

OWEN GAVE VIOLENT REACTION INDICATING STATEMENTS NOT TRUE.

OFFICERS LEARNED THAT OWEN PLANNING A RELIGIOUS EVANGELICAL TOUR WITH SLAPSIE MAXIE ROSENBLOOM AND BELIEVE THIS MAY BE PUBLICITY BUILDUP FOR THIS TOUR. DAVIS AND OWEN WERE ADVISED OF COURT ORDER CONCERNING DISCUSSION THIS CASE. DAVIS ADVISED IN VIEW OF ORDER WOULD NOT MAKE FURTHER PRESS RELEASES RE THIS MATTER. LATER DETERMINED THAT ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE THREE LAST, AFTER INTERVIEW WITH OFFICERS AND KNOWING OF COURT ORDER, DAVIS MADE NEWS RELEASE WHICH APPEARED ON LOS ANGELES CHANNEL FOUR AT ELEVEN PM JULY FOUR LAST INDICATING MORE CONVINCED THAN EVER THAT SHOOTING WAS A CONSPIRACY AND THAT ATTEMPT WAS MADE TO MAKE HIS CLIENT GETAWAY DRIVER IN SHOOTING. LAPD CHECKED WITH CHANNEL FOUR TO DETERMINE IF RELEASE MADE AFTER OR PRIOR TO INTERVIEW BY OFFICERS AND IT WAS DETERMINED RELEASE MADE WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON, JUNE THREE LAST, SUBSEQUENT TO INTERVIEW OF DAVIS AND OWEN. LAPD INDICATED OWEN NOT EXPECTED TO RETURN TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA AS DOES NOT WANT TO BE AWAY FROM HIS ATTORNEY. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, SUGGESTED THAT NO ATTEMPT BE MADE TO INTERVIEW OWEN UNLESS HE CAN BE INTERVIEWED OUT OF THE PRESENCE OF HIS ATTORNEY GEORGE DAVIS AND AWAY FROM OFFICE OF DAVIS. UACB, SAN FRANCISCO ATTEMPT INTERVIEW OWEN OBSERVING THESE CONDITIONS.

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AIR MAIL

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) *-P-*
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Pittsburgh airtel to Bureau, 6/28/68, and San Francisco letter to Chicago, 5/31/68, re DICK GREGORY.

A review of San Francisco file 157-457 re GREGORY reveals he was in the San Francisco area on a speaking tour in the month of April. He spoke at Salinas, Monterey, Berkeley and San Mateo, California. He also made a brief visit to HUEY NEWTON, Minister of Defense of the Black Panther Party who is awaiting trial on charges of murdering an Oakland policeman. His speeches were covered by Bureau Agents or Informants. There is no indication in the file that GREGORY made any tapes with local television stations. No further action being taken by San Francisco.

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- 1 - Chicago (157-347 DICK GREGORY) (Info.)
- 1 - Pittsburgh (44-538) (Info.)
- ① - San Francisco (62-5481)

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July 5, 1968

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To: SAC, LOS ANGELES

From: DIRECTOR, FBI

KENSALT

RE SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO BUREAU AND LOS ANGELES
JULY FOUR LAST.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE SHOULD MAKE IMMEDIATE ARRANGEMENTS
TO INTERVIEW OWEN UPON HIS ARRIVAL IN THE LOS ANGELES AREA.

MAIL COPY SENT SAN FRANCISCO.

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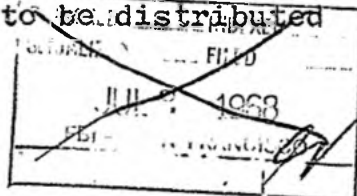
On July 1, 1968, Lic. Norberto Salinas Navarette, Federal District Attorney, Juarez, Mexico, advised that ██████████ had been found to be psychotic and on receipt of specific instructions from Mexico City, ██████████ had been interned at the General Hospital for the Insane, Juarez, Mexico. Salinas noted he had made a recommendation that ██████████ be sent to another institution more adequately equipped to handle juveniles, and he was advised that any decision in this regard would necessarily have to be made by the administrator of the hospital.

Salinas recalled that ██████████ on realizing what he had done by attracting so much attention to himself, openly admitted the entire story was a hoax, and he readily criticized newspaper reporters, administration officials, and police officers for being so gullible as to believe this fantastic story.

On July 5, 1968, Salinas advised that ██████████ while in solitary confinement at the General Hospital for the Insane, had put together a rope from the mattress material located in his room and he hung himself. He was discovered dead at approximately 7:45 p.m. on the evening of July 4, 1968, by an attendant of the hospital.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587)
FROM: SAC, EL PASO (173-24) (P)
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re El Paso airtel to the Bureau, 6/18/68.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are 14 copies of an LHM captioned "██████████" including two copies LHM for transmittal to Legat, Mexico, and one copy for Bufile 105-168622.

Enclosed for Los Angeles and San Francisco are two copies each of 2 LHM.

One copy of enclosed LHM is being disseminated locally to the following agencies: U.S. Secret Service, El Paso; 112th MI Group and G-2, Ft. Bliss, Texas; OSI, Biggs Field, Ft. Bliss; ONI, El Paso; and USINS, El Paso.

R-88 Death Notice form submitted to the Identification Division.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (62-587) & LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)

KENSALT

RE: INTERVIEW OF JERRY OWEN.

RE: SAN FRANCISCO TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DATED JULY THREE, LAST, LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO BUREAU JULY FIVE, LAST, AND BUREAU TELETYPE TO LOS ANGELES JULY FIVE, LAST.

OLIVER B. OWEN, AKA JERRY, INTERVIEWED IN FBI OFFICE FROM ONE TO THREE FIFTEEN P.M. OWEN ARRIVED AT OFFICE WITH BEN HARDISTER AND WESLEY GARDNER WHO WERE ACTING AS BODY GUARDS. OWEN WAS INTERVIEWED OUT OF THE PRESENCE OF THESE TWO.

AT OUTSET OF INTERVIEW OWEN ADVISED ON CONCLUSION OF HIS INTERVIEW BY LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS IN SAN FRANCISCO ON JULY THREE, LAST, HE INFORMED THEM HE WAS TO SEE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE FBI AND THEY STATED THAT THEY WOULD RATHER HE DID NOT TALK TO THE FBI BUT COULD NOT STOP HIM IF HE DESIRED TO DO SO.

