

Earlier material on Abraham Bolden
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SPRINGFIELD, MO. (AP)-THREE ATTORNEYS SAID TUESDAY THAT A FORMER U.S. SECRET SERVICE AGENT, NOW A PRISONER AT THE FEDERAL MEDICAL CENTER HERE, TOLD THEM THE AGENCY KNEW BEFORE PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS ASSASSINATED THAT AN ATTEMPT TO KILL HIM WAS BEING PLANNED.

A LAWYER REPRESENTING FORMER AGENT ABRAHAM W. BOLDEN, 32, ASSERTED HIS CLIENT TDXCWPI HE WAS SENT TO PRISON AFTER BEING REFUSED PERMISSION TO TELL THE WARREN COMMISSION ABOUT THE ALLEGED INFORMATION.

THE CHARGES WERE MADE IN A NEWS CONFERENCE STAGED BY MARK LANE, LAWYER AND AUTHOR; RICHARD V. BURNES, ASSISTANT TO DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON OF NEW ORLEANS, AND JOHN HOSMER, FORMER JUDGE AND PROSECUTOR FROM MARSHFIELD, MO.

LANE SAID THE SECRET SERVICE RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT AN ATTEMPT ON KENNEDY'S LIFE WOULD BE MADE ON A VISIT BY THE PRESIDENT TO CHICAGO, A VISIT LATER CANCELED OUT OF FEAR FOR KENNEDY'S SAFETY.

ONE OF SEVERAL NAMES GIVEN THE FEDERAL AGENCY THEN, LANE SAID, WAS THE NAME OF A MAN NOW BEING SOUGHT BY DIST. ATTY. GARRISON IN HIS PROBE OF THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. HE REFUSED TO IDENTIFY THE MAN AND SAID THE NAME HAS NOT BEEN MADE PUBLIC.

THE LAWYERS SAID THEIR INFORMATION CAME DURING TWO DAYS OF TALKS WITH BOLDEN, SENTENCED IN CHICAGO TWO YEARS AGO TO SIX YEARS IN PRISON FOR CONSPIRING TO SELL OFFICIAL INFORMATION IN A COUNTERFEITING CASE.

BOLDEN, FIRST NEGRO NAMED TO THE SECRET SERVICE'S WHITE HOUSE DETAIL, WAS NOT IN DALLAS WHEN THE PRESIDENT WAS SHOT NOV. 22, 1963.

BUT THE ATTORNEYS SAID HE TOLD THEM THAT HE AND OTHER AGENTS WERE TOLD OF A PLOT TO KILL KENNEDY IN CHICAGO AND EVEN SHADOWED ONE SUSPECT.

AFTER THE ASSASSINATION, WHEN BOLDEN ASKED TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE WARREN COMMISSION, SAID HOSMER, HE WAS ARRESTED AND CONVICTED IN THE COUNTERFEITING CASE ON PERJURED TESTIMONY.

OFFICIALS OF THE MEDICAL CENTER SAID BOLDEN WAS TRANSFERRED HERE NOV. 9 LAST YEAR FROM FEDERAL PRISON AT TERRE HAUTE, IND., TO HELP WITH MAINTENANCE OF THE HOSPITAL AND IS NOT A PATIENT HERE.

LANE, AUTHOR OF "RUSH TO JUDGMENT," A BOOK CRITICIZING THE WARREN COMMISSION'S CONCLUSION THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS ALONE IN THE KENNEDY KILLING, CALLED BOLDEN'S ALLEGED STATEMENTS "ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT EVENTS SINCE THE SHOTS WERE FIRED IN DEALEY PLAZA IN DALLAS."

HOSMER IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS BOLDEN'S ATTORNEY AND SAID HE CALLED LANE AND BURNES INTO THE CASE.

HOSMER ADDED THAT IF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS MAKE ANY MOVES TO DISTURB BOLDEN'S SECURITY AT THE SPRINGFIELD INSTITUTION, THE THREE ATTORNEYS WILL FEEL FREE TO MAKE ALL THE INFORMATION PUBLIC.

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GARRISON-KENNEDY PROBE B10, SUB INTRO
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GARRISON-KENNEDY PROBE 270
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THE INFORMATION CAME FROM A FORMER SECRET SERVICE AGENT, ABRAHAM
W. BOLDEN, 32, NOW IMPRISONED AT THE FEDERAL MEDICAL CENTER IN
SPRINGFIELD, HIS ATTORNEY, JOHN HOSMER, SAID.

HOSMER, MARK LANE, A LAWYER AND AUTHOR OF A BOOK ON THE KENNEDY
INVESTIGATION, AND RICHARD V. BURNES, ASSISTANT TO DIST. ATTY. JIM
GARRISON OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD THE NEWS CONFERENCE.

GARRISON HAS INSTITUTED AN INQUIRY IN NEW ORLEANS, SAYING HE HAS
EVIDENCE THAT A GROUP OF CONSPIRATORS BAUSED IN NEW ORLEANS WAS
RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF KENNEDY.

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See also this file 21 Jun 68, on meeting of Cuban exiles in Chicago, Jan 63, at which they plotted to kill JFK. (Interview of Augusto Marcelli by Paul Eberle, L.A. Free Press.) Also noted on card for this date.