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WEEKLY SUMMARY #51

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MONDAY, MAY 19 -- Payment of \$85,071.08 was demanded today from organizations which last year backed U.S. Sen. Robert F. Kennedy for President, according to an article in a Los Angeles newspaper (Times).

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The demand for payment was contained in a suit filed in behalf of the hotel, and directed against the National Kennedy for President Committee, Kennedy National Headquarters, Kennedy Campaign Committee and the latter's attorney, Stanley R. Caidin, and Julius Glazer, accountant.

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But Caidin said only a "nominal amount" was in the account.

The suit said the bill was incurred for hotel space, goods and services under an agreement made in June, 1968.

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Noted an article in a Los Angeles legal newspaper (Daily Journal):

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WILLIAM PROXMIRE
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C.

June 11, 1969

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Mr. DeLoach	✓
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Mr. Casper	✓
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Mr. Conrad	✓
Mr. Felt	✓
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Mr. Rosen	✓
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Mr. Tavel	✓
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Miss Holmes	✓
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Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

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Enclosed you will find a letter received by our staff on Tuesday, June 10th. As you will note, there is no return address on the envelope but the postmark of Milwaukee, Wisconsin is still fairly legible.

While this letter is undoubtedly of the crank variety, we nevertheless felt that inasmuch as the author might receive another such "message" with respect to Senator Edward Kennedy, we should forward this on to you.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William Proxmire
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It was in the year of 1944 that I must begin -- the year that Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. flew a bomber plane called the Liberator to its peak of doom. The plane exploded, its pilot obviously dead. Joseph Kennedy was not dead, nor was the desire which burned in him and lead him to the betrayal of his country.

I relate this story for I believe it is God's will that I do so. In the course of time that I grew up in my father's care I learned to love him as I knew him. He loved and trusted me, and when I was old enough to understand he told me everything that I here tell.

My mother I was told had died at my birth. It was she who had torn my father from his legacy. It was she who turned his love for her into a threat of dishonor and disgrace before the eyes of his country. It was a dilemma which pulled him into this web of evil by the lure of wordly possession in return for the rendering of the security of his own nation. It is for this reason that my father chose the aspect of death for himself, leaving behind all he had represented as a patriotic, God-fearing man who had opportunity of becoming a great leader.

He continues ensnared today in this same web, peering maliciously out at anyone who pokes at him. Anyone who might learn his true identity. He assumes the name of Dr. George T. Spearing. He is a man whose ill conscience has ultimately decayed his mind. He despises his family and homeland. He is a Communist. He head an underground headquarters in Famagusta, Cyprus. I grew up there. I watched my father and his associates work. I also watched him ensnare and then finally kill his two brothers, whom he without their knowledge used as puppets for his own promotion. I remember his words when he received a letter of resignation from Robert Kennedy, "When puppets no longer work for their master, their strings are cut -- rendering them lifeless."

It was I who sent the senator an anonymous letter telling him the truth about his financial supporter, Dr. George Spearing.

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It was because of a child that I came to hate my father and because of this same child I made an agreement with him to assist in the assassination of my uncle Sen. Robert Kennedy. For this my father had promised the return of my illegitimate daughter Tamera, whom he had taken from me three years ago. This child stepped

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Los Angeles, California
June 20, 1969

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On May 5, 1969, Pete Noyes, Managing Editor, KNXT-TV, a CBS affiliate, 6121 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, California, and Jack Fox, also affiliated with KNXT-TV, furnished the following information: INETS

Noyes explained he had been conducting an investigation in connection with the assassination of the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy. He mentioned the names of James M. Arnoff, Gerald Chase and Wallace White. He explained all of these men occupy a business address at 280 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, Room 402. He stated that Arnoff was involved in the recent investigation conducted by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office pertaining to the prosecution of Tom Sheppard. Sheppard is a former Los Angeles City Councilman who was prosecuted by the District Attorney's Office in connection with fraud activities. Jim Arnoff

Noyes also mentioned the name of one Eugene Brading, also known as Gene Brading and Jim Braden. According to Noyes, Brading on September 3, 1967, advised the Department of Motor Vehicles in California that he had legally changed his name to Jim Braden. Braden, according to Noyes, is personally known to Sheriff William Decker of Dallas, Texas and was formerly run out of Dallas by Decker in 1952. Noyes claimed that the last arrest on record for Braden was in 1964 at which time he was charged with shoplifting.

Noyes explained that Braden was present in Dallas, Texas on the day that President John F. Kennedy was assassinated, and was present in either the Texas Book Depository building, or a building across the street from it.