OWEN FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

ON JUNE THREE, LAST, WHILE IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES

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ON BUSINESS BETWEEN THREE THIRTY AND FOUR P.M., HE WAS DRIVING ON HILL STREET AND STOPPED AT A STOP LIGHT PRIOR TO TURNING ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD. HE WAS DRIVING A NINETEEN FORTY-TWO CHEVROLET PICK-UP TRUCK WITH A PALAMINO HORSE ORNAMENT ON THE HOOD. TWO YOUNG MEN APPROACHED THE TRUCK AND THE TALLER OF THE TWO ASKED IF HE WAS GOING OUT WILSHIRE BOULEVARD AND WHEN HE INDICATED HE WAS THIS INDIVIDUAL ASKED IF THEY COULD RIDE IN BACK OF THE PICK-UP TO WHICH OWEN AGREED. HE DESCRIBES THESE INDIVIDUALS AS FOLLOWS:

NUMBER ONE: AGE EARLY TWENTIES, FIVE FOOT EIGHT TO FIVE FOOT TEN, SLENDER BUILD, ~~BLACK~~ ^{LATIN Black} HAIR SLIGHTLY BUSHY, DARK COMPLEXION, APEEARING TO BE OF ~~BLACK~~ ^{LATIN} AMERICAN ORIGIN WEARING SANDLES, TWO TONE MEXICAN TYPE JACKET POSSIBLY A VEST, AND A MEDALLION.

NUMBER TWO: AGE EARLY TWENTIES, ABOUT FIVE THREE, SLENDER BUILD, DARK BUSHY HAIR, DARK COMPLEXION WITH LATIN AMERICAN APPEARANCE, DRESSED IN DARK COLORED ~~KAKI~~ ^{LEVI} LEVI TYPE PANTS, DARK GRAY SWEATSHIRT AND TENNIS SHOES.

THEY PROCEEDED WEST ON WILSHIRE BOULEVARD. AT THE INTERSECTION OF WILSHIRE AND VERMONT, OWEN STOPPED FOR A TRAFFIC LIGHT, AND AS HE DID SO, BOTH MEN GOT OUT OF THE

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TRUCK. NUMBER ONE WENT DIRECTLY TO A BUS STOP NEAR WHERE THE TRUCK STOPPED AND GREETED A MAN AND WOMAN. THE MAN WAS ABOUT THIRTY TO FORTY, A DARK COMPLETED INDIVIDUAL, POSSIBLY MEXICAN AND THE WOMAN WAS DRESSED IN SLACKS WITH LONG DIRTY BLOND HAIR, WITH LIGHT COMPLEXION. NUMBER TWO STARTED TO FOLLOW NUMBER ONE BUT TURNED AROUND AND CAME BACK TO THE TRUCK. HE STARTED TO OPEN THE DOOR AND ASKED TO RIDE UP FRONT TO GO TOWARD HOLLYWOOD. WHEN OWENS NODDED YES, HE CLIMBED IN THE FRONT SEAT. THEY PROCEEDED ON LEAVING NUMBER ONE AT THE BUS STOP. NUMBER TWO ASKED IF OWEN OWNED HORSES AND OWEN SAID THAT HE DID. NUMBER TWO REMARKED THAT HE USED TO WORK AT A RACE TRACK AND NEEDED A HORSE. OWEN OFFERED TO SELL HIM A HORSE FOR THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS. NUMBER TWO SEEMED INTERESTED IN BUYING A HORSE AND ASKED IF OWEN COULD STOP A MINUTE SO HE COULD SEE A FRIEND WHO WORKED IN A KITCHEN NEARBY WHERE THEY WERE AT THE MOMENT. OWEN TURNED OFF WILSHIRE ON TO A SIDE STREET THE NAME WHICH HE DOES NOT KNOW. HE DESCRIBED THE STREET AS DEAD END SEVERAL BLOCKS LONG. HE PARKED AND WAITED WHILE NUMBER TWO WENT TO SEE HIS FRIEND.

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AFTER TEN MINUTES HE DECIDED TO LEAVE AND AS HE WAS TURNING THE TRUCK AROUND, HE OBSERVED NUMBER TWO COME THROUGH AN OPEN GATE IN A FENCE BEHIND WHICH WAS A TALL BUILDING WITH MANY ROOMS. OWEN WAS LATER ADVISED BY A POLICE OFFICER OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY STATION, THAT THIS WAS THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL. WHEN NUMBER TWO GOT BACK IN THE TRUCK OWEN ASKED IF HE WAS MEXICAN AND HE TOLD HIM HE WAS FROM JORDAN SAYING HE EITHER HAD COME FROM JORDAN THIRTEEN YEARS AGO OR WHEN HE WAS THIRTEEN YEARS OLD. OWEN DOES NOT RECALL WHICH. NUMBER TWO SAID HIS NAME WAS JOE AND GAVE A SURNAME WHICH OWEN DID NOT CATCH BUT BELIEVED IT SOUNDED LIKE ZAHARIAS. AFTER MAKING ONE STOP NEAR HOLLYWOOD MARKET TO VISIT A SHOE AND TAYLOR SHOP OWEN CONTINUED ON WILSHIRE UNTIL NUMBER TWO ASKED TO BE LET OUT NEAR A BOWLING ALLEY AND GO-GO TOPLESS BAR ON WILSHIRE. AT THAT TIME, NUMBER TWO AGREED TO MEET OWEN AT ELEVEN P.M. ON THE SAME CORNER AT WHICH TIME HE WOULD HAVE THE MONEY TO BUY THE HORSE.

