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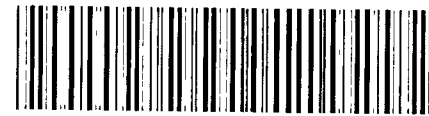
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1031AM URGENT 6/5/68 ELR

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY,  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, JUNE FIVE, SIXTYEIGHT.

AN ASSAILANT, AS YET UNIDENTIFIED BUT WHO IS IN  
CUSTODY OF LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, ATTEMPTED THE  
ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY AT TWELVE  
FIFTEEN A.M., TODAY, IN THE BALLROOM OF THE AMBASSADOR  
HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. THE FBI IS RENDERING ALL  
POSSIBLE INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES,  
INCLUDING THE SERVICES OF THE FBI LABORATORY AND  
IDENTIFICATION DIVISION. IF YOU RECEIVE ANY INFORMATION  
CONCERNING THIS MATTER, THE BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES SHOULD  
BE EXPEDITIOUSLY ADVISED AND ALL NECESSARY INVESTIGATION  
IMMEDIATELY INITIATED. NO COMMENT SHOULD BE MADE TO THE  
PRESS WITH RESPECT TO THE QUESTION OF FBI JURISDICTION  
EXCEPT THAT THE FBI IS RENDERING ASSISTANCE AS INDICATED ABOVE.

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*- New York 10:37 AM*

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2. Interview log  
+ Advice of Rights form of James R. Hoffa 7-21-68
3. Photo of Sirhan 10-23-68

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By \_\_\_\_\_  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)

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Description:

1 Photo of  
Srihan Bishara  
Srihan



SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN,  
male, Arab, born 3/19/44  
Jerusalem, 5'3", 120 #,  
brown hair, brown eyes



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File No. 62-4929-1A-2Date Received 7/22/68From SA P. Morris  
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Park Pa

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By Philip M. Morris  
(NAME OF SPECIAL AGENT)To Be Returned ☐ Yes  
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## Description:

Interview log &  
advice of Rights form  
for James R. Hoffa

## INTERROGATION; ADVICE OF RIGHTS

YOUR RIGHTS

Place Lewisburg, Pa.  
 Date 7/22/68  
 Time 10:27 AM

Before we ask you any questions, you must understand your rights.

You have the right to remain silent.

Anything you say can be used against you in court.

You have the right to talk to a lawyer for advice before we ask you any questions and to have him with you during questioning.

If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you before any questioning if you wish.

If you decide to answer questions now without a lawyer present, you will still have the right to stop answering at any time. You also have the right to stop answering at any time until you talk to a lawyer.

WAIVER OF RIGHTS

I have read this statement of my rights and I understand what my rights are. I am willing to make a statement and answer questions. I do not want a lawyer at this time. I understand and know what I am doing. No promises or threats have been made to me and no pressure or coercion of any kind has been used against me.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: Philip M. Jones, Special Agent, FBI, Phila, Pa

Witness: William V. Jordan, Jr., Special Agent, FBI, Phila, Pa.

Time: 10:30 AM

James R. Hoffa was advised of his rights as set forth above prior to interview at the U. S. Penitentiary Lewisburg, Pa. He advised he understood his rights but would not sign waiver form.



July 22, 1968

Interview Log

Inmate, James Riddle Hoffa, U.S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa. was interviewed at the USP by SAs Philip M. Morris & William V. Jordan, Jr.

10:24 AM Hoffa was advised of the identity of interviewing agents and informed of the purpose of the interview.

10:27 AM Hoffa advised of his rights by SA Morris as set forth on an Interrogation; advice of Rights form.

10:30 AM Hoffa advised he understood his rights but would not sign waiver.

Interview commenced.

10:35 AM Interview terminated.

Philip M. Morris  
William V. Jordan, Jr.

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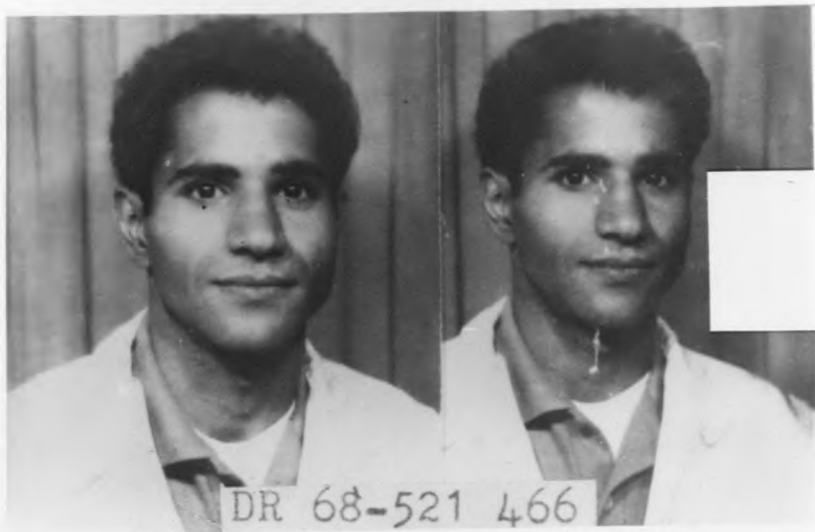
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## Description:

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Sirhan B. Sirhan



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12:55 PM URGENT 6-5-68 BVH

TO DIRECTOR, LOS ANGELES, PHILADELPHIA  
FROM DETROIT

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY,  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, JUNE FIVE INSTANT

DETROIT OFFICE RECEIPT OF TELEPHONE CALL FROM LOU  
MILLER, WHO IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS ASSOCIATED WITH CHANNEL TWO,  
WJBK-TV, DETROIT. MILLER STATED HE JUST RECEIVED ANONYMOUS  
TELEPHONE CALL FROM INDIVIDUAL WHO SPOKE AS THOUGH HE WAS  
RATHER WELL EDUCATED AND WHO CLAIMED HE HAD OBSERVED A  
PHOTO ON TELEVISION OF THE INDIVIDUAL WHO ALLEGEDLY ATTEMPTED  
TO ASSASSINATE SENATOR KENNEDY AND CLAIMED THAT THIS  
INDIVIDUAL IS FAMILIAR TO HIM AS AN INDIVIDUAL WITH WHOM  
HE ASSOCIATED AT THE LEWISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA, PENITENTIARY  
IN NINETEEN FIFTY. HE IDENTIFIED THE INDIVIDUAL AS JOSE  
MANUEL CARRELLLOS FUENTES, WHO ORIGINALLY CAME FROM AN ISLAND  
OFF THE COAST OF PUERTO RICO.

NO RECORD SUBJECT DETROIT INDICES.