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Noyes went on to explain that one Victor Emanuel Pereria was a friend and associate of Braden in Texas, and associated with the Magnolia Petroleum Company, and is now in Denver, Colorado. Both Braden and Pereria were referred to by Noyes as the "Lovebird Swindlers", and are known as such to Sheriff Decker of Texas.

Noyes cited a situation whereby one Mrs. Gertrude Joyce, a wealthy New Mexico widow, married Pereria. Pereria, according to Noyes, married Mrs. Joyce to get to her immense fortune. Braden and Pereria were subsequently arrested by the FBI in New York City, where they were in the process of preparing another marriage scam. Both were returned to El Paso, Texas, where they stood trial in Federal Court, were found guilty, and sentenced to serve 12 years in the penitentiary. The case was appealed during which time both Braden and Pereria were free on appeal bond, and during the investigation and or prosecution of these two men, Mrs. Joyce divorced Pereria. According to Noyes, the case was subsequently reviewed by the United States Supreme Court, and the conviction of Pereria reversed, presumably because of his marital status to Mrs. Joyce. The conviction of Braden was allowed to stand, and he subsequently served a prison sentence in several federal institutions.

In approximately 1952, Pereria married a Mrs. A.D. Little, who was the widow of the former president of the Magnolia Petroleum Company in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Braden was his best man at the wedding, following which all three went to Dallas, Texas, where they occupied a residence on Turtle Creek Road, in the University Park area of Dallas. According to Noyes, Braden is known to Forrest Keene, Chief of Police of the University Park, Texas Police Department.

With respect to Gerald Chase, mentioned above, Noyes characterized him as an accountant who was tied to the Tom Sheppard investigation and was a partner in the Big A Department Store, along with Wallace White and J.M. Arnoff. During the investigation of the Thomas Sheppard case by Los Angeles authorities, according to Noyes, it was determined

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that Big A Department Stores desired a two million dollar loan and Arnoff allegedly had to pay \$20,000 to some unknown person for the alleged cooperation of Mayor Sam Yorty, in order to get the loan. It is not known to Noyes who the \$20,000 went to, but he suggested a possibility being Mel Pierson. Pierson is currently under prosecution by Los Angeles County authorities.

In their investigation, Noyes stated he and Fox have determined that Jim Braden is alleged to be running a gambling operation in Beverly Hills, California, presumably at 280 South Beverly Drive, which is the office of Arnoff, Chase and White. They have determined that Braden renewed his California Driver's license in Oceanside, California in 1966. They have also determined that there is in existence the name of a company known as Empire Oil, which name was used by the Magnolia Petroleum Company, and the address given was 280 South Beverly Drive, Room 402, again the offices of Arnoff, Chase, and White.

Noyes stated the files of Dun and Bradstreet reflect that Jim Braden is engaged in oil property leasing, and or managing, business, is married, and is in his mid 40's.

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During the course of the discussion, Noyes mentioned that Al Fatah, an Arab Intelligence Organization, has come into their inquiry. He stated he has discussed the foregoing with the Deputy Chief, Robert Houghton, of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). According to Noyes, Houghton stated that if the existence of Al Fatah could be established further investigation would then have to be conducted by the LAPD. Noyes stated that Dr. Salri El Farra is the head of Al Fatah in Los Angeles, has an office on Hollywood Boulevard, is the CBS "house doctor" and as such has an office at the CBS studio. He also has an uncle with the Lebanese Delegation the the United Nations, New York.

Noyes explained that he has learned information from an extremely confidential source who he characterized as the "ex-head" of the Black Panthers, in Los Angeles. He stated that his source was present at a Black Panther meeting

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on Central Avenue in Los Angeles, one month prior to the assassination of Robert Kennedy. According to Noyes, his source told him that Sirhan was present at the meeting. The source specifically stated to Noyes that he recalled Sirhan because Sirhan gave his name, at that time, as "Sirhan Sirhan", which the source thought was unusual. Noyes further characterized the former Black Panther member as a college graduate, who is in hiding because of suspected reprisals he believes will befall him by his former Black Panther associates. Noyes has attempted to obtain employment for his source in the KNXT studio, but has been unsuccessful in doing so, to date.

Noyes advised he has been contacted by Robert ^{ALIF} ~~Kaiser~~, a member of the Sirhan defense team, who is currently writing a book. Noyes explained that Kaiser told him he had seven reasons for feeling that a conspiracy existed in connection with the assassination of Robert Kennedy. According to Noyes, Kaiser was desirous of exchanging information with him concerning the results of their respective investigations. Noyes readily admitted Kaiser is in an enviable position concerning the obtaining of information since he has had access to all the defense files, as well as interviews with Sirhan and members of his family.