AT APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN P.M., OWEN WENT TO THE AGREED MEETING PLACE AND OBSERVED A NINETEEN FIFTY-EIGHT OR

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FIFTY-NINE CHEVROLET, OFF WHITE IN COLOR, IN WHICH THERE WERE THREE MEN AND A GIRL. OWEN BELIEVES ONE OF THE MEN AND THE GIRL MAY HAVE BEEN THE COUPLE NUMBER ONE WAS TALKING TO EARLIER AT THE BUS STOP. HE COULD NOT GET A GOOD LOOK AT THE SECOND MAN IN THE CAR. NUMBER TWO CAME OVER TO THE TRUCK AND SHOWED HIM A ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR BILL SAYING HE WOULD HAVE THE REST OF THE MONEY THE NEXT DAY IN THE EARLY MORNING. OWEN SAID HE WOULD BE STAYING AT THE ST. MARK'S OR ST. MARTIN HOTEL WHICH WAS NEARBY AND WHICH HE POINTED OUT TO NUMBER TWO. NUMBER TWO SAID HE WOULD MEET AT EIGHT A.M. THE NEXT MORNING. AT ABOUT EIGHT A.M. JUNE FOUR, LAST, HE RECEIVED A TELEPHONE CALL IN HIS ROOM AT THE HOTEL ASKING IF HE WAS THE MAN WITH THE PICK-UP AND THE HORSE. OWEN ACKNOWLEDGED HE WAS AND SAID HE WOULD MEET HIM AT THE TRUCK. AS OWEN WAS GOING TO THE TRUCK HE SAW THE SAME CAR AS BEFORE PARKED AT THE CURB AND NUMBER ^{ONE} AND THE GIRL WHOM HE SAW BEFORE, WERE SITTING IN THE CAR. THE MAN WHO HAD BEEN AT THE BUS STOP WAS STANDING AT THE TRUCK AND AS OWEN APPROACHED, HE SAID, JOE COULD NOT MAKE IT. HE OFFERED OWEN A ONE HUNDRED DOLLAR BILL AND ASKED IF HE COULD BRING THE HORSE TO THE

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SAME LOCATION THAT NIGHT AT WHICH TIME THE REMAINDER OF THE MONEY WOULD BE AVAILABLE. OWEN ADVISED HE COULD NOT DO THIS BECAUSE OF PRIOR COMMITMENT. OWEN GAVE THE MAN HIS BUSINESS CARD WITH HIS HOME ADDRESS AND UNLISTED PHONE NUMBER AND REQUESTED JOE CALL HIM IF HE WAS INTERESTED IN THE HORSE. OWEN THEN WENT ON TO OXNARD, CALIFORNIA, ON BUSINESS AND RETURNED TO LOS ANGELES IN THE MORNING OF JUNE FIVE, LAST.

HE WENT TO THE COLISEUM HOTEL TO SEE A MAN NAMED BERT WHO OWNS THE RESTAURANT AND BAR IN THE HOTEL. WHILE THERE, HE PASSED A TELEVISION SET WHERE INFORMATION WAS BEING GIVEN CONCERNING THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. DURING THE COURSE OF THIS, A PICTURE OF THE ALLEGED ASSASSIN WAS SHOWN. HE IMMEDIATELY NOTICED THE PICTURE LOOKED LIKE THE MAN JOE HE PICKED UP IN HIS TRUCK JUNE THREE, LAST. HE ALSO OBTAINED A COPY OF THE "HOLLYWOOD CITIZEN NEWS" WHICH CONTAINED A PICTURE OF SIRHAN B. SIRHAN WHICH HE NOTED LOOKED LIKE JOE.

HE MENTIONED THIS TO BERT WHO SUGGESTED HE GO TO THE UNIVERSITY STATION, LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT,

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AND TELL THEM WHAT HAD OCCURRED. HE DID THIS AND FURNISHED THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT THE SAME INFORMATION AS ABOVE.

ON JUNE SIX, LAST, HIS WIFE AND DAUGHTER BOTH ANSWERED TELEPHONE CALLS RECEIVED AT HIS RESIDENCE IN SANTA ANA AND ON EACH OCCASION THE PERSON CALLING HUNG UP WITHOUT SAYING ANYTHING. WHEN THE PHONE RANG THE THIRD TIME, HE ANSWERED AND THE CALLER SAID, "KEEP YOUR MOTHER BLANKETY BLANK MOUTH SHUT ABOUT THE HORSE DEAL". HE BELIEVES THE CALLER WAS A MAN BUT HIS VOICE WAS NOT FAMILIAR.

ON JUNE TWENTY-TWO, LAST, HE RECEIVED A SECOND CALL AT HIS RESIDENCE WITH THE CALLER SAYING, "KEEP YOUR MOTHER BLANKETY BLANK MOUTH SHUT OR YOUR FAMILY MAY BE HURT".

OWEN CAME TO THE SAN FRANCISCO AREA ON JUNE TWENTY-SEVEN, LAST, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS MADE WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS TO MEET WITH LIEUTENANT L. L. SANDLER IN PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA ON JUNE TWENTY-NINE, LAST, HE SAW HARDISTER IN OAKLAND ON JUNE TWENTY-EIGHT, LAST, AND DISCUSSED WITH

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HIM THE MEETING WITH SANDLIN. HARDISTER DID NOT THINK IT WISE TO MEET SANDLIN IN VIEW OF THE THREAT INASMUCH AS HE DID NOT KNOW SANDLIN AND THE APPOINTMENT MIGHT BE A TRAP. HARDISTER AND OWEN ALSO DISCUSSED THIS WITH GARDNER AN EX-DEPUTY SHIRIFF AND GEORGE T. DAVIS, A SAN FRANCISCO ATTORNEY. IN LINE WITH THEIR ADVICE, HE DID NOT MEET SANDLIN AND LATER DETERMINED THERE WAS A SANDLIN WITH THE LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT WHO HAD CHANGED HIS MIND ABOUT MEETING OWEN IN PALO ALTO.

OWEN PRESENTLY IS STAYING AT THE RANCH OF HARDISTER AND IS NOT CERTAIN WHERE HE WILL GO FROM THERE BUT SAID HE MAY GO TO A CHURCH CAMP NEAR ESKDALE, UTAH, ACROSS THE UTAH LINE FROM ELY, NEVADA, WITH HIS FAMILY.

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KENNEDY MURDER WITNESS—

Mystery Man Leaves Napa

A Southern California minister who has been hiding out in Napa County the past few days because he knows too much about the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy left the Napa area this morning.

In an early morning interview with The Napa Register, the minister, who wants his name kept a secret, said he has been trying to get some type of official protection since receiving threaten-

ing telephone calls subsequent to the senator's death. The Register has remained silent on the subject until the minister's departure from the area.

The minister's story began on Monday prior to the California primary election and the assassination. That day he said he left home in Orange County to go to Oxnard in an old truck to pick up some Shetland ponies. (He uses ponies in his work with youngsters, he said.)

