

meetings. Plans were made for including the Los Angeles Police Department in any future planning, on the Federal level, to deposit documents of the investigation in the National Archives. The Case Preparation Team from S.U.S. was assigned to be available and present at the trial and plans were made to make visual aids and mock-ups available during the trial. The Sheriff's Office assumed responsibility for security at the trial and various investigative and trial problems and situations were discussed and resolved.

An unscheduled meeting was called on December 13, 1968, to discuss the effects of the motion for discovery and the results of a meeting between Grant Cooper and the District Attorney's Office. The District Attorney's Office announced it would not accept any type of plea to a lesser offense, nor were there any plans to drop the additional counts of assault with intent to commit murder. The stipulations to be offered to the defense regarding a proposed polygraph examination of Sirhan were outlined and agreed upon. An offer, by Grant Cooper, for making Sirhan available for psychiatric examination was discussed. A discussion of the motion for discovery, resistance tactics and items requested in the motion concluded the meeting.

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SENATE PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE
ON INVESTIGATIONS
OF
THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

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Senator John L. McClellan (D., Ark.), Chairman of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, announced today the beginning of a preliminary inquiry into certain aspects of the Foreign Aid Program. At the present time the inquiry is expected to deal primarily with the administration and the effectiveness of United States aid to Iran.

Yesterday the Subcommittee heard in executive session the testimony of The Khaibar Khan, leader of the Bakhtiari Tribe of Iran, who is temporarily living in the United States and who spoke for a group he described as "K. K. United Patriots for Justice." During the course of his secret testimony, The Kha. described Foreign Aid operations in Iran and surrendered to the Subcommittee voluminous documents in his possession in full substantiation of the testimony he gave the Subcommittee. These documents, if corroborated, point to gross corruption and misuse of funds in excess of \$100,000,000.00 in connection with the administration of United States aid to Iran. The current inquiry will follow avenues of investigation suggested by the documents and by the testimony of The Khaibar Khan. Future action by this Subcommittee will be determined by the facts developed during the preliminary

inquiry.

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Senator John L. McClellan

April 12, 1965

Kemrick and told him that one of the Senators in your Committee has been in close contact with the Iranian Embassy and the investigators are making a report according to the desire of the Embassy, Kemrick stated that this is a matter that I should discuss with you. You telephoned me later at Mr. Wels' office at which time I advised you of the same and told you that the reports of your staff's investigation are being prepared practically at the Iranian Embassy with the intention of white-washing the entire matter and making me and my people the guilty party. You denied any knowledge of this and asked to talk to my attorney during which time you assured him and me that you would investigate this matter and pretended to be shocked.

Therefore my information that certain dishonest people connected with your Committee, State Department and the Justice Department had been working and cooperating all along with the Iranian Embassy to white-wash this entire matter and to make me and my people the guilty ones has been right and accurate.

I do not entirely blame you as I understand that you have been under tremendous pressure but one thing makes me happy and that is ever since Senator Robert F. Kennedy left the Justice Department as the Attorney General I stopped to furnish your Committee with additional documents. I will shortly receive copies of the reports made by your staff and investigators according to the desire of the Shah's Embassy through my confidential sources at that Embassy which will always remind my people of the great injustice done to us by you and others connected with your Committee.

I would like to repeat that all the remarks made by you and some of your colleagues on the floor of the Senate on April 5, 1965 are falls, inaccurate, phony, nonsense and without any foundation which you are aware of. I really would like to hear them away from the Senate floor to show to you how absurd and phony they are.

In conclusion I, on behalf of my people stand and support the charges brought to your Committee for investigation in the hope that justice would be done. You dear Senator stand, support and protect the Shah's corrupt regime, his dishonest Iranian and American collaborators and try to do us injustice.

UNITED PATRIOTS FOR JUSTICE

Yours truly,

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THE KHAIBAR KHAN
Honorary Chairman,
Ruling Council

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April 12, 1965

Senator John L. McClellan
United States Senate
Washington, 25, D. C.