PHILADELPHIA CHECK INDICES, CONTACT LEWISBURG PENITENTIARY,  
CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND HANDLE INVESTIGATION PER  
BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS.

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310PM URGENT 6/5/68 JTM

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF SENATOR ROBERT F. KENNEDY,  
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, JUNE FIVE, SIXTY-EIGHT.

RE BUREAU TEL TODAY CAPTIONED AS ABOVE. IN ORDER  
TO FACILITATE HANDLING OF THIS INVESTIGATION THE FOLLOWING  
CODE NAME SHOULD BE USED IN ALL TELETYPE AND AIRTEL  
COMMUNICATIONS --- "KENSALT."

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*Relay - Baltimore - 3<sup>09</sup> pm*

*ack by: JAR*

*- Norfolk - 3<sup>11</sup> pm*

*ack by: BAK*

*- Richmond - 3<sup>12</sup> pm*

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*- Pittsburgh - 3<sup>13</sup> pm*

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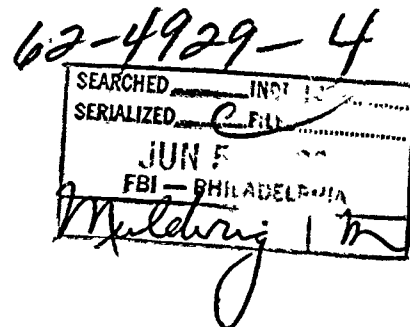
FROM : SA ANDREW P BOSKO (SE- )

SUBJECT: ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION OF  
SENATOR ROBERT F KENNEDY

6/5/68 KENSALT

A woman, who refused to give her name or address, telephonically advised that she has just seen a TV news bulletin showing the man that shot SENATOR KENNEDY. She stated she thinks she saw this man in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. last July, 1967 working or staying at a Howard Johnson Hotel located on Alantic Avenue. At the time she saw this individual he was wearing blue pants with a gold stripe on the sides and a white shirt. She stated she along with her husband and their baby stayed at the Howard Johnson during their six day vacation in Fort Lauderdale. She only saw this individual on one occasion.

This individual could not furnish any additional information and refused to give her name or address.



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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 6/5/68

FROM : CC Robert C. Kearney

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION ATTEMPT OF  
SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY

On 6/5/68, Mr. HAROLD GRAUSAM, Director, Social Rehabilitation, Friends Neighborhood Guild, 703 North 8th. Street, Philadelphia, Pa., telephone WA 3-1544, telephonically contacted this office to advise that he had been watching the television all morning since SENATOR KENNEDY was shot and that there are two things that strike him as being odd and he felt that he should bring this to the attention of the FBI.

He advised that there things are as follows:

1. On the ABC network, they mentioned that there appeared to have been 1 shot and then shortly thereafter another 6 shots.
2. On the ABC network, SANDER VAN OKER, news commentator interviewed a woman, name unknown, who stated that shortly after KENNEDY was shot, she heard and saw an unknown woman, believed to be a Mexican in a blue polka dotted dress, running down the hall stating that "we shot him", or words to that effect.

GRAUSAM stated that only the indicated networks carried this information and that he felt this should be checked out, as if these facts are so, there appears to be a conspiracy.

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FROM DIRECTOR 2P

KENSALT

RE BUREAU TEL TO ALL SACS JUNE FIVE SIXTYEIGHT.

SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, AKA, SHIRHAN BISHARA

SHIRHAN, FORMER EXERCISE BOY SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK, CALIFORNIA,

IDENTIFIED AS SENATOR KENNEDY'S ASSAILANT. SIRHAN DESCRIBED

AS FOLLOWS: DATE OF BIRTH THREE NINETEEN FORTY-FOUR,

JERUSALEM, JORDAN, WHITE, MALE, FIVE FEET TWO INCHES TALL,

ONE ONE FIVE POUNDS, BLACK HAIR, BROWN EYES. FIRST NAMES OF

FAMILY - FATHER BISHARA, MOTHER MARY, BROTHERS SHARIF,

SAIDALLH, MUNIR, ADEL. LAST KNOWN ADDRESS SIX NINE SIX EAST

HOWARD STREET, PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. FAMILY ENTERED US FROM

JORDAN IN ONE NINE FIVE SEVEN.

ALL OFFICES CHECK INDICES AND MAJOR PDS. SUTEL

POSITIVE RESULTS ONLY. ANY INFORMATION BEARING UPON SIRHAN'S

ACTIVITIES PRIOR TO INSTANT ASSAULT SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY

DEVELOPED AND FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES IMMEDIATELY.

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CONSPIRATORIAL ASPECTS IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION SHOULD BE  
CONDUCTED TO RESOLVE SAME.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 6-5-68

FROM : EUGENE F. O'NEILL, ECO

SUBJECT: KENSAELT

at 7:25 PM this date Mr. Donald Yancey telephonically contacted this office. Mr. Yancey furnished the following information: at approximately 3:20 PM June 3, 1968 Yancey was riding a PTC bus north on Broad Street. Yancey indicated this was the Route "C" bus. In the vicinity of the Temple University campus, a young colored male aged 20 to 25 boarded the bus. This individual <sup>carried two books</sup> walked toward the rear of the bus talking with various passengers. As he neared the rear of the bus the subject asked one passenger for a newspaper stating that he wanted to read about the shooting of Senator Robert Kennedy.

Yancey advised that during the hours 7 AM to 3 PM he could be reached at phone number 787-8460. In the evening he reached at home - 360 EAST TAPSCOTT ST. Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on Payroll Savings Plan

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 6/5/68

FROM : SAA James H. McGahey

SUBJECT: Kensa It

Ellis Gamber, 157 Penn Blvd, E. Lansdowne, Pa., Tel. # MA 22472. called and advised:

He has a nephew SA Dennis Dempsey, of Savannah Office of FBI

About 1 month ago Gamber's neighbor, Monyer Joyner, a guard at Broadmeadows Prison, Thornton, Pa., told him that there was a rumor among the inmates at this prison that Senator Robert Kennedy was going to get shoot before 6/20/68.

Gamber suggested that if Joyner is contacted in this matter, that Joyner be advised that Gamber told his nephew about their conversation and that through that source it was traced back to Joyner.

Bureau switchboard confirmed that there is a Dennis A. Dempsey is a SA out of Savannah Office.

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# Johnson Acts Fast to Guard Candidates

## Gives Secret Service Extralegal Orders, Leads U. S. Prayers

Washington — (AP) — President Johnson, acting quickly after the shooting of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, ordered the Secret Service to protect all major presidential candidates and their families.

The White House did not reveal the names of these candidates, but Secret Service agents immediately join Sen. Eugene J. McCarthy.

Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey already has such protection.

The announcement said the President lacks specific legislative authority to issue the order but he refused to let legalism stand in his way.

### Seeks New Law

Only after directing James Rowley, chief of the Secret Service, to dispatch agents immediately to this new assignment did he set about making the action legal.

The President conferred with Senate Democratic Leader Mike Mansfield, Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen, Sen. Mike Monroney (D-Okla.) and Rep. Tom Steed (D-Okla.).

"The President advised these members of Congress," the White House said in a statement, "of the actions he had taken in placing Secret Service details with each of the presidential candidates and discussed the need for authorizing legislation to follow up this action."

Monroney heads the Senate committee and Steed heads the House subcommittee which handle appropriations for the Secret Service.

### Existing Legislation

Existing legislation authorizes the Secret Service to protect both the President, members of his immediate family, the President-elect, the Vice president or other officer next in the order of succession to the President, and the Vice President-elect.

Former Presidents and their wives also receive Secret Service protection, as do widows and minor children of former Presidents.

The President also led the nation's prayers for Sen. Kennedy. Mr. Johnson, who succeeded to the office of President when the senator's brother, John F. Kennedy, was assassinated in Dallas four years ago, said

"there are no words equal to the horror" of the new tragedy. "Our thoughts and our prayers are with Sen. Kennedy, his family and the other victims," Mr. Johnson said. "All America prays for his recovery. We also pray that divisiveness and violence be driven from the hearts of men everywhere."

### McCormack Gasps

"My God," gasped House Speaker John W. McCormack on being told in Washington of the shooting. "What is this country . . ." and his voice trailed off. "It's terrible, it's indescribable."

Mansfield said that he was "terribly disheartened and saddened that another member of the Kennedy family has been attacked in this manner."

"I wonder what is happening to this country," Mansfield said.

Sen. Dirksen termed the shooting "a disaster of national proportions" and said it emphasizes the lawlessness which grips the nation.

The President spoke by telephone with Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Robert's brother, at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles, and with two key members of the family political team. Theodore C. Sorensen and Stephen E. Smith, a Kennedy brother-in-law.

Mr. Johnson consulted during the night with Attorney General Ramsey Clark and J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The Attorney General ordered the FBI into the case under authority of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and the Civil Rights Act of 1968.

### Primary Investigation

"We have jurisdiction under the Secret Service to protect both," Clark said. He added, however, that the primary role in the investigation is being handled by local law enforcement agencies in Los Angeles. The Justice Department said the suspect's fingerprints had been sent from the FBI office in Los Angeles to Washington to aid in identification.

Clark also ordered James P. McShane, chief U. S. marshal, to take command of a guard detail posted at Kennedy's home, Hickory Hill, in suburban Fairfax County, Va.

In Sacramento, California, Gov. Ronald Reagan promised to make available whatever assistance is needed and requested in investigating the shooting.

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p.3-"The Evening Bulletin"  
Philadelphia, Pa.

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Editor: Wm. B. Dickinson  
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# Flush of Victory Turns to Pallor of Tragedy

By JIMMY BRESLIN

Special Correspondent

Los Angeles — He was shaking hands with the kitchen workers who leaned across trays of cups and saucers and bins of ice cubes.

Looking at them with those deep-set blue eyes, his teeth showed in a smile. Photographers pushed around the work tables in the kitchen and skidded on the wet floor to take pictures of him and I guess he never saw the guy with the gun.

The gun does not make a very loud noise. Several quick, flat sounds in the low-ceilinged room and Kennedy disappears. Then the guy behind him disappears and the people start screaming and running.

## Kennedy's Face

People run from the gunman through the kitchen. Bill Barry, Roosevelt Grier and Rafer Johnson grab him. They lurch against a table and now you see what is on the floor behind them.

Robert Kennedy is on his back. His lips are open in pain and disgust. His right eye rolls up in his head and his left eye closes, but there is still the sadness in his face. You see, he knows so much about this time.

"Doctor, get a doctor . . . he still has the gun . . . get away . . . get away . . . please . . . please, oh, please, please, don't kill him, Rosie, we want him alive," someone yells.

Kennedy is on the floor with his legs kind of curled a little

bit and there is blood coming from his right ear. There is a hole some place on his head. You can see that because of the hair that was blown away.

He lies there on the floor and his throat moves just this little bit. He is trying to swallow. The right eye comes down just a little bit and he seems to look. He looks so much with this hollow sadness because he knows so much about this kind of thing. He has known it for so long now. "Russian roulette," he always said. "Living every day is Russian roulette."

They have his shirt open and his flat stomach shows. The blood is coming out of his ear.

## Gunman Caught

They have the guy who did it and the guy who did it still has the gun in his hand and they push the hand holding the gun down on to a metal top table and people get up on the table and jump on the guy's hand and stamp on it. He still won't let go.

And now somebody says Roosevelt Grier is going to kill the guy with the gun. And people again scream "please don't kill him," and they flip the guy over on the table and Grier has the gun, a small gun with a short barrel. Through the arms over his face and around his neck are two eyes rolling around.

"Why did you have to do it? Why did you have to do it?" the rolling eyes are asked.

The eyes stop rolling and they stare. Then the eyes begin rolling again and somewhere in the pile legs start thrashing. They pound on him as the cook stands in the aisle screaming. "Kill him right here. Go ahead and kill him right there . . . kill him. Kill him."

"A doctor . . . where is the doctor?" People are pushing and screaming, falling on the floor, lurching into walls, shouting and screaming.

A priest leans over Robert Francis Kennedy.

## Wife Is There

Ethel Kennedy kneels on her husband's right side, the side where the bullet caught him. She is very composed; her body is not shaking; she is cooing to him. This pregnant girl on the wet floor with her husband who has been shot.

Still there is no doctor. Still no doctor.

Finally, cops come and Jesse Untuh is up on the table screaming, "I want him alive. I hold you responsible for him being alive. I want him alive."

Jean Smith, Kennedy's sister-in-law. Steve Smith, Pierre Salinger, Chuck Daly, Walter Sheridan, Kennedy's aides, all looking . . . looking . . . looking. And this little woman over her husband who has been shot.

Tables are thrown out of the way and the stretcher is wheeled up.

## Senator in Pain

Robert Kennedy is picked up and he says very softly, "Oh, no . . . no."

It hurts him. It is the head. They roll the stretcher through the kitchen to a freight elevator.

"Mrs. Kennedy . . . Mrs. Kennedy . . . Mrs. Kennedy . . . come on."

Everybody is on the stairs running, running to the driveway in front of the hotel. Red lights flash and sirens wail in the night as the ambulance moves out. Police cars are everywhere. Wilshire Blvd. is blocked off.