At an intersection in downtown Los Angeles, he said, two men appearing to be of Latin descent, stepped to the truck and one started to climb into the back. One he described as about five feet, eight or nine inches and slender, the other a much "shorter boy."

The two asked for a ride and since one was already in the truck, the minister consented. Later the truck stopped again and the two got out to talk to a "arty blonde," white girl

about 19 or 20, and an older man (about 35) who also was "Latinish looking."

The minister continues that the shorter boy came back to the truck and got into the cab. As they drove on they started talking about horses and the youth said he had worked around race tracks and could get a good job if he had a horse. The minister told the youth he had a Palomino in Oxnard he would sell for \$300. The youth appeared interested.

The youth then asked the minister to stop because he had to see someone in a kitchen. The truck was pulled into a service station near the kitchen entrance of the Ambassador Hotel where Kennedy was shot the following evening.

About 10 minutes later the youth returned and the trip was resumed. They talked more about horses. The minister said the youth spoke good English and told him he was Jordanian and — the minister can't remember for certain — had been in this country for 13 years or since he was 13 years old.

The youth continued his interest in the minister's Palomino horse and said he would have the money that evening. The minister promised to meet him on Sunset Boulevard at 11 p.m. It was then about 5 p.m., the minister said.

That evening the minister went to the scene where he was to meet the youth. He saw an older model car, 1958 or 1959, with the little guy, the girl and the older man he had seen earlier that afternoon.

The youth approached him and said he had a \$100 bill and would have the rest at 8 a.m. the next day (Tuesday). The minister said he agreed and would check into a small hotel nearby, which he did.

About 7:30 a.m. the next day he received a call and when he went to the parking lot, he was met by the older man who was now "dressed to kill." He said "Joe couldn't make it," and offered him a \$100 bill and asked if at 11 p.m. he would have the horse and trailer at the same spot near the Ambassador Hotel where he had stopped the previous day. The minister said he

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couldn't make it because he had to "preach" at Oxnard. At that time the minister again saw the girl and the "slender man" he had seen the day before.

The minister then gave him one of his business cards with an unlisted phone number and asked that he be contacted later about the sale. On the card, the minister said, are the words, "The Shepherd of the Hills."

The following day (Wednesday) the minister said he had not heard of the assassination when he stopped in a restaurant to see a friend.

The waitress told him of the shooting at the Ambassador Hotel and later while talking to his friend, he saw Sirhan's picture on the television screen. He told his friend immediately that this was the young man who had wanted to buy his horse.

The friend urged the minister to go to the police, which he did. He said he spent two hours with the officers and learned that Sirhan had \$400 in bills on him when captured.

On Thursday afternoon after Sen. Kennedy died, the minister said he received a telephone call from a man who asked "Are you the shepherd?" He then was told to keep his mouth shut about the horse deal. A similar call was received about two weeks later, he said.

The minister says he now believes the assassination was a plot and he and his horse trailer were to be used in the getaway after the shooting.

Later, he said, he was contacted by telephone by a man who said he was a detective with the Los Angeles police department. He told the man he had to come to the Bay Area and the detective said he, too, had to be in this area the past weekend and would contact him here. The minister gave him his brother's telephone number and that of San Francisco attorney, George T. Davis, who the minister says he has known since 1937.

In Oakland, the minister looked up an old friend, Ben Hardister, whom he visited for a time. The next day he called his wife in Orange County and was told the

LA detective had called his home and wanted to meet with him in Palo Alto. While waiting for Hardister, he said he read about witnesses in the Ray case (Ray charged with killing Martin Luther King) disappearing and began thinking of the threatening telephone calls he had received. He said he later told Hardister the story and Hardister brought him to Napa County where they contacted Wesley Gardner who has a private detective license.

Gardner advised the minister not to keep the appointment until they learned more about the man.

Gardner contacted the FBI in Vallejo and asked them to check on a Sgt. L. L. Sandlin who supposedly was with the LA police. Late the following afternoon (Saturday) they received an answer, but no clear information. Calls then went out to Assemblyman Jesse Unruh, who apparently got action. A call from LA police confirmed that a Sandlin was with the department, but had decided not to keep the appointment in Palo Alto because of the jurisdiction. In the meantime, Attorney Davis kept trying to get the minister some type of official protection. And Gardner and Hardister were retained to provide private protection.

This morning, prior to leaving Napa, the minister, Gardner and Hardister spoke with Davis on the telephone. Arrangements were made to leave the Napa area and go elsewhere since news stories in other papers had appeared Monday identifying Hardister and the Napa Valley connection. Whether he will get the official protection and whether his testimony will be used in trying to establish a plot are still unanswered questions. But there is one thing he says he knows for sure: "If I had it all to do over, I'd just say skip it, and never tell anyone of ever having seen Sirhan."



AN ORANGE County minister who could be an important witness in establishing a plot in the assassination of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy confers this morning with Wesley Gardner and Ben Hardister who have been retained, at least temporarily, to provide protection for the evangelist. The minister left the county today after other news stories pinpointed his whereabouts in Napa County. (Register Photo)

7/9/68

AIRTEL

A IRMAIL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)(P)
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Los Angeles airtel to New York, 7/3/68.

M. SAFOUH AL-AKHRASS, 911 - 9th Street, Albany, California, advised this date that the National Organization of Arab Students has seven national officers:

1. President - ZIYAD HURSAMI, 725 Lawrenceville, Trenton, New Jersey, 609-883-1945
2. Vice-president - WALID KHADDUR, 1414 - 17th Street, N.W., Apartment 200, Washington, D.C., 202-483-5249.
3. Treasurer - name not known
4. Chapter Chairman - M. SAFOUH AL-AKHRASS
5. Secretary - name not known
6. Cultural Chairman - name not known
7. Publications Chairman - name not known.

AL-AKHRASS stated there are approximately 120 local chapters of the Organization of Arab Students (OAS) in the United States; however, all of the local chapters are not necessarily members of the national organization. AL-AKHRASS stated that he has talked to the national president regarding SIRHAN SIRHAN, the alleged assassin of ROBERT F. KENNEDY and neither he nor the president of OAS ever heard of SIRHAN SIRHAN before the assassination of KENNEDY.