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Dear Senator McClellan:

Reference to the kangaroo court held by you on March 30, 1965 at the instance of the Shah's agents and unjust and fallis accusations made by yourself and some of your colleagues on the floor of the Senate on April 5, 1965 in an obvious attempt to pressure the Nation into stoping to publish the article entitled 'Million Dollar Mystery' of which you had a galley proof a week ahead; I would like to make the following comments.

That is to remind you of the contents of my letter to you of December 23, 1964 of which I am sending you a copy in case it has disappeared from your files and landed up at the Iranian Embassy like other documents.

Also I would like to remind you of what took place during our second meeting when I informed you that the Shah's sister had stated that 'this is the Americans' baby and they have no choice except to white-wash these charges'. You stated that it is true, a lot of influential people who are involved in this matter would try to do that but they will not be successful. You even went further in order to reassure me of your good intentions and made the following statement in front of other members of your Committee 'I am glad I did not receive a gold watch from this during his last visit', meaning the Shah. You requested me to have private talks with your counsel Jerry Adlerman during which time I was approached by him to take off the names of five most influential Americans involved in these charges in order to make the investigation easy for you. When I brought this to your attention and informed you that I refuse to be a subject to these kind of approaches and do not trust Adlerman you tried to convince me that he meant well and assigned Paul Kenrick in his place who turned up to be the same.

Even as recently as February of this year I telephoned Paul

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December 12th, 1966

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Jack Corinblit, Esq.
Suite 1010, I.B.M. Bldg.
3424 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles 5, California

Dear Jack:

This afternoon I went down with Khaiber Khan to see Mr. King at the U. S. Attorney's office in connection with obtaining the exhibits which Khaiber Khan needs for his appearance before a grand jury in Los Angeles. Mr. King said that Khaiber Khan could obtain from the U. S. Marshal today travel funds for the California trip. He said that Mr. Van der Kamp had talked personally with the U. S. Marshal to make sure the funds would be available.

Incidentally, we arranged with Mr. King that even though the check was made out to Khaiber Khan Goodarjian, acceptance of the check in that name and endorsement in that name will not be deemed to be admission or to be construed in any way that Khaiber Khan is anybody but Khaiber Khan.

Khaiber Khan and I then went down to see Mr. Costa in the U. S. Marshal's office. To my surprise, Mr. Costa declined to make payment of the travel funds at this time. The reason given for this was that the U. S. attorney in California might change his mind and might not want Khaiber Khan to appear before the grand jury after all. This, of course, sounds to me as though the U. S. Attorney is playing games and that the subpoena was issued in the hope that he would decline to appear or might assert a privilege. It might very well be that the U. S. Attorney, like the Iranian Embassy, would really be next unhappy to have Khaiber Khan telling his story to a grand jury

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Jack Corinblit, Esq.

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December 12th, 1966

in California just as they were unhappy when he told it to a grand jury in New York. I telephoned Mr. King from Mr. Costa's office to tell him of this curious development. I pointed out to him that the government could not expect Khaiber Khan to appear before a grand jury in California without having the opportunity for at least a day or two prior to his appearance to discuss the problems involved with the attorney who is going to represent him in that appearance in California, that is, yourself. I told Mr. King that I hoped that he could have this matter straightened out with Mr. Van der Kamp by tomorrow afternoon when Khaiber Khan is to pick up from him the necessary exhibits. If they really mean that they are not going to make travel funds available until the end of this week, the actual appearance before the grand jury should be put off for two or three days so as to permit him the opportunity to discuss this with you. If, on the other hand, for reasons best known to the Ambassador of Iran they have decided to call off his appearance, please let us know about it so that he can make his independent arrangements for the holidays.

Incidentally, you will be interested to know that Her Imperial Highness, Princess Ashraf who, as you know, is the twin sister of the Shah, has arrived in New York and is presently at the Waldorf Astoria. I do not know whether there are any plans for her appearance while in this country either before a grand jury or before the Narcotics Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

Richard H. Wels

copy in R.F. H.
RHW:BG

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UNITED STATES SENATE

May 21, 1967

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Honorable Robert F. Kennedy
United States Senate
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Senator Kennedy:

As you probably will recall according to your advice, I have stayed behind my charges and tried to clear certain unjust and untrue remarks made by Senator McClellan and some of his colleagues which were made in an effort to pressure The Nation into deciding not to publish its April 12, 1965 issue and to diminish the truth.