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p.1,13-"The Evening  
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## Crush of People

At the receiving hospital people crash against the glass doors. Steve Smith stands in the hall in front of Emergency Room No. 2. In Dallas, they put his brother in Room No. 1.

"Open the door. Get out of the way. The nurse has to get out," a cop yells.

"Call the police so I can give them the blood type and they'll bring it down. They need a lot of blood," a woman says.

"How is he?" I asked her quietly.

"Well, he's still alive," she said.

"Is that all?" she was ask-

Her eyes open very wide. She says nothing.

Now there is a rushing in the hall and out on the platform where they load ambulances. Bill Barry helps Jean Smith into the ambulance and the cameramen crowd around.

People who see the cameramen pushing and crowding throw up. Police scream at the cameramen to get out of the way so they can roll the stretcher out of the hospital.

They have a towel over his face and a bottle of plasma glints in the light. He is taken to Good Samaritan Hospital and people stand in the dark street in front of the hospital and wait.

## Kennedy's Activity

All Kennedy had done all night was to keep looking up from the television where they were showing the primary results and remembering somebody else he wanted to invite to a party he was having at a place called The Factory.

"Dick, could I speak to you please, Dick Harwood?"

And Dick Harwood, a reporter, came over and Kennedy, going to a television interview in this packed hallway, whispered to Harwood that he wanted him to come to The Factory. And he asked me where Loudon Wainwright was because he wanted Loudon to come too.

Then he was standing in the middle of the room in the suite, holding a cigar in his hand.

One of his daughters was crying because she had had an argument, I guess, and another daughter was sitting on the bed, too, and he sat down on the bed.

Steve Smith was coming on the television. Robert Kennedy went and stepped into the next room of the suite and said, here, hurry up, I want you to see this, and one of his sons came into the room and kissed him on the cheek and Robert Kennedy and this son of his sat on the edge of the bed and watched Steve Smith talk on television.

## Votes Come In

It had been a big, important night. When the first votes came in Kennedy was in his bedroom of Suite 511 of the Ambassador Hotel. Across the hallway there was a big party and all of his friends were drinking and watching the returns. But here in the bedroom he was with Dick Goodwin, Milt Gwirtzman, Fred Dutton, Bill Barry, Steve Smith and Ray O'Connell. They came in and out, shutting the door after them and some of them sat on the bed and stood against the wall, watching the returns.

In the bathroom, an electric typewriter on the sink was plugged into the socket for electric shavers. Adam Walinsky, the speech writer, had his secretary typing out a victory statement.

Robert Kennedy stood in the middle of the room and watched. The ash on his cigar grew long and he walked over to the windows looking for an ash tray.

"Do you have any results that the television doesn't have?" he was asked.

"Nothing," he said, "zero. I used to know all these things ahead of everybody. Now I have to wait for the television. It's a bore."

## A Small Relief

He got up and slipped into the next room. Fred Dutton, speech in hand, started to follow and then stopped.

"I have to talk to him but I don't want to follow him," he said. After all these weeks of people tearing at him, it's a relief just to be able to walk into another room without somebody bumping into him from behind.

The television said the figures were going to be very good. I mean real good. He had won the South Dakota primary earlier. It was one hell of a night for Robert Kennedy.

Ethel Kennedy came in and sat down on the edge of the bed.

"You know," somebody said to her, "maybe people don't dislike this husband of yours as much as you think."

## Political Talk

She reached out and jabbed at the one talking. "I never thought people disliked my husband," she said. Dick Goodwin came in and sat on the bed and puffed a cigar. "If it's 50 or over 50 tonight it means the nomination," he said. "People don't know. Hubert Humphrey would be a glass statue against him."

Kennedy came back and sat down. Fred Dutton had Kennedy O'Donnell on the phone. O'Donnell was in Washington. Kennedy took the phone.

"Yes, Kenny, thank you; now what about . . ."

His voice trailed off and he talked about the four states where he had to hold delegations at this convention, New Jersey, Ohio, Illinois and Michigan. He hung up and sat on the floor and began talking about his problems.

"You see, the Ohio delegates are meeting on Saturday," he said. "We got them to hold off a month ago. And they said they'd do it for us and meet this week. Now he's been all over Ohio."

He meant Humphrey. "I've only been there once. I'd go right in there, but, you see, I've got to be in New York. That's the trouble with McCarthy staying in. He's sending a plane load of staff people to New York. At least, that was the plan earlier tonight. And I have to be in New York. So I can't be in two places at once."

"Can't you postpone New York?" he was asked.

"I can't. I've got trouble there, you know that," he said. "Look, your paper is against me because of me coming in after McCarthy. And there's the Times. The Times wants Hubert Humphrey. They don't want me. They don't want me because I'm a Catholic. The Times doesn't like Catholics. Now I know I can turn things around with the people who dislike me. I proved that here. Once people see me and hear me they don't dislike me so much any more. But this takes time. And I can't go to Ohio because of it. You see the bind McCarthy has me in. And let's look at it. It's starting to get suspicious how he just decides to hang in against me. There has to be something between him and the Humphrey people."

### Everyone Loves Him

Fred Dutton, Dick Goodwin and Dick Tuck came to take him downstairs to the ballroom because he is the big winner for sure now and it is time to talk to his campaign workers.

He comes into the hallway and the regulars smile at him. They love him. Everybody who traveled with this little guy with the hair, the sharp nose, the deep-set eyes and the reddish farm-boy complexion fell in love with him. Downstairs the television cameramen, on a platform for Kennedy's entry, were going to be cheering to themselves.

From the first day Kennedy ran for the presidency, when he went to Kansas by plane to start his first great rush, people with him talked about one

He's going to be shot," the assistant said on the plane that week. "He's going to be shot as sure as we're here and, please God, I don't think we'll have a country after it."

Always Bill Barry, the big Irish guy who handled Kennedy's crowds, worried about

"We have the cars hidden at night so they can't put a bomb in them," he said. "And the locals, wherever we are, watch the room at night. But I say we could use another guy. I get mixed up with the crowds and I can't see. And I get tired. Maybe I won't be able to react quick enough. I wish somebody would talk to him."

### Fear Is Rejected

People did. Late one afternoon at La Guardia Field, while he was waiting to go to Philadelphia, he was told, "This guy of yours is getting tired."

Kennedy glared. "What's this," his wife Ethel said.

"Do you have anybody looking after your house," she was asked. "I mean somebody who can handle something."

"Oh, that," she said. She looked away.

Robert Kennedy glared. He had a look in his eyes. No. He was snarling. No he was not going to give in and be frightened. He walked away and that was the end of it.