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AL-AKHRASS stated he has been advised by the president of OAS that SIRHAN SIRHAN has never been a member of the National OAS nor has he been a member of any local chapter affiliated with the national organization. AL-AKHRASS further advised that he personally telephoned the president of the local chapter of OAS at Pasadena, California, and was advised that SIRHAN SIRHAN has not been a member of the local Pasadena chapter of OAS.

AL-AKHRASS stated that the National OAS made a press release, dated June 5, 1968, disclaiming any knowledge of SIRHAN SIRHAN and this press release states that SIRHAN SIRHAN has not been a member of the national or local organization of the OAS. AL-AKHRASS furnished a copy of the press release which will be included in the FD 302 which will follow.

SAC, LOS ANGELES

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OO: Los Angeles

Enclosed herewith for the Los Angeles and Miami Divisions are two copies each of photostatic copies of letter addressed to Chief of Homicide, San Francisco Police Department, San Francisco, California, signed ANDREW A. CAFFEY.

The enclosed letter is being furnished to the Los Angeles and Miami Divisions for information purposes, and for any action, if any, deemed advisable.

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (RUC)

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Enclosed for Los Angeles are ²²~~nine~~ copies each of FD-302s for the following interviews:

LOWELL J. BEAN, 6/19/68.
M. SAFOUH AL-AKHRASS, 7/9/68.
WILLIAM B. DABNEY, 7/9/68.
OLIVER B. OWEN, 7/8/68.

In addition to the information furnished in the FD-302, OWEN advised he came to San Francisco in late June on a weekend and just before leaving had received a call from a Lt. SANDLIN of the Los Angeles Police Department saying that he wanted to talk to him concerning this matter again. OWEN told SANDLIN that he was on his way to a church in Oakland and could be reached through his brother in San Bruno, whose name and telephone number he gave to the police officer. SANDLIN advised that he would be in Palo Alto that same weekend.

When OWEN arrived in the Bay Area he contacted BEN HARDISTER and advised him of the information concerning the hitchhiker. He talked to his wife while staying at HARDISTER's ranch and she told him that SANDLIN had called and advised he would be staying at the Hyatt House in Palo Alto. He told HARDISTER of this, who advised him not to go inasmuch as he did not know nor had met SANDLIN, and HARDISTER suggested that it could be a trap. HARDISTER called the FBI and asked them to check out SANDLIN. He then got in touch with his attorney, GEORGE T. DAVIS, who checked with the Hyatt House and determined there was no one there by the name of SANDLIN. Numerous calls were originated by DAVIS in an

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attempt to ascertain who SANDLIN was. Later that weekend it was learned that a team of detectives from Los Angeles were coming to the Bay Area.

OWEN concluded the interview by stating that he could be reached through his attorney and believed that he would probably be taking a vacation at a camp near Esk-Dale, Utah, near the Nevada-Utah border. He could be reached there through an attorney, PAUL FABER, of Salt Lake City, whose phone number in that city is area 801 278-1079 or 328-4767.

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Date: 7/22/68

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)
FROM: *WMS* SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
SUBJECT: *D* KENSALT

RE: INTERVIEW PHILIP L. CLEVINGER

Re San Francisco teletype to Los Angeles 6/15/68.

San Francisco is requested to forward Los Angeles
either a stencil or 22 copies of FD 302 reflecting interview
with PHILIP L. CLEVINGER.

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7/24/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)

KENSALT

RE: INTERVIEW PHILIP L. CLEVINGER

Re LA airtel to SF, 7/22/68.

Enclosed is stencil and proof sheet re interview of
PHILIP L. CLEVINGER, as requested in reairtel.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
SUBJECT: KENSAJF

Re San Francisco airtel to Los Angeles dated 6/20/68, with enclosure of one copy of a reprint entitled, "The Grapes-Communist Wrath in Delano," by GARY ALLEN.

On 7/12/68, ROBERT LEAMAN, Regional Coordinator, John Birch Society, 2627 Mission Road, San Marino, California, advised that one of their members, DIETER W. BAYER, 1332 Grand Avenue, Pacifica, California, had telephoned him to advise that he thought the photograph on page 4 of the referenced booklet written by GARY ALLEN looked a lot like SIRHAN SIRHAN.

LEAMAN furnished the address of the author, GARY ALLEN, as 2812 Tigertail Drive Roosmoor, California, telephone number 430-2282.

On 7/12/68, ALLEN advised he wrote the referenced article for the June 1966 issue of American Opinion, an informal monthly review edited by ROBERT WELCH, head of the John Birch Society. He advised that he submitted the article to Belmont, Massachusetts, and thereafter, had nothing to do with it being printed or the final form in which it was presented. He further advised that photographs in the article were inserted by the editor and he was unaware of them until he saw the article in print.

ALLEN stated that he heard the photograph in question on page 4 of his article which was presumed to be SIRHAN SIRHAN

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was taken by one DICK (LNU) in Delano, California, at a meeting of the State Labor Commission, held in the auditorium of the Delano High School. ALLEN stated he was of the opinion that DICK (LNU) was a student at the San Jose State College, San Jose, California.

ALLEN also stated the only person whom he knew who might be aware of the identity of some of those persons attending the State Labor Commission in early 1966 at Delano High School Auditorium would be Sergeant JERRY DODD, Kern County Sheriff's Office, Bakersfield, California.

The San Francisco Office is requested to recontact Mr. DIETER W. BAYER, 1332 Grand Avenue, Pacifica, California, to ascertain if he knows the identity of one DICK (LNU), who is or was a student at San Jose State College, San Jose, California.

The Sacramento Office is requested to contact Sergeant JERRY DODD, Kern County Sheriff's Office, at Bakersfield, California, who has conducted extensive investigation concerning the Delano Grape Strike, to ascertain if he can establish the identity of one DICK (LNU), who may have been the photographer taking the photograph on page 4 of the article "The Grapes - Communist Wrath in Delano". It is also requested that the date of the State Labor Commission meeting held in Delano be established if possible.

If San Francisco or Sacramento is able to establish the identity of DICK (LNU), interview him concerning the circumstances surrounding the meeting in which he took the questioned photograph and ascertain if he can identify the person on the far left, adjacent to the edge of the photograph as being identical with SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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AIRMAIL

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (RUC)
KENSALT

Re LA airtel 7/18/68, requesting that DIETER W. BAYER, Pacifica, California, be recontacted to determine if he knows the identity of one DICK (lnu) who is or was a student at San Jose State College, San Jose, California.