In order to clear these matters and bring out the truth, I have made several voluntary appearances before the District Attorney of New York, Federal Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York and also appeared before a Federal Grand Jury in Los Angeles and have testified in detail and submitted full documentations.

Much to the disappointment of the Shah, his corrupt officials and his dishonest American agents and collaborators in this country, I have cleared these unjust and false accusations and have not and will not give up my struggle to achieve justice and freedom for the poor people of my country.

The Shah has been spending millions of dollars through his agents in this country to damage me, my reputation and the reputation of my associates. They have even gone as far as trying openly to persuade some of my American friends and associates who understood my cause and were knowledgeable of his corrupt regime and dishonest actions to be turned against me. Enclosed you will find copies of letters of May 2, 1966, May 26, 1966 and May 31, 1966 showing how some of the Shah's American backers tried to do this. I am also enclosing a copy of my letter of December 12, 1966 to Robert L. King, Assistant U.S. Attorney which is self-explanatory and tells of how some original documents and checks as important as exhibits of a Federal Grand Jury have found their way to the Iranian Embassy.

So far all of these efforts on their part to damage me and my associates have been unsuccessful. Now a new maneuvering and conniving is going under way in order to outpressure on me

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UNITED STATES FOREIGN AID

November 20, 1964

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Honorable John L. McClellan
United States Senate
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Senator McClellan:

Your letter of November 20, 1964 addressed to my attorney Mr. Richard H. Wells was called to my attention by him. In that letter you acknowledge that the Department of State undertook some investigation in Iran at your request.

I have found through my sources that the people from the Department of State and others who have been assigned to do this investigation are not doing an honest job either for your Committee or the poor people of my country. They are working hard to satisfy the Shah, his corrupt Iranian and American collaborators. They have been in close contact with the Iranian Embassy and have been conducting an investigation according to the instructions of the Iranian Embassy which are intended to be turned against me.

I have been aware of this fact for quite some time and it was even brought to my attention by some of my American friends in this country like Miss Elizabeth Heinz, Mr. Ashley Chanler and others that an investigator from your Committee has been twisting and distorting their testimonies which were favorable towards me. Investigator Wolf even has gone as far as trying to turn them against me.

The investigation that the Department of State undertook for you in Iran was even worse. Their so-called investigation has not been intended to find the truth, instead they have been in close contact with the SAVAR Police of the Shah and have prepared a report only with the intention of pleasing the Shah and his corrupt officials and dishonest American Collaborators. It has become a joke among Iranian circles that ever since I submitted these documents to your Committee nothing has come out of it except costing the Shah a fortune and making some investigators of the Department of State, the Department of Justice and your Committee rich and prosperous.

If you recall during my first and second visit with you and your Committee members even before I submitted the documents to you, it was understood between us that the Department of State would not be the proper agency to undertake such an investigation in order to learn the truth about the misuse of the Foreign Aid program to Iran. You personally agreed with me and promised me under oath that the Department of State would not be apart of this investigation.

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() Honorable John L. McClellan

December 23, 1964

If you and other members of your Committee are interested in learning the truth, I suggest that you designate some sincere people to undertake this investigation both in Iran and in this country. People who have no desire to satisfy and please the Shah, his corrupt Iranian and American collaborators but who are only desirous to learn the truth and to do an honest investigation.

UNITED PATRIOTS FOR JUSTICE

Yours truly,

Khaibar Khan

THE KHAIBAR KHAN
Honorary Chairman, Ruling Council

*copy for
I. E. H.*

The Khaibar Khan
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RAMPART DETECTIVE DIVISION

PHONE CALLS - JUNE 5, 1968

KENNEDY SHOOTING

DR 68-521 466

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5:50 p.m.

Lt. Hughes

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I-1363
Sgt. Calkins, Homicide Division, called in stating he received a call at 4 a.m., today (June 5, 1968) from a Mrs. Christenson, 131 S. Hoover, DU-30594, says her daughter was at the Ambassador tonight. She observed a suspect and wants to make a statement to the police. Her daughter is 16 years, her name is Theresa Christenson. Very cooperative.