Everybody, through all the days of all the trips, kept closing their eyes and saying, "Don't even mention it."

On Monday, in San Francisco, in a street in Chinatown, they set off Chinese firecrackers.

Robert Kennedy shook and everybody in the cars behind him, everybody to a man, shook too.

Now he is in the elevator and out into the lobby. He comes into the crowded ballroom and stands on a rickety wooden stage. The doors behind the stage lead into the kitchen. The kitchen leads into the room

where the newspaper writers type.

### Then It Happens

After he speaks, Kennedy comes off the stage. They want to take him out the front, but the crowds look so bad they decide to come through the kitchen.

He was going to come in where the newspaper people were writing and he was going to go up to each person typing, as he always does, and say to them, "Hello," and "do you have enough to write about," and "When you're finished I'd like to have a drink with you."

We knew he was going to be shot somewhere along the line and last night he was shot in the kitchen while he was coming to see these people who were working, who liked him so very much.

Everybody cried when he was shot down within a few feet of them. All through the night they stood on the street in front of the hospital and we always knew, all of us, that some day we would be doing this. 1963 1968





SEN. ROBERT F. KENNEDY (D-NY) lies ~~on the~~ floor of a Los Angeles hotel kitchen after he was shot in the head and shoulder. Photo by Los Angeles Times via AP Wirephoto



UPI Telephoto  
**SHOOTING SUSPECT** is taken from hotel by police.



**CLUTCHING A ROSARY,** Senator Kennedy waits for an ambulance to arrive.



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Young Gunman Captured, Won't Reveal Identity

By **ROBERT ROTH**

*Of The Bulletin Staff*

Los Angeles—Sen. Robert F. Kennedy was shot in the brain and critically wounded early today a few minutes after he learned that he had won the California presidential primary.

Brain surgery was performed in an effort to save his life. There was no medical announcement, but this morning Deputy Mayor Joseph Quinn told newsmen the operation was over and that "the doctors are somewhat encouraged."

The gunman was in custody, but there was very little information about him.

The 42-year-old senator was shot down only four and a half years after his older brother, President John F. Kennedy, was assassinated in Dallas, Tex.

Shortly after midnight today, a fusillade of bullets, fired by a fanatic who reportedly shouted, "I did it for my country," hit the senator twice and wounded four others in a gala crowd that had been celebrating the Kennedy victory.

## Five Others Wounded

The shots were fired as the senator was leaving a crowded ballroom of the Ambassador Hotel where he had just thanked his supporters for their successful work on his behalf and called for "an end to violence in the United States."

Wounded besides the senator were:

—Paul Schrade, a United Auto Workers official who is on the Kennedy slate of California delegates.

—William Weisl, 30, an American Broadcasting Company producer.

—Ira Goldstein, 19, a radio technician.

—Irwin Stroll, 17.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Evaps.

All the wounds were superficial except that of Weisl, who was hit in the abdomen.

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### **Wife and Brother There**

One bullet struck Kennedy's right mastoid bone and lodged in the brain. The other inflicted a shoulder wound.

A team of six neurosurgeons began the operation several hours after the shooting.

During the surgery, a report on the senator's condition said:

"His life signs are good. His respiration, heart, pulse and blood pressure are all good."

The senator's wife, Ethel, who is expecting her 11th child, and his brother, Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass) kept a vigil at the hospital.

Police said several hours after the assailant was taken into custody that they had not been able to learn his identity. He was described as a man of about 25, apparently of foreign extraction.

### **Athletes Seize Gunman**

The man was seized by several persons, including Roosevelt Grier, noted 300-pound professional football player for the Los Angeles Rams who has been campaigning for Kennedy. Rafer Johnson, a former Olympic decathlon champion, another Kennedy supporter, got the gun.

"Nobody hurt this man!" one of the athletes shouted. "We want to take him alive!"

There were reports that the gunman, wearing blue jeans and tennis shoes, had an accomplice, but police said that so far they had no evidence of this or any conspiracy by others.

"We do not have information at this point to lead us to believe that any conspiracy was involved, although we have not ruled that out," said Police Inspector Robert Rock.

Some at the scene reported hearing the gunman shout, "Let me explain! I can explain." But after his arrest he balked at talking.

### **'Sits There and Says Nothing'**

"We don't know who the suspect is," another police spokesman said. "He has made no statement. He would not speak, except once he said, 'yes.'"

"We describe him as a male Caucasian, around 25, five feet five and about 120 pounds, swarthy complexions. His hair is wiry or bushy.

"We made a skin search of him, checking that he had nothing on him to take his life. We have advised him of his rights. He apparently doesn't want a lawyer now.

"He sits there and says nothing."

Sen. Kennedy had just left the hotel ballroom and was trying to make his way through the adjacent kitchen toward a rear entrance when the shots resounded like a firecracker barrage.

Police Chief Thomas Reddin told newsmen the gunman used an eight-shot .22 calibre pistol and fired all eight shots.

Kennedy went down without a sound, blood pouring from his head and down his side. His wife, Ethel, who is expecting her 11th child, rushed to his side.

### **Gunman Wasn't Noticed**

[The Associated Press said the gunman appeared in the kitchen area behind the bandstand of the Embassy Room, where Kennedy backers were listening to their candidate's light-hearted victory speech.

[The gunman carried papers, which he spread out on a stainless steel table. One waiter described them as sketches.

[The backstage area was crowded with waiters, press and others and the man's presence caused little notice.

[Kennedy finished his speech and began working his way off the platform and into the kitchen, followed by close associates and members of his family.

[His wife, Ethel, became enveloped in the crowd. Kennedy gazed around as if searching for her.

[At that moment, the gunman pushed through the throng, reached his arm around others in front of him and shot the senator.]

### **Photographer Describes Scene**

Boris Yaro, a newspaper photographer, was standing only a few feet away from the senator when he was shot at 12.15 A. M.

"I was getting ready to shoot a picture," Yaro said. "Kennedy backed up against the kitchen freezers and the gunman fired at him point-blank. The senator threw his hands over his face.

"The gunman was a short dark-complexioned man. He moved close to the senator holding a short-barreled revolver. Three or four people grabbed him, but by then it was too late.

"I turned around and Sen. Kennedy was lying on the floor. Blood seemed to be pouring out of a wound in his head. It seemed as though he was trying to say something, but you couldn't hear him.

"People were shouting, 'He's been shot. He's been shot.' Others screamed, 'Get a doctor. Bobby's been shot.'"

### **Brother-in-Law Unhurt**

It was at first reported that Stephen Smith Kennedy's brother-in-law, was among those who had been shot.

Smith was unharmed and he quickly took charge, calming the crowd and urging them to leave the ballroom quietly.