Mr. DIETER BAYER, 1332 Grant Avenue, Pacifica, California, telephone 355-0251, was telephonically contacted by SA GEORGE P. GALLOWAY on 7/22/68. Mr. BAYER stated that he has no idea who took the photograph which was a portion of an article "The Grapes - Communist Wrath in Delano" by GARY ALLEN. Mr. BAYER stated that he is not acquainted with and has no information concerning an individual by the name of DICK (lnu) who is or was a student at San Jose State College and who may have taken the photograph in question.

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AIR MAIL

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM : SAC, SACRAMENTO (62-76)

SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re Los Angeles airtel to Bureau, 6/24/68; Sacramento airtel to Los Angeles, 7/5/68; and Los Angeles airtel to San Francisco, 7/18/68.

On July 24, 1968, DAVID AVERBUCK, Attorney, United Farm Workers Organizing Committee, AFL - CIO, 102 Albany, Delano, California, advised that copy of pertinent photograph has been exhibited to various Union officials and members without effecting an identification.

Sergeant GERALD DODD, Kern County Sheriff's Office, Bakersfield, California, advised on July 24, 1968, that pertinent photograph not familiar to him. DODD said individual who took photograph may be DICK SNYDER, Administrative Assistant to California Assemblyman KENT STACEY.

On July 26, 1968, RICHARD H. SNYDER was contacted at Assemblyman STACY's Office, Room 609, 1415 18th Street,

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Bakersfield, California.

SNYDER said he took photograph on pages four and nine of "The Grapes", but he had no idea of identity of pertinent individual to left of photograph on page four of this pamphlet. SNYDER took photographs during Christmas season, 1965, when rally was held for WALTER REUTHER by farm workers union in Delano. At this time SNYDER was employed by local daily newspaper, "The Bakersfield Californian", and later sold photographs regarding this rally to "American Opinion". SNYDER said he would attempt to locate and study copies of other photographs taken at same time to determine if individual appearing at left of photographs in "The Grapes", page four, appears in any additional pictures in his possession.

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SAN FRANCISCO

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: Discontinue lead set forth in referenced airtel of July 18, 1968.

SACRAMENTO

AT BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA: Recontact RICHARD H. SNYDER, 1415 18th Street, for any additional information regarding pertinent photographs.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: 7/30/68

JMS
FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: KENSALT
(OO: LOS ANGELES)

In connection with current inquiries being conducted into the assassination of Senator Robert F. Kennedy at Los Angeles, California, numerous communications have been received at the Bureau from individual field offices with no copies being designated to the Los Angeles Office, which is office of origin.

In order that the Los Angeles Office may be completely aware of all facets of this investigation, and in order that the office of origin may properly supervise the direction of this investigation, each field division and Legal Attache should insure that copies of all communications dealing with the Kensalt investigation be designated to Los Angeles.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re: MRS. JOHN WALLACE,
nee Webber, aka Nancy Wallace

RICHARD JOHN FRICK, 205 North Armel, a "Students for KENNEDY" worker, was interviewed 7/29/68. Mr. FRICK was in the kitchen area with a friend, VALERIE SCHULTE, at the time of the assault on Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY.

Mr. FRICK advised that Mrs. WALLACE was also present on 6/4,5/68 and has recently married JOHN WALLACE and is living in San Francisco, where Mr. WALLACE is attending the University of California "at San Francisco" Dental School.

Interview Mrs. WALLACE. Submit FD-302.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Rebulet 6/20/68 directed to EVELLE J. YOUNGER,
District Attorney, Los Angeles, California.

Rebulet forwarded to San Francisco original
application for Rosicrucian Membership bearing purported
handwriting and hand printing of SIRHAN SIRHAN identified
by the Laboratory as K14.

LAPD requested today [redacted] original application
to be ready for presentation in court.

San Francisco forward application for Rosicrucian
Membership of SIRHAN to Los Angeles by return mail per LAPD
request.

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Sirhan Pleads, Avoids Sanity Issue

LOS ANGELES — (UPI) — Sirhan B. Sirhan, speaking in a forceful voice, pleaded not guilty today to the murder of Sen. Robert Kennedy, whose fatal shooting took place in the presence of dozens of eyewitnesses.

Superior Court Judge Richard Schauer set the trial date for Nov. 1.

After Sirhan, 24, entered his plea of innocent, Judge Schauer asked if that were the only plea and defense attorney Russell Parsons said:

"Yes, your honor."

Two court-appointed psychiatrists had examined Sirhan and three of his brothers, Adel, Sharif, and Saidal, and made their findings available to the defense, but Sirhan and his brothers were in the courtroom to hear the plea.

Parsons and Sirhan, a Jordanian immigrant, decided against the possible plea of innocent by reason of insanity.

With a simple plea of innocent, California law permits an argument of "diminished capacity" of mental faculties which, while not sufficient for acquittal, could affect the degree of the offense and save Sirhan from the gas chamber.

Parsons asked that the trial be postponed until November so that he could talk to prospective witnesses "from the old country" and also to await the entrance of another attorney into the case as co-defense counsel. He did not identify the second attorney.

Judge Schauer asked Sirhan if he were willing to waive his constitutional rights to a speedy trial within 60 days of indictment.

Sirhan whispered briefly with Parsons and then said:

"We waive that right."

"Do you personally give up that right?" Schauer asked.

"Yes, sir," Sirhan said.

Sirhan also pleaded innocent to assault with a deadly weapon charges in connection with the wounding of five other persons when the senator was shot June 5.

His mother, Mrs. Mary Sirhan, and three of his brothers, Adel, Sharif, and Saidal, were in the courtroom to hear the plea.

Judge Schauer denied a motion on the part of District Attorney Evelle Younger to modify or rule out a previous court order restricting statements on the case by officials involved.

Younger argued that "were it is possible, we believe that people should know as much as possible about what their government is doing."