^{ALIF} Consideration may be given as to why Michael ~~Mc Cowan~~ was specifically selected as the defense investigator in the Sirhan investigation.

According to Noyes, Mc Cowan is a former member of the LAPD, and when employed as such, became involved along with numerous police officers, in land purchase swindles in the San Fernando Valley area. One of the individuals behind that particular operation is one David Kasaab, an Arab, who ^{ALIF} was subsequently prosecuted by Los Angeles authorities. When the Internal Affairs Bureau of the LAPD conducted an inquiry into the alleged activities of Mc Cowan, he immediately tendered his resignation from the LAPD.

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Noyes also expressed considerable suspicion as to how and why Russell Parsons was selected to represent Sirhan in the recent trial. He stated that it has come to his attention that Parsons had a considerable dislike for Robert Kennedy, because of Kennedy's alleged investigation of Parsons when he, Kennedy, was with the United States Senate Rackets Committee.

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Noyes also advised that he has listened studiously and many times to the tape recording made of the interview with Sirhan by Dr. Diamond, at which time Sirhan was under hypnosis. One of the names mentioned by Sirhan, while under hypnosis, was "Kathleen". According to Noyes, when the name of "Kathleen" was mentioned by Sirhan, Dr. Diamond immediately made a reference to one Kathleen Rafferty, not further identified by Noyes. Noyes suggested that the "Kathleen" mentioned by Sirhan could be a reference to the late Kathy Fulmer, recently found a victim of an overdose of narcotics in a Los Angeles motel, and who died in the Los Angeles County General Hospital. On the morning that Fulmer died at the hospital, Jack Fox received an anonymous telephone call advising him that Kathy Fulmer was dead. The anonymous caller furnished no further information and the caller has not been identified. Noyes has determined that one Jose Onilla visited Fulmer while she was in the hospital and prior to her death. He did not, however, have an opportunity to talk to her since she was comatose and never regained consciousness before she died.

With respect to the recent prosecutive activities conducted by District Attorney Jim Garrison of New Orleans, Louisiana, Noyes suggested that Garrison failed in his prosecutive efforts because the Eugene Bradley of North Hollywood, whom Garrison suspected was in reality Jim Braden, mentioned above, who has also used the alias of Gene Bradley.

Noyes explained that on the day of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, in Dallas, Braden was present in that city, was interviewed by a Deputy Sheriff of the Dallas Sheriff's Office, at which time he advised that he had been in the Texas Book Depository building or some other building, attempting to make a telephone call.

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Upon learning of the foregoing, Noyes telephonically contacted Sheriff Bill Decker of Dallas, approximately one week ago, at which time Decker expressed surprise to be advised that Braden had been in Dallas on the day of the assassination. Noyes desired to know if Jim Braden and Eugene Hale Brading were known to authorities to be one in the same person. No comment was made regarding that specific question.

On May 6, 1969, Noyes had advised that the Eugene Hale Brading to whom he referred to on May 5, 1969, has FBI Number 799 431.

In addition to the foregoing, Noyes was advised that his continuing investigation into the activities of Brading, who is now better known as Jim Braden, has developed that Empire Oil Company owns 50 percent of another firm known as Bonanza International. The base company is Empire Crude Oil Company and it is with this organization that Braden is currently affiliated.

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He stated that the Empire Company apparently has an office at 3925 Oneida Street in Denver, Colorado. Noyes explained his investigation is continuing since he is still of the opinion that Braden is the individual whom District Attorney Jim Garrison of New Orleans, Louisiana, was referring to in his recent prosecution of Clay Shaw rather than Eugene Bradley of North Hollywood whom Garrison had insisted was the person he was looking for. Noyes again reiterated his contention that Jim Braden was in some way involved in the assassination of the late President John F. Kennedy in Dallas, Texas in 1963.

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On May 12, 1969, Noyes again telephonically advised, on an extremely confidential basis, that he has spoken with Robert Kaiser, an investigator for the defense team who represented Sirhan Bishara Sirhan. Kaiser is also writing a book concerning the assassination and has advised Noyes that he has seven reasons which he considers valid to suspect

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that a conspiracy actually did exist. Noyes proposed to Kaiser that Kaiser contact Sirhan and specifically ask him whether he, Sirhan, had actually attended a meeting of the Black Panthers in Los Angeles prior to the assassination of the late Robert F. Kennedy on June 5, 1968. CALIF

Kaiser subsequently contacted Noyes and advised that he had interviewed Sirhan which interview was recorded on tape. When Kaiser asked Sirhan whether he had ever attended a Black Panther meeting, Sirhan became considerably upset; denied he had ever attended such a meeting, but told Kaiser that he had, in fact, visited the Black Muslim Temple in Los Angeles.

