone calls on only one or two occasions and that the calls never lasted more than 5 or 10 minutes. In his testimony during committee hearings, Ray admitted making one call to his brother, Jerry, while en route to New Orleans. (23)

(32) Stein also stated, several times during his initial interview, that he recalled Ray mentioning the name Raoul. Stein was confronted, during this initial interview, with an FBI interview which reflected his statement that the person he [Ray] was going to see—[had] an Italian-sounding name—a well-known name in New Orleans. (24) Stein agreed that Raoul was not Italian sounding, and stated that perhaps he was dodging the FBI's questions.

(33) Because of the clear significance of this portion of Stein's interview, Stein was asked again about this matter during his testimony under oath before the committee in April 1978. At that time he was also confronted with a February 13, 1969, FBI interview in which he had been asked specifically whether Ray had mentioned a Raoul at any time during their relationship. Stein's response, as summarized in the FBI interview: "Stein said he had never heard Ray mention anyone by the name of Raoul during his contacts with Ray." (25)

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