

Sony 104, 447 to 567 feet. Tape No. 71-72.

447'

Eason: Good morning, Night People, this is Jim Eason with Harold Weisberg, and you're on the air now.

Caller: Let me turn the volume off.

Eason: Okay.

Caller: Now, are we off the air?

Eason: No, you're on the air now.

Caller: No, put us off the air because I have a couple of questions I want to ask you.

Eason: Okay, hang on just a second then and I'll do just that. Let me figure out what I can do here -

Weisberg: And I can talk about something else while you're doing it - huh, Jim?

Eason: Well, he wants to talk to me or - who do you want to talk to?

Caller: You or Weisberg, yeah.

Eason: Okay. Well, can you hang on a second?

Caller: Yeah, right.

Eason: Don't go away. I'll give you a little interlude here while we do this and then we'll be right back.

(Musical interlude)

Eason: And this is a program for Night People on KSFR. Jim Eason here with Harold Weisberg and now, - but sir, was there something you wanted to talk to us about on the air?

Caller: Not unless you want to talk about homosexuality.

Eason: No, I kind of - well, you see, what I actually did was, I played a record here and the record ended, so we got to do something here. Can I move on to the next call?

Caller: Unless he wants to bring up the -

Weisberg: Yes.

Caller: - homosexual aspects of the -

Eason: Well, all right -

Weisberg: I think that there's something else I'd like to do. I'd like - you know how to get in touch with me, now.

Caller: Uh -

Weisberg: First of all you can do it through Jim, and second of all my home address is Route 7, Frederick.

Caller: Route 7, Frederick.

Weisberg: Route 7, Frederick, Maryland.

Caller: Route 7 -

Eason: And the zip code, Harold.

Weisberg: 21701.

Caller: Unless you would care to correspond with me, like -

Weisberg: Well, let me point some things out that could be of interest. First of all, the point that you raised is a valid one, that there is a broad homo -

Caller: (unintelligible) because you know the homo-erotic vote for Kennedy was very strong, despite the fact that he only had, as he put it, a gnat's eyelash majority, yeah. There was - well, I - (long pause). Yes and no. I would like a casual correspondence, yeah, because I can, might point out some aspects of homosexuality that you may not be aware of.

Weisberg: The thing - the one thing that would interest me very - well, first of all, I'd like to make a general statement for the listeners because this cannot be avoided. Many -

Caller: Really, no, very seriously, I think that -

Weisberg: Many of the people involved, in New Orleans and what happened in the assassination are or were homosexuals.

Caller: Sure, Ferrie, Bertrand, and - and actually I do think Oswald was - how could you put it? -

Weisberg: A swinger?

Caller: Homo-erotic or something like that or -

Weisberg: This question was -

Caller: This, uh - a sunset world where a man is or a man isn't, you know, and really he did play around with homosexuals. Ferrie certainly was, and Bertrand is, or -

Weisberg: I think that when you talk about Oswald playing around, that ought to be amplified because I know of no reason to believe that.

Caller: Well, he was at Ferrie's apartment which is -

Weisberg: That doesn't mean he was playing around with homosexuality. There were other things going on there.

Caller: Yeah, yeah, yeah. Yeah, even though he wasn't surely a homo- - we -

Weisberg: Well, now this question -

Caller: - get into that evening world where is a man or isn't a man a homosexual. But he, he -

Weisberg: Well, there is such a thing as being bi-sexual.

Caller: Yes.

Weisberg: And that question also came up.

Caller: That's - that's a big question.

Eason: You guys remember this is a family program here.  
Caller: Oh, are we on the air?  
Eason: Let's don't get too explicit.  
Eason: } Yes, we are. Don't get too explicit, now.  
Weisberg: } Yes, we're on the air. But we're all Night People, are we not?  
Eason: Well, sure.  
Caller: Sure, yeah. I, I - I'm no - uh, uh - I'm no, uh -  
Eason: Well, now - but there may be a young FBI agent listening.  
Caller: Ha ha ha.  
Weisberg: But he probably has read books too. And besides that, he's working for the right boss.  
Caller: Right, ha ha ha. No, I don't mind discussing this.  
Weisberg: No, no, I'm quite serious about this. And I want you and the other people to know that the Commission was well aware of it. For lack of a better designation, they conducted an "investigation" of it. I don't think you or I would really call it an investigation, especially the part that was on the record.