5:55 p.m.

Hambly

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Corum, San Gabriel PD, had an informant, Barbara Gottlieb, 936 Belton Way, San Gabriel, 282-0280; who reports she knows the brother of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, who is a co-worker at Cannon Electric on Humbolt St., in L.A. She said he has not been to work for two days.

5:50 p.m.

White

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Decoupcarank, Intell. Div. states that a Tom Richy phoned him. Richy is with the Military Intelligence Liaison. He gave info that a Terry Fell of Military Intelligence, in the San Francisco area, phone, Area Code 415 - 561-3242 or 561-2330. Mr. Fell says he knew the suspect Sirhan, as a friend, when he attended Pasadena Civic College at the same time as the suspect. He knows that the suspect went to Long Fellow Grammar School in Pasadena, George Washington High School, and John Muir High School in Pasadena. At the time they were attending the City College, he knew that the suspect was active with the organization, to gain support for the Shah of Iran, at the time the Shah was visiting this country. Also, the suspect had a very close friend, DAVOR PEVEC, who lived at 1121 No. ^{Mentor} Metor, in Pasadena; and is believed to be a student at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Wayne/Khan

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INTERVIEWS

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PERSON INTERVIEWED: WAYNE, Michael DATE/TIME 8-14-68 11 AM

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INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Mr. WAYNE was questioned about his activities prior to going to the Hotel. He states he rode from the Kennedy Headquarters on Wilshire Blvd. to the Kennedy Headquarters in Westwood, with three people. One of the people he assumed to be a European newspaper reporter.

He thinks the woman in the car had a broken leg. The car was a Brown 1961-1963 T-Bird.

He does not know the names of the people he rode with. Just two men and one woman.

He cannot remember if he exchanged addresses and names with anyone in the car or not.

Khyder Khan, his son Felipe Khan and his sister Maryam Khan

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INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:
Sgt. D. D. Varney #10#33

APPROVED BY:
W. H. [unclear] by *ES*

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OR MISPLACED

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INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: GILBERT, Keith D. DATE/TIME _____

SEX _____ RACE _____ HAIR _____ EYES _____ HT _____ WT _____ DOB _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)
SYNOPSIS OF TAPE #31382 OF INTERVIEW OF ABOVE SUBJECT IN SAN QUENTIN PRISON.

1. Gilbert admitted his association with the Minutemen.
2. He denied knowing Michael Wayne.
3. He admitted writing a letter to Senator Kennedy telling him that Lee Harvy Oswald was a Minuteman. Gilbert obtained this information second-hand from Dennis Mower.

NOTE: See the Kassab investigation folder, the Gilbert section, for a detailed report of this interview.

INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:
Sgt. N. F. Gattlerca #70

APPROVED BY:

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INTERVIEW

SUPPL. INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: WAYNE, Michael DATE/TIME 6-25-69

AKA - WIEN, Michael L.

SEX _____ RACE _____ HAIR _____ EYES _____ HT _____ WT _____ DOB _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Michael Wayne was reinterviewed on the above date and was shown both the original Michael Wayne - Promotor card, and Keith Gilberts card.

He again denied that the Wayne card was his. He produced his own card (See Attached Copy) of the one and only business card he has ever had. This card lists his true name of Michael L. Wien. He stated that he made up this card while in high school.

After carefully viewing Gilbert's card he denied ever seeing it or of knowing any person by that name. He did, however, admit going to a "Nazi" shop in Glendale with a friend, Robert J. Soto, late in the summer of 1968, after the Kennedy assassination. He went to this Nazi store nearly out of curiosity. Prior to that he had never been to any Nazi store or antique gun shop.

Wayne further added that after he was stopped and arrested by a private guard (Agustus Mallard) at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968, he was searched for weapons. The guard looked in Wayne's wallet for identification. Wayne could not recall the guard taking anything out of his wallet.

Wayne was then released in the custody of two Los Angeles officers and placed in a witness room. He was allowed to leave the interview room for water and food. Several hours later he was transported to Rampart Station and questioned briefly and released. The person who questioned him at Rampart did not search him, nor did he check Wayne's wallet. That officer, according to Wayne asked him several questions as to what he saw and heard. He then told the investigator where he lived, where he worked and what his telephone number was.