He said that as district attorney he should be able to give the press answers to such questions as:

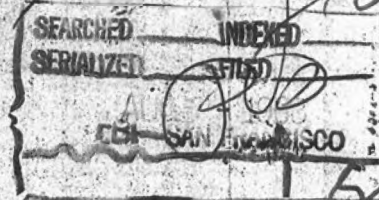
Are you going to call the coroner, Mrs. Kennedy Roosevelt Grier and others to testify at the trial? Was there a conspiracy involved? Is any foreign government involved? Is there any evidence that a second gun was fired? Was one of Sirhan's brothers really fired at? Was

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AIR MAIL

TO SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)(P)
SUBJECT KENSALT

Reurairtel, 8/1/68, advising LAPD desires original application for Rosicrucian Membership of SIRHAN SIRHAN for presentation in court.

Original application of SIRHAN for Rosicrucian Membership is enclosed.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (RUC)
SUBJECT: KENSALT

Re: Mrs. JOHN WALLACE, nee
Webber, aka Nancy Wallace

Re Los Angeles airtel to San Francisco, 8/1/68.

The records of the Office of Student Affairs,
School of Dentistry, University of California Medical
Center, 3rd and Parnassas, San Francisco, showed the
following:

JOHN WALLACE is a student in the School of
Dentistry as a Freshman, and his local address in San
Francisco was 1442 - 5th Avenue, telephone 564-7647.

The School of Dentistry is presently in recess,
and effective July 26, 1968, the address for JOHN WALLACE
is 1459 Daveric Drive, Pasadena, California, telephone
355-3023.

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LOS ANGELES

AT PASADENA, CALIFORNIA. Will, at 1459 Daveric
Drive, ascertain the present whereabouts of NANCY WALLACE
and interview her as requested in referenced airtel.

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 For the Police

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 Mr. Roberto Kennedy
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 2127 Stanford ave.
 Mountain View California
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

9th & Pennsylvania Ave. NW

Washington, D.C.

Georgetown University
Box 99, Darnall Hall
Washington, D.C.
July 23, 1968

Post Office Inspector
12th & Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Yesterday, the 22nd, I received an envelope postmarked from Philadelphia on the 18th. The envelope had been opened and its original letter removed. In its place was a peculiar note concerning an accomplice in the death of Robert Kennedy. Enclosed is a Xerox copy of both the envelope and the note.

About five days ago another one of my letters had been opened. It contained pictures so it was scotchtaped and received intact.

I have no desire to prosecute the one who tampered with these letters. He evidently was trying to get this information through to someone for attention. He may be demented and then, again, he may not.

As I am attending Summer classes, I will be here only until August 9. If I can give you any further information, I'll be glad to do so.

Copy to: F.B.I.
Senator Kennedy

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July 31, 1968

Sister M. Maddalena
Box 99, Darnall Hall
Georgetown University
Washington, D. C. 20007

My dear Sister:

I have received the copy of your letter dated July 23rd, with enclosures, addressed to the Post Office Inspector, and I appreciate your bringing this information to my attention. I am bringing the facts contained in your communication to the attention of proper authorities in Los Angeles, California.

Sincerely yours,

J. E. Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

①- Los Angeles - Enclosures (3)

Attention SAC: Bufiles are negative concerning correspondent and the individuals mentioned in her enclosure. You should bring the facts contained therein to the immediate attention of proper authorities in the Los Angeles Police Department.

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SAC, Los Angeles (56-156)

KENSALT

Re: SISTER M. MADDALENA

In connection with Bulet to Sister M. MADDALENA 7/31/68 concerning the insertion of material in her mail, copies of her communication with its enclosure have been made available to the Los Angeles Police Department.

Indices at Los Angeles are negative on Mr. MERCURY, BOB ROBERTO MERCURY, OLGA OLVERA OSUNA DE MERCURY.

Enclosed for San Francisco is one Xerox copy each of reBulet and Sister M. MADDALENA's letter, with its enclosure.

San Francisco is requested to check 2127 Estanford Avenue, Mountain View, California, for any information which may be available.

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AIR MAIL

Via _____
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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM: *WJG* SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) (P)
SUBJECT: KENSALT

RE: RICHARD ORFALEA;
DAVID ROCHE

During interview 7/9/68 with DOUG DILTS, former UPI news reporter re Kensalt, he claimed he had talked with several persons in the Embassy Room at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, shortly after the shooting of Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, et al. Names, but no addresses, had been obtained by DILTS.

Two of the persons mentioned by DILTS were RICHARD ORFALEA, who was in company of DAVID ROCHE. Both claimed they had seen a man thought to have been "the man who shot KENNEDY" in the Embassy Room near the podium.

It was ascertained 8/2/68, from the father of RICHARD ORFALEA, ALBERT ORFALEA, 4131 Adlon Place, Encino, California, that RICHARD was in Arizona on a two week USAF training program and was scheduled to return to his employment in the International Department of the Bank of America at San Francisco on 8/12/68. RICHARD resides at 455 Eddy St. San Francisco, phone 415-771-7052.

ROCHE not known to RICHARD's father and has not been located to date.

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AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. Will interview RICHARD ORFALEA at above address and exhibit photo's of SIRHAN SIRHAN.

1. Ascertain his knowledge of Kensalt.
2. Identify DAVID ROCHE and obtain residence and employment or otherwise how ROCHE may be reached.

DILTS described ROCHE as male, white, American, about 34 years of age, 5'11", 165 pounds, who lived in Los Angeles.

Report results on form FD 302.

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Date: 8/9/68

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

SUBJECT: KENSALT
RE Mrs. JOHN WALLACE, nee
Webber, aka Nancy WallaceRe San Francisco airtel dated 8/6/68. *Home phone 564-8883*

Mr. and Mrs. WALLACE reside at 10 Behr Street, San Francisco, California. He is employed during the summer at the U. C. School of Denistry. She is employed in a local insurance firm.

Interview Mr. and Mrs. WALLACE, submit FD-302.

*She works at Student Computer Programming
Freeman's Fund Insurance
3223 Calif St.*

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*Husband - Employed Medical Records Info Desk, U.C. Hospital
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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)

FROM SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (62-5481) (RUC)

SUBJECT KENSALT

Attached are six stencils and proof sheets for FD-302's regarding the following requests from your office:

1. Stencils and proof sheets for following investigation in response to Los Angeles airtel to Bureau dated 8/6/68, re Sister M. MADDALENA:

Credit check with Credit Bureau of Palo Alto regarding FEDERICO C. OSUNA, OLGA OLVERA OSUNA and ROBERTO MERCURY.

Check of records, Mountain View Police Department concerning above individuals.