On May 5, 1969, Kaiser furnished information which he alleged came from a source whom he described as a former officer in the Black Panther organization in Los Angeles. That information was to the effect that Sirhan had been observed by the aforementioned former member of the Black Panther at a meeting of that organization approximately one month prior to June 5, 1968. Noyes advised on May 12, 1969, again on an extremely confidential basis, his former Black Panther source is Shermont Banks. He stated that Banks is no longer affiliated with the Black Panther Party because he refused to go use a gun on one previous occasion. Noyes alleges that Banks is currently "hiding out" in the CBS facility in fear of his life. Noyes explained he could make Banks available for interview by FBI Agents. CALIF

Noyes again chose to discuss the Dallas, Texas, assassination of the late President Kennedy and stated with respect to Jim Braden that he, Noyes, had learned that Braden had an appointment with Lamar Hunt in Dallas on November 20, 1963, and was scheduled to leave Dallas on November 21, 1963.

Noyes also stated he learned from his New York CBS affiliate that there is a midwest publishing house which prints the literature paid for and put out by H.L. Hunt of Hunt Foods.

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At about that time, Turner advised Noyes that he had sent one Jim Rose (a Turner associate) to 280 Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California, in an attempt to locate Braden. While there, Rose was allegedly told that Braden was not in town and was not expected back for a month. Rose obtained the names of the occupants of the building from the building directory which includes J.M. Arnoff, Gerald Chase and Wallace Hoyt, three of the individuals previously mentioned by Noyes on May 5, 1969.

Noyes explained that Turner's price for the sale of the "Zapruter film" to him was to be installed as an investigator for CBS. Noyes explained that CBS had eliminated their investigative staff approximately two years ago and no longer has such an organization. Noyes did not negotiate with Turner for the film based upon legal advice from the studio's attorney.

He stated that Turner also advised that Braden had been in Dallas, Texas, and had moved to Los Angeles from that city shortly after the assassination of the late President John F. Kennedy.

Noyes claims to have been in contact with Robert Finch, current Secretary of Health and Welfare. Concerning his beliefs regarding Braden, he explained that Finch is extremely concerned with the various militant groups functioning throughout the United States since Hew is responsible for the funding money for the programs under the auspices of the Federal Government.

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The "Zapruter film" referred to herein is the movie film taken of the presidential motorcade in Dallas in December 1963, by Abraham Zapruter which was reportedly sold to Life magazine.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)

DATE: 6/16/69

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 22 copies of an LHM concerning information furnished by PETE NOYES. Two copies each of this LHM are likewise being made available to Dallas and New Orleans for information and any action deemed appropriate by those Divisions.

For the information of the Bureau, Dallas and New Orleans, PETE NOYES is the managing editor at KNXT-TV, a CBS affiliate, 6121 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood, California. NOYES is currently producing the news show entitled "The Big News" which originates from Los Angeles. NOYES on 5/6/69, requested an opportunity to speak with a Special Agent of the FBI and U.S. Attorney W. MATTHEW BYRNE concerning some information he had developed in the course of investigation conducted by ~~him~~, PETE NOYES, and JACK FOX, another KNXT-TV associate. Information which NOYES stated he obtained pertained to the recent investigation conducted concerning the assassination of the late Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

In addition to the information contained in the LHM and for the additional information for the Bureau, Dallas and New Orleans, NOYES is admittedly in the process of preparing a book for publication. It is his desire to emphasize in his book the assassination of the late President JOHN F. KENNEDY in Dallas in November 1963, and for that reason, information contained herewith is being made available to Dallas. In addition, NOYES is of the opinion that the EUGENE BRADLEY, who recently figured prominently in the activities in New Orleans concerning the prosecution of CLAY SHAW by New Orleans District Attorney, JAMES GARRISON, is actually EUGENE HALE BRADING, FBI Number 499 431. It is the contention of NOYES that BRADING is the individual whom GARRISON actually wanted rather than the EUGENE BRADLEY of North Hollywood.

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For the additional information of the Bureau, Dallas and New Orleans, the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) is conducting additional investigation regarding the allegations made by NOYES, inasmuch as he had previously discussed these things with them. The LAPD is likewise putting together the results of investigation previously conducted with respect to JAMES ARNOFF, GERALD CHASE, WALLACE WHITE and MICHAEL MC COWAN. The results of that investigation will be made available to the Bureau, Dallas and New Orleans.

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