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INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:
Sgt. M. Gutierrez

APPROVED BY:

W. Stewart (73)

(G)*Kassab*

The phony trust deed racket in which the Kassabs specialized could be traced back to 1958. In that year **David Jacob Kassab** and a partner named **Elmer J. Freeman**, made a land swap for the **Little Lake Hunting Lodge** in Inyo County. The lodge, owned by Mr. and Mrs. **B.B. Matheny**, was valued at about \$75,000. In exchange, the Kassabs gave the Mathenys two supposedly valuable pieces of property with clear titles. But that wasn't really the case. The titles were clouded and the land was much smaller than represented. A judge found David Kassab guilty of grand theft and sentenced him to state prison for one to 10 years. Freeman, convicted of attempted grand theft, was placed on probation.

In the massive trust deed frauds of the 1960s, the police involvement with **Dr. Dubrin** and the Kassabs was never made public. Rather, someone suppressed the facts, and they were among the best kept secrets in the office of the Police Bureau of Internal Affairs. Police weren't the only ones involved in the scandal. **Ronald J. Ellensohn** then a field secretary in the San Fernando Valley for **Mayor Yorty**, was involved in a trust deed transaction with Jacob Kassab and another one with Edward Haymes (a Kassab alias.) Later Ellensohn was promoted to a Yorty deputy, a position in which he coordinated activities with the police department.


The Los Angeles policemen who did business with the Kassabs were led by officer **Harold Latham**, a member of the force since 1948 who, after the scandal was asked to retire. However, the younger **Michael McCowan** soon emerged as the Kassabs' favorite policeman.

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For a business combine that was on the verge of bankruptcy, money was apparently no problem. Not once during the scandal did Braden's name surface. One must wonder if he was a silent partner. There have been implications, from time to time, by state intelligence agents, that Braden was connected with a "high rolling gambling operation." Further, there was reason to suspect that he was connected with the cheating scandal over gambling games at the exclusive **Friars Club** in Beverly Hills. When the operation was at its peak at the **Friars Club**, scores of celebrities and movie stars were cheated out of thousands of dollars in card games that were rigged with all the ingenuity of a "Mission Impossible" plot.

Apart from Braden's connection with the partners, there was one other name under Room 402 in the building directory at 280 S. Beverly Drive that appeared to be worth noting, that of the Empire Oil Company. It would appear this particular **Empire Oil** is a mystery corporation. Various people in the office acknowledge that 280 S. Beverly Drive is the correct mailing address for Empire Oil. But those who inquire about the firm are told the principals are out of town. A check of state coporation records gives no evidence that such a company exists in the Beverly Hills area.

Returning to **Joseph Arnoff**, he is the man, as of late, who has generated the most publicity. For awhile he was considered a pioneer in the discount store business. That was when he introduced a cut-rate medical clinic at his store over the protests of just about every medical group around. The sales pitch went something like: "we can save you money on a flu shot." The man **Arnoff** picked to head up the clinic was a former osteopath and admitted bigamist named **[REDACTED]**.

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The following is a detailed report of the findings encountered during the investigation into various allegations as related by ██████████.

During the early months of 1962, Los Angeles Police Officer, M. A. McCowan, F. W. Hall, J. V. Gambee, J. R. Squires, and D. G. Rickards were approached by Officer H. Latham with a scheme whereby they would receive \$75.00 for each transaction that they entered into with him on a real estate purchasing venture. Latham was to be the go-between the officers and David Kassab, a non-licensed real estate salesman. Each officer was to apply for a new home loan. Through a manipulation of trust deeds, the property would eventually go to David Kassab who would resell the homes at an inflated price.

The method of this operation employed by the Kassab group, was as follows: Master Escrows were opened with David Kassab as the buyer. The escrow provided for the sale of approximately 100 homes in the San Fernando Valley for the sum of \$18,200.00 each. On April the 19th, 1962, Kassab appointed two other individuals as his nominees in the above escrows. Individual escrows were subsequently opened on each house between the nominee, the sellers and other persons who were part of the Kassab group. The "Companion" escrows provided for a selling price of those houses in the amount of \$22,950.00.

