

To Jim Garrison from Harold Weisberg 4/12/68

Kerry Thornley

From several men who knew him I learned that Thornley had an interest in an attractive Latin waitress who worked at Carlos Castillo's.

She now seems to be working at the Alpine.

Thornley being what he is, there is a chance that, given the recollection, she might have interesting things to say. I do not ~~expect~~ expect to be able to get to see her this trip.

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I have started another memo including conversation, taped, with Jack Burnside. About Kings: he now says that he was there at the time in question in 1963 only because red beans and rice were 50¢, that the someone who pointed Oswald out was not Kerry Thornley. He was vague ~~was~~ about the time until we pushed him, when he placed it at about September 1.

He says he spent a couple of hours with Kerry and his lawyer, as Barbara understood it, but he recalls nothing of significance either said, a rather long time for nothing.

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Again he dropped in at Barbara's last night, I had taken Dion there. No question her because Barbara would be there and because Jack Working would undoubtedly drop in. He did. George Higginbotham was there when we arrived, without having announced my intention earlier. We stayed in the house for a while, then I took her to the Seven Seas for a drink (and saw a short, strange-looking, heavily haired and bearded young man she described as "Junior", whom she did not want identified in the car, as he was leaving). On our return, George was still there. When there was a knock and it was Burnside, I kept him outside, explaining why, and talking to him until George left. At this time Burnside said that when working good he can make more than \$50 a day, that over \$200 a week is not unusual, but that the work is seasonal and often his ~~own~~ income is considerably less. Barbara says he will do anything for money and that right now he seems to need it, not confirmed by his volunteered comment on his day's earnings.

There was a brief conversation with Higginbotham during which he and Burnside referred to John Stone Coulter in a manner that meant nothing to me. Barbara had earlier told me Coulter is a friend of Higginbotham, lives at 1425 Leontyne, 895-0924, that she has been talking, now with some success, with Higginbotham re: Novel, and that Al Thompson is shipping out of San Francisco. I also had a few words with Higginbotham earlier, in the house, and attempted to plant a few ideas about scapegoats.