"You can help us best by leaving the room," Smith said repeatedly over a microphone.

Television cameras recorded the shock and hysteria of the onlookers and the pandemonium that ensued. Men and women alike cried like children.

Many tried to get at the gunman and some shouts of "Lynch him" were heard, but police hustled him out unharmed and took him to the Central Jail.

Dr. Marcus McBroom, a witness to the shooting who also gave Kennedy emergency attention, said the assailant "was yelling something about saving the country or something. What he said was something like, 'I did it for my country.'"

"I went out and brought Dr. Ross Miller, then three other doctors arrived."

#### ***Priest Brings a Rosary***

An unidentified priest handed Kennedy a rosary, and the senator clutched it in his hand. The priest was pushed aside in the confusion.

Ambulance attendant Max Behrman said in a statement reported by United Press International that when he reached Kennedy he knelt down but Mrs. Kennedy pushed him away and wouldn't let him touch the senator. Behrman reported:

"I said, 'What do you want an ambulance for then?'"

"She said, 'I want to get him to a hospital.'"

"I said that was what I was there for."

"We got him on a stretcher but as we did, he said, 'Please don't! Please don't! Please don't lift me.'"

"We started down to the ambulance, but Mrs. Kennedy kept pulling back on the stretcher, saying she didn't want it going too fast, that we were hurting him."

"We got him into the ambulance. I wanted a little information for my book. She took it out of my hand and threw it into the lot of the hotel."

"From what I could see, he needed a bandage on his head—at the left ear where one bullet wound was. And I had to give him oxygen which he needed very badly."

Kennedy was taken first to Central Receiving Hospital, where police emergency cases are handled. The Rev. Thomas Peacha administered last rites of the Roman Catholic Church there and the senator got more emergency treatment.

Then, with an oxygen mask over his face and with a blood plasma bottle dripping its contents into his veins, he was transported to Good Samaritan Hospital, where he underwent surgery.

#### **McCarthy Offers Prayers**

At the Beverly Hilton Hotel, a few miles from the Ambassador, Sen. Eugene McCarthy was gathered with his own supporters, whom he had just promised to continue competing for the presidential nomination despite his defeat in California. When he heard the news, McCarthy asked his followers to say a silent prayer, then to go home and pray anew.

The shooting will compel a reevaluation of current standards for campaigning. If a candidate can be shot at the height of a gala victory celebration, when he is surrounded by his own followers and his own security force, other candidates are bound to ask, "Who can be safe and under what conditions?"

President Johnson already has acknowledged that it is not safe for him to expose himself to random crowds. For months he has confined his appearances to secure areas and has avoided ground transportation in reaching them.

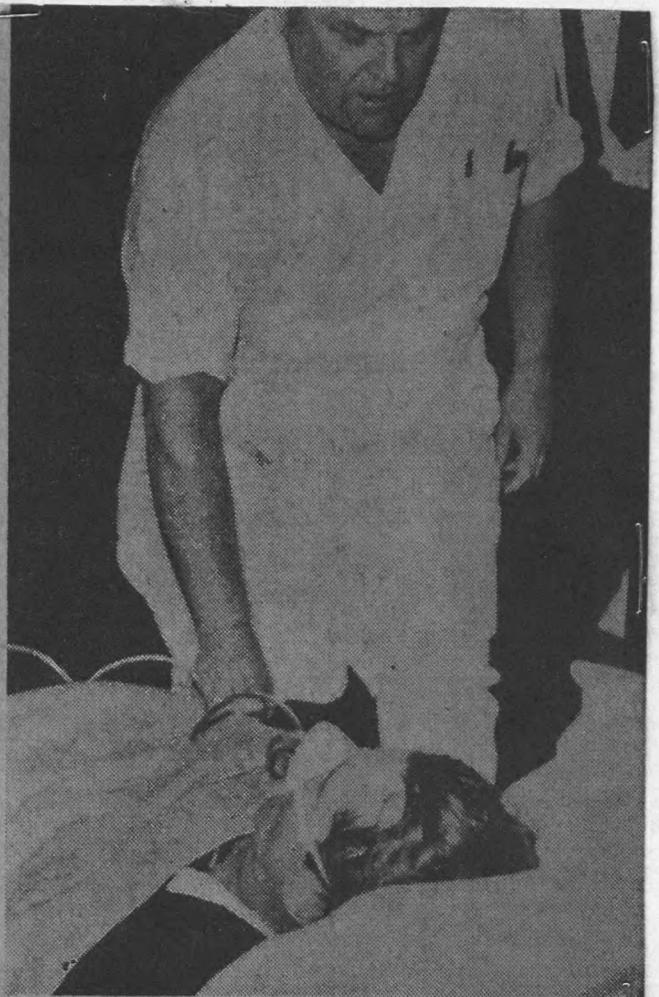
For the President, the helicopter has replaced the motorcade. Candidates for his office may now have to consider following suit, even though such procedure would greatly restrict their communication with voters.





**MRS. ROBERT F. KENNEDY** sits in an ambulance with her wounded husband.

UPI Telephoto



**ATTENDANT WHEELS** Senator Kennedy into Central Receiving Hospital in Los Angeles.

AP Wirephoto



**GUNMAN IS WRESTLED** to a table in the kitchen of the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles after Sen. Robert F. Kennedy was shot.

AP Wirephoto





**MAN IS SEIZED AND DISARMED** by Kennedy aides. Roosevelt Grier, Los Angeles Rams tackle, is in foreground. UPI Telephoto

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC JOE D. JAMIESON 62-

FROM : ASAC ARNOLD C. LARSON

SUBJECT: KENSALT

DATE: 6/6/68

Mr. GUY OAKMAN, Editor and Publisher of the Fulton Democrat, a weekly newspaper at McConnellsburg, Pa., telephonically advised at 9:30 a.m. this date of his concern over a discussion he had on the night of 6/3/68 with JACK WILDONER relative to Senator ROBERT KENNEDY.

According to OAKMAN he went to a bar in McConnellsburg on the evening of 6/3/68 to have a beer. While there he saw JACK WILDONER, who was reared in McConnellsburg, however he had not seen him for the past ten or twelve years. After they exchanged greetings it became very apparent that WILDONER was emotionally upset over the current political situation. WILDONER told him that "If you Democrats don't take BOBBY KENNEDY out of this thing, we are going to, and it's going to be messy." He went on to state "Don't think for a minute they have not been planning for this", and he indicated that he had been going to school. WILDONER further stated that he was a John Bircher and a member of the Ku Klux Klan.