Interview of Mrs. FEDERICO C. OSUNA (RUTILIA), 2127 Stanford Avenue, Mountain View, California, on 8/13/68.

Interview of Mrs. ROBERT KESSLER (OLGA OLVERA OSUNA) at Sunnyvale, California, on 8/13/68.

San Francisco indices are negative re names contained in material furnished by you.

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2. Stencil and proof sheet for FD-302 for interview of NANCY WALLACE in response to Los Angeles airtels to San Francisco dated 8/1/68, and 8/9/68, re Mrs. JOHN WALLACE, nee Webber, aka Nancy Wallace.

In the event VALERIE SCHULTE has not been interviewed and such an interview is desired, she can be located through her parents at 466 South Clark, Beverly Hills, California.

3. Stencil and proof sheet for FD-302 for interview of RICHARD ORFALEA in response to Los Angeles airtel to San Francisco dated 8/9/68, re RICHARD ORFALEA; DAVID ROCHE.

In the event PATRICK MC LAUGHLIN has not been interviewed and such an interview is desired, he is in Memphis, Tennessee, and his exact address can be obtained through his parents at 969 South Kenston, Los Angeles, telephone WE 9-1664. Interview with ORFALEA, however, indicates MC LAUGHLIN does not have any pertinent information re KENSALT.

ORFALEA is not acquainted with anyone by the name of DAVID ROCHE and does not recall meeting anyone on the night of June 4-5, 1968, answering his description.

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Date: 8/22/68

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AIR MAIL

Via _____
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156)
SUBJECT: ~~KENSALT~~

On 8/22/68, Lieutenant CHARLES HIGBIE, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) currently assigned to a special unit investigating the KENNEDY assassination, telephonically advised SA R. J. LA JEUNESSE, JR. as follows:

Information has come to the attention of the LAPD that former FBI Special Agent WILLIAM TURNER has been in contact with Attorney GEORGE DAVIS of San Francisco, California. DAVIS has been representing JERRY OLIVER OWEN, about whom previous information has been furnished in connection with this communication. The Bureau will recall that OWEN alleges to be a minister and stated he had been in contact with individual he believes to be SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN during the afternoon of 6/4/68 at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, California.

According to HIGBIE, DAVIS has taped interviews of OWENS that he is making available to practically any interested party. It has come to the attention of the LAPD that former Special Agent WILLIAM TURNER has been in contact with DAVIS attempting to obtain from DAVIS all information concerning the OWEN aspect of this investigation.

Lieutenant HIGBIE desired to obtain from the FBI background information concerning TURNER including information of a personal nature regarding his former employment with

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the FBI; his activities since becoming disassociated with the Bureau; and his "political leanings," if known.

The Bureau is requested to advise what, if any, information should be disseminated to the LAPD.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (62-5481)

FROM : ROY L. ERICKSON, SA

SUBJECT: KENSALT

DATE: 8/26/68

The writer received a letter from Mrs. CORINNE HOFPAUER and her husband, these being close friends as far back as the early 40's in Washington, D.C., when they were employed by another branch of the Federal Government. Mr. HOFPAUER is presently employed by the Bureau of Reclamation and lives at 5678 Newbury Avenue, San Bernardino, California. They have a daughter named BARBARA HOFPAUER, who is a graduate of Humboldt State and presently resides at 576 Valencia Street, San Francisco, Apartment 304, telephone 861-4663, and is employed as a librarian at San Francisco State College Library. Mrs. HOFPAUER makes the following statement in her letter:

"By the way, Barb was telling me something I thought might interest you - or it might not. You'd know if it warranted inquiry. It was this; On Monday, June 5, one young fellow (named Mike), who works in the bookstore at San Francisco State, was telling that he'd had a phone call from a girl in Indiana, or somewhere, the night before (Sunday night). She was telling him that someone was going to be assassinated in LA on June 6. It was Monday night, still June 5, that Robert Kennedy was shot. Barb said this fellow Mike was a Kennedy fan, and a nervous type, and was too shaken up to work for a day or two after that. Barb had written down what he said about his phone call and also called it to the attention of her young supervisor at that time. Now, whether the young fellow was telling a dream he'd had or something that actually happened I don't know, but Barb seemed certain it was the latter. I thought the girl back East might have been in correspondence with someone who'd heard talk of that kind, anyway, and suggested at the time that Barb call and tell you. But she thought Mike was too upset already so I said I'd mention it to you for whatever it might be useful for if anything."

Recommendation: Interview BARBARA HOFPAUER for identity of MIKE and interview MIKE.

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TO: SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (56-156) (P)
RE: KENSALT
RE: JERRY OWEN

On 8/22/68, Lieutenant MANUEL PENA, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), advised SA R. J. LAJEUNESSE, JR. as follows:

Investigation conducted by the LAPD in connection with several interviews of JERRY OWEN developed information that OWEN advised a 1967 or 1968 Pontiac Bonneville automobile attempted to run him and Mr. HARDESTER off of a road in San Francisco a few days prior to 7/3/68. According to PENA, the above alleged incident occurred on 6/29/68, and his office has since been advised by attorney GEORGE DAVIS that the Pontiac bore California license WHU 991.

Records of Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) reflect this California license to be registered to a 1968 Pontiac Coupe registered to MELVIN V. FERGUSON, 1115 Virginia Avenue, Concord, California (telephone number 825-0106). LAPD Intelligence files have no record on FERGUSON.

Files of CII, Sacramento reflect one MELVIN V. FERGUSON, described as male, Caucasian, born [redacted] in Oklahoma, brown hair, blue eyes, 5'11" in height, 160 to 180 pounds, has been assigned CII No. 906278.

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CII records indicate this individual arrested for contributing to the delinquency of minor, 12/27/54.

CII also reflects an arrest for non-sufficient funds check for one MELVIN FERGUSON, described male, Caucasian, born [REDACTED] in Alabama, brown hair, blue eyes, 5'8", 145 pounds, CII No. 2433811.

It is not known whether either of the two FERGUSONS mentioned above is identical with MELVIN V. O. FERGUSON, registered owner of 1968 Pontiac.

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AT CONCORD, CALIFORNIA: Will interview MELVIN V. O. FERGUSON, 1115 Virginia Lane, to determine if he was in possession of his vehicle on 6/29/68, in San Francisco and may have been involved in vehicle altercation such as described by OWEN.