

M E M O R A N D U M

February 16, 1968

TO: JIM GARRISON, District Attorney

FROM: BILL TURNER

RE: DAVID FERRIE - WINNEPEG MEETING

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On February 13, 1968 EARL McCREA of the Toronto Daily Star, 80 King Street/W, Toronto, Ontario, called to advise that he had conducted some investigation on the basis of leads I had furnished him of the investigation as reported in the January issue of Ramparts. He said that he had done an article on one of FERRIE's apparent associates in Toronto an Old Church minister by the name of EARL ANGLIN JAMES. The article apparently was re-printed in some segments of the United State press. At any rate he received a telephone call very recently from JACK MARTIN in New Orleans. MARTIN told him that JAMES had nothing to do; was with the assassination; was something of a nut; and that he was wasting his time interviewing him. In the course of this conversation, McCREA asked MARTIN if he knew any friends of FERRIE who might wear a hearing aid. McCREA had recently returned from talking to RICHARD GEISBRECHT in Winnepeg and was impressed with his rendition of the meeting in the Winnepeg Airport, although he did not explain this to MARTIN. MARTIN very spontaneously replied that there was a JACK DYMODO a private detective in New Orleans who wore a hearing aid and was friendly with FERRIE. According to MARTIN, DYMODO's real name is JOHN E. SMITH. He operates the Allied Detective Agency (this agency is located at 3012 Metairie Road, telephone 833-8827). McCREA asked MARTIN for a further description of SMITH. MARTIN said that SMITH was about 50, thin, wore a reddish toupe, had an acne problem, was married to a woman who works in the Panamanian Consulate in New Orleans, and that SMITH at times effects a Spanish accent himself.

It is suggested that SMITH be interviewed and a photograph of him obtained for forwarding to GEISBRECHT in Winnepeg to determine if he is possibly identical with the man conversing with FERRIE in the airport.