OAKMAN said he thought that WILDONER had been drinking and that perhaps it was due to his inebriation that he was talking in this manner, however in light of the recent situation regarding KENNEDY he wanted to report it. OAKMAN said WILDONER was so disturbed over the situation that OAKMAN attempted to get away from him and left the bar. WILDONER followed OAKMAN to his car, continued his discussion concerning "niggers" and the political problems of today. OAKMAN said that WILDONER was still attempting to discuss it with him as he drove away.

He said that WILDONER is a very intelligent young man who is presently a salesman of restaurant equipment. He is a white male, about 35 years of age, and now resides in Chambersburg, Pa. He was unable to furnish his exact address, however gained the impression from his discussion with WILDONER that he lives in a very nice neighborhood in Chambersburg.



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It is suggested that WILDONER be interviewed concerning the recent developments involving KENNEDY. OAKMAN desired that his name be kept confidential.

*Frank A. & Beverly A.  
Seavey Rockwell*

*970 Scotland Ave  
Frank A. Jr  
Beverly Anthony*

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI  
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (p)  
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Detroit teletype to Bureau and Los Angeles  
dated 6/5/68.

On 6/6/68 HOWARD TWINNING, Clerk, Record Office,  
U. S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., furnished the following  
information from the U. S. Penitentiary file for former  
inmate JOSE MANUEL CARBALLO FUENTES, USP No. 18081-NE,  
FBI No. 1884978:

FUENTES was sentenced 12/23/46 in the District of  
San Juan, Puerto Rico, to a term of three years for theft  
from the mails, forging payee's signature on Treasury checks,  
and probation violation. He was committed to the Federal  
Correctional Institution, Tallahassee, Fla., 7/20/49.  
Upon expiration of his sentence in the Territorial Penitentiary,  
Ries Piedras, Puerto Rico, he was transferred to the U. S.  
Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pa., 9/7/49, and was granted a  
conditional release on 7/9/51. The following description  
was obtained from the file:

Name	JOSE MANUEL CARBALLO FUENTES
Race	White
DOBs	6/19/24 and 9/27/21
POB	Caguas, Puerto Rico

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Height	5'7"
Weight	137 pounds
Complexion	Dark
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Black
Scars and Marks	Scar on left eyebrow; 2" scar on left knee; A tattoo of a woman's head with the initials MCC underneath right upper arm.

Since there is no indication FUENTES is connected with captioned matter, no further action being taken.

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TO : SAC

FROM : E. R. ALEGADO

SUBJECT: KENSALT

DATE: 6/6/68

On 6/6/68 Reverend LESLEY CARNEY, 223 Magnolia Drive, Levittown, Pa., phone 945 3125, furnished the following information:

A member of his congregation named Mrs. ANNE REEVES, 19 Patricia Lane, Trenton, N.J. (Hamilton Township), stated to him that her neighbor Mrs. CATHERINE CATOOF had been to a New York Hospital to visit with her brother, name unknown.

While Mrs. CATOOF was visiting with her brother, he had asked her if Senator ROBERT KENNEDY had been shot. When she replied no, he then said that he will be by the fifth of June.

The brother had flown to New York from Haiti; his nationality is Lebanese.

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ON SIX SIX SIXTYEIGHT REV. LESLEY CARNEY, TWO TWO THREE  
MAGNOLIA DRIVE, LEVITTOWN, PA., PHONE NINE FOUR FIVE, THREE ONE  
TWO FIVE, FURNISHED FOLLOWING INFO:

A MEMBER OF HIS CONGREGATION, MRS. ANNE REEVES, NINETEEN  
PATRICIA LANE, TRENTON, N.J. PAREN HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, END PAREN,  
STATED TO HIM THAT HER NEIGHBOR, MRS. CATHERINE CATOOF, HAD BEEN  
TO A NEW YORK HOSPITAL TO VISIT WITH HER BROTHER, NAME UNKNOWN.

WHILE MRS. CATOOF WAS VISITING WITH HER BROTHER, HE HAD  
ASKED HER IF SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY HAD BEEN SHOT. WHEN SHE  
REPLIED NO, HE THEN SAID THAT HE WILL BE BY THE FIFTH OF JUNE.

THE BROTHER HAD FLOWN TO NEW YORK FROM HAITI, HIS NATIONALITY  
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NEWARK AT TRENTON: WILL INTERVIEW MRS. ANNE REEVES AND MRS.  
CATHERINE CATOOF.

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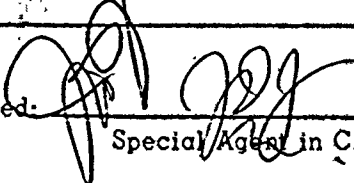
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FROM : SAA James H. McLaughlin

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J. Robert Bangerk, 911 Grant St.,  
Tel. # CU 98698 employed by Hennis  
Freight Co., Phila. called and advised  
he believes possibility exists that  
Senator Kennedy's shooting is related  
to labor union and James Hoffa  
since they were such enemies.

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FROM : SAA James H. McLaughlin

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Mrs Sylvia Sklar, 2100 Fremont St., Phila.,  
Tel. # OR 65739, called and advised:

Her neighbor Marie O'Neill, 1925 Fuller  
St., Phila., tel. # SI 27648 told her in A.M.  
of 6/5/68 that she, O'Neill, watched T.V.  
late Tues night inasmuch as her  
husband works at night. She was  
watching channel 3 or 6 at 4:45 AM  
on 6/5/68 concerning the newscast of  
senator Robert Kennedy. She saw in  
one part of the telecast, immediately following  
the shooting, a woman dressed in a polka  
dot dress run up to another woman and  
shout "We shot him, we shot him." The other  
unidentified woman asked the polka dot  
dressed woman "who" and she then replied,  
Robert Kennedy.

The newscast requested any  
knowledge concerning the polka dot  
to contact LA authorities.

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REVIEW OF MATERIAL FOUND IN ROOM OF SIRHAN BISHARA  
SIRHAN, ASSAILANT OF ROBERT F. KENNEDY, INDICATES HE MAY HAVE  
USED THE ALIAS "GHATTAS." MAKE APPROPRIATE INDICIES AND CRIMINAL  
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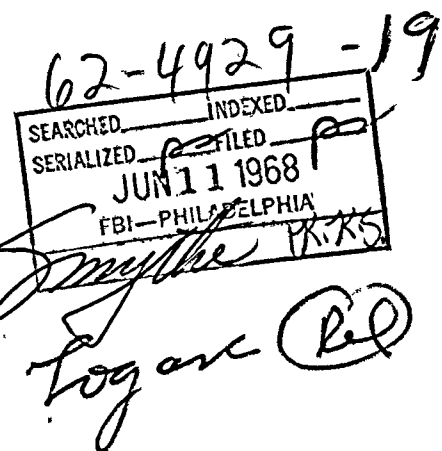
Re Bureau teletype to all SACs dated 6/7/68.