(Discussion of Oswald's involvement with homosexuals in New Orleans.)

538'

Weisberg: ... I want to get to this point. There may very well be knowledge that you may have, both of a general and a specific nature, that I would like you to communicate with me if you'd feel free to. I will know who you are whether or not you sign your name. I assure you, you may feel free in signing your name, and I will make no use of it that you don't want. Now one thing that you don't have to answer me now unless you want to, and that is, do you know anything about the particular people who -  
Caller: Of course, I know the place where Clay Bertrand went, but I unfortunately just (unintelligible) across him.  
Weisberg: I didn't understand you. Will you say that again?  
Caller: The place where Clay Bertrand went. But I -  
Weisberg: You know that? You -  
Caller: - unfortunately ran across him.  
Weisberg: You know that? You know that place?  
Caller: Yes.  
Weisberg: What place?  
Caller: (No answer.)  
Weisberg: What's the name of it? I don't follow you.

Caller: Well, I'll communicate that with you later because this is public defamy, ha ha.

Eason: Yeah, you gotta watch what you say.

Weisberg: Oh, of course. But you mean you know an esta- - a place that he went to?

Caller: Yes, I do. Certainly I do.

Eason: Was it a gay bar?

Caller: No, not quite a gay bar.

Weisberg: Could you without running any risk indicate what kind of place?

Caller: Uh, I would say health club.

Weisberg: Oh, you do know that one?

Caller: Yes, I do know.

Weisberg: And you do know that he went there?

Caller: Yes. Well, according to gossip, yes, I certainly know it, yeah.

Weisberg: Now this is exactly what I was getting to. This is exactly the sort of thing I would like you to -

Caller: Well, this is - again, this is gossip.

Weisberg: That's perfectly all right. It will not be used publicly.

Caller: Yeah.

Weisberg: But it can be checked out, can it not?

Caller: Uh - phony names. You know that business too.

Weisberg: Of course. But, you mean that his was a phony name, or the place had a phony name? I don't follow you.

Caller: I - I know the name. His was a phony name, certainly, yeah.

Weisberg: Well, it was a consistent one. This is the sort of thing that can be very helpful. Was this place in New Orleans?

Caller: No, here in San Francisco. No, the day he was - Kennedy was assassinated.

Weisberg: Yes. That is very interesting, because I have heard other things along this line.

Caller: Uh-huh.

Weisberg: In fact, if you don't mind, at one point when Jim has a commercial on or something, if you could -

Caller: (unintelligible)

Eason: You're putting me on!

Caller: - the air, ha ha.

Weisberg: No, no, no, not on the air.

Caller: Oh yes, sureiy.

Weisberg: But maybe while I am in San Francisco -  
Eason: You're going to be here for several days, aren't you?  
Weisberg: - we could get together and talk. Would you object to that?  
Caller: No, heavens no.  
Eason: My place or yours?  
Caller: Oh, you can come over to my place. (Unintelligible.)  
Weisberg: Well, the problem is transportation. But I'd like it to suit your convenience.  
Caller: No, I live here on top of Nob Hill about half a block away from Grace Cathedral.  
Weisberg: Well, all I had in mind was -  
Eason: Don't be too specific about where you live -  
Caller: Ha ha ha ha.  
Eason: - you'll have trouble getting out the door in the morning.  
Caller: Yeah, ha ha.  
Weisberg: Well, what I had in mind was that perhaps you might call me and leave your telephone number. Is there any way you can do that without it going on the air, Jim?  
Eason: Sure. Sure, yeah. Ah, ah, um - say, listen -  
Weisberg: I tell you, one -  
Eason: - will you be up at six o'clock this morning?  
Caller: I could stay up that long.  
Eason: Well, no, no, no, no, not just for that. I was going - well, let me see -  
Caller: I could get something to eat and -  
Eason: Hang on a second here. Listen, can - how about if I put a thing on the air and you give me your phone number real quick off the air?  
Caller: Yeah, fine.  
Eason: You want to do that?  
Caller: Yeah.  
Eason: Okay, hang on for a second -  
Weisberg: (unintelligible.)  
Eason: - and I'll push a button here. And I'll invite anybody else that wants to call - I'll give you the number here. It's 986-2825. And if you'll hold on just a second here I'll check with you off the air and be right with you. Just a moment here, let me push the right buttons.

(Taped station announcement, followed by another call. Time, 2:10 a.m.)