The following investigation was conducted by SA HUGH C. NORTON:

At Pottsville, Pa.

On 6/10/68 Sgt. HAROLD BUTZ, Pottsville PD, stated the files of that department contain no information concerning anyone using the name "GHATTAS", an alias possibly used by SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

It is noted that Sgt. BUTZ previously advised that the files of that department contain no information concerning SIR SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, aka Shirhan Bishara Shiphan.



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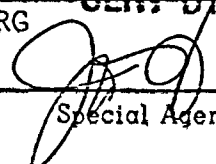
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ON JUNE TWELVE, SIXTYEIGHT, MRS. AGNES PARRISH, FIVE  
FOURTEEN EAST OAK ST., APT. F, OJAI, CALIF., WHO IS EMPLOYED  
AT VENTURA COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY, NINE SEVEN THREE FRONT ST.,  
VENTURA, AND PRESENTLY VISITING HER DAUGHTER, MRS. SHELDON  
STAHL, SEVEN NINE ZERO ONE HENRY AVE., APT. B ONE ZERO FIVE,  
PHILA., PHONE IV THREE SIX NINE FIVE TWO, CALLED THIS OFFICE  
TO REPORT THE FOLLOWING:

PARRISH MANAGED THE STARLITE APT. HOUSE, SIXTEEN THIRTYFIVE  
N. HORBART BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CALIF., DURING JULY SIXTYSEVEN  
AND DURING PERIOD JUNE THRU AUG. SIXTYSEVEN, TWO UNKNOWN ARAB  
MEN RENTED APT. AT STARLITE. THEY ROOMED IN EITHER ~~APT. TWENTY~~  
OR TWENTYONE.

PARRISH ADVISED SHE BELIEVES, AFTER SEEING ~~PICTURE OF~~  
SIRHAN SIRHAN IN PAPER, THAT HE WAS ONE OF MANY THAT VISITED THESE  
MEN ON NUMEROUS OCCASIONS DURING PERIOD SHE MANAGED APT. THESE

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MEN, ALONG WITH OTHERS, TOOK PART IN NUMEROUS DEMONSTRATIONS  
CONDUCTED IN LOS ANGELES AGAINST THE ARAB-ISRAELI WAR.

PARRISH ADVISED THE STARLITE IS OWNED BY HAROLD GERSHMAN  
AND THAT A REVIEW OF THE REGISTER WOULD SHOW THE NAME OF THE TWO  
ARAB MEN.

SHE ADVISED SHE WILL RETURN TO HER APT. IN OJAI ON  
JUNE EIGHTEEN AND WOULD FURNISH ANY ADDITIONAL INFO. SHE CAN  
RECALL.

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# Sirhan Sirhan: Portrait of an Accused Assassin

LOS ANGELES (UPI). — Sirhan Bishara Sirhan, says a woman who worked with him in a health food store, is honest, goodhearted and a hard worker, but "a fanatic when it came to discussion of religion and politics."

The owner of the shop where Sirhan worked until April said, "You had to be careful not to walk on his feet. He wanted you to respect him intellectually."

Sirhan, 24, a native of Jordan, is under arrest as the accused assassin of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy.

BY ALL ACCOUNTS, Sirhan is an intelligent, articulate and unusually friendly immigrant, but he professed a longstanding hatred of the Jewish state of Israel.

Los Angeles Mayor Sam Yorty reported at a news conference yesterday that an entry in Sirhan's diary last month said "Kennedy has to be assassinated before June 5, 1968." That date was the first anniversary of the start of the six-day war in the Middle East.

Yorty said the diary also contained comments criticizing Kennedy and such phrases as "long live Nasser," a reference to Gamal Abdel Nasser, President of the United Arab Republic and dominant figure among the Arab nations in con-

lict with Israel.

The Mayor's office also reported that Sirhan carried a clipping of a newspaper column suggesting that Kennedy was inconsistent in opposing the Vietnam war while supporting U. S. aid to Israel to match the Soviet building of military strength in Arab states.

A HIGH SCHOOL classmate now living in Mexico City recalled that though Sirhan had a five o'clock shadow, he was fastidious about always wearing a clean white shirt. When police arrested Sirhan early yesterday he was wearing blue jeans and a rumpled colored shirt.

The high school classmate also

recalled that Sirhan was a shy, sensitive lad. "Sirhan wouldn't hurt a fly," she said.

When police arrested Sirhan they said he had a .22-caliber pistol, and witnesses said he had just used it to pump a bullet deep into Kennedy's brain.

Neighbors said he was a high school graduate who had attended Pasadena City College.

John H. Weidner, Jr., owner of the health food store, said Sirhan told him he had to flee Jordan as a child and had seen Jews kill members of his family.

"He was not a citizen and didn't like the United States," Weidner said. "You had to be careful not to walk on his feet. He wanted you to respect him intellectually."

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**JUSTICE DEPARTMENT** records in Washington showed Sirhan had been one of a family of eight Jordanians admitted to the U. S. for permanent residence. None was ever naturalized.

Sirhan and six other members of the family arrived in New York Jan. 12, 1957, a few months after the Suez crisis, one of the major outbreaks in the series of conflicts between Israel and the Arab nations.

The family consisted of a father, mother, five sons and one daughter. The father has returned to the Middle East, and Sirhan's sister is dead.

Mrs. Elsie Boyko, who worked with Sirhan at the store, said he was "a hard worker, honest and goodhearted, but nonetheless fanatic when it came to discussion of religion and politics."

High school classmates called him a good student and a polite one.

**SIRHAN, WHO** refused to discuss the shooting, was identified

by his brother, Munir, to whom the gun had been traced.

Los Angeles Police Chief Thomas Reddin said Sirhan was calm under questioning and wanted to talk about everything except the shooting.

"If I were to judge him on the basis of our conversation, and that were the only basis, I would say he was a gentleman," Reddin said.

Alvin Clark, a neighbor, said Sirhan recently received an \$1100 settlement for an injury suffered when he was thrown from a horse. He had worked as a race track exercise boy.

At the time of his arrest, Sirhan

had four \$100 bills and about \$10 in smaller bills and change.

**HE WAS** held at Los Angeles police headquarters until about 7 A.M. and then taken without fanfare to the Hall of Justice two blocks away for arraignment. Then he was taken to the county jail.

A Justice Department spokesman said Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark had telephoned Reddin three times to insist on security for Sirhan.

"The security is so tight there that only the Sheriff and a few guards know where he is," Reddin said. "Even I don't know exactly where he is."