In each "Companion" escrow, a "dummy" buyer applied for a new loan based on the inflated selling price. The "dummy" buyer would then deposit a check into the escrow and simultaneously

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sign an instruction authorizing for the immediate release of those funds to the seller. The escrows were concurrent in each house. This loan proceeding was then transferred to the original escrow from the "Companion" escrow.

A second trust deed was created on each of these houses. In some instances, the second trust deeds were sold to third parties and in other cases the second was sold directly through the escrow by a "dummy" buyer.

Individuals used by Kassab as "dummy" buyers included the aforementioned officers. Others included Dr. Stanley Dubrin and numerous other non-police personnel.

Kassab, working through Latham and McCowan told the officers that he, Kassab, did not have sufficient funds to undertake such a large purchase of the 100 houses which he was trying to purchase. Kassab proposed that the officers allow the American Nile Corporation to use their names and credit to acquire some of these homes. In exchange, the officers would receive \$75.00 for each home loan they applied for. Title to the houses would be in the officers names, and in case of any default in payment, they could take over the property.

Kassab told the officers that it would be necessary to deposit a check in escrow in the amount of \$2,000.00. In each case, none of the mentioned officers had the required \$2,000.00. However, Kassab assured them that the money would be put into their account to cover the "NSP" checks.

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The purpose of using "dummy" buyers to purchase title was to run the properties through "Sham" title holders and increase the value.

In other instances David Kassab, through a manipulation of trust deeds, was able to obtain temporary title of the property in question before it cleared escrow. He would then sell a second trust deed to an innocent buyer. After a short period of time, the involved officer's "NSF" checks would bounce, causing the first trust deed held in abeyance in escrow. David Kassab would then buy back the second trust deed from the innocent victim at a 50% discount on the pretext that the foreclosure was imminent. If necessary, he would take the money from the second trust deed to cover the shortage in the officer's bank accounts.

David Kassab was eventually arrested and convicted of another embezzlement and sent to the state prison on a land swindle of a property known as "Little Lake" in Inyo County.

A lengthy detailed investigation of the officers' conduct in this matter was conducted by Internal Affairs Division of the Los Angeles Police Department. This matter was presented to the District Attorney's Office to determine if these officers should also be brought to trial.

Deputy District Attorney Robert E. Remer rejected a complaint against the officers stating that although there appeared to be a good prima facie case of grand theft, especially in the Latham

The following report is a condensed summary of the Kassab investigation as outlined in the chart accompanying this report.

During the early months of 1962, Los Angeles Police Officers M.A. McCowan, D. G. Rickards and three other officers entered into a sham real estate purchasing venture with Officer Latham whereby they received from \$75.00 to \$250.00 for each transaction that they entered into with him. Latham was the go-between the officers and David Kassab, a non-licensed real estate salesman. Kassab applied for purchase of approximately 100 homes in the San Fernando Valley for a sum of \$18,200.00 each. Individual escrows were immediately opened on each house. The officers acting as "dummy" buyers applied for new loans based on an inflated price. In some cases, second trust deeds were sold to unsuspecting buyers before title was cleared through escrow. When the "non-sufficient funds" checks, submitted by the officers earlier as down payment on the property bounced, Kassab would buy back the second trust deed at a 50 per cent discount on the pretext that a foreclosure was imminent.

David Kassab was born in Bagdad, Iraq. He is the third of seven children who was forced, with his parents, to flee their homeland because of anti-Jewish feelings in that country. He and his family lived in Bagdad from 1940 to 1948. During the years of 1948 and 1949 his family lived in Urban Teheran, Iran. He came to the United States in 1949 and has been living in Los Angeles ever since. He has been in the real estate business since 1955.

Kassab's arrest record dates back to August 28, 1959 when he was arrested for grand theft. This case involved a

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a travel agency sham with a co-defendant, George Dimitrovich. Both were doing business under the name of Europa Travel. They advertised air transportation at greatly reduced rates. The prospectus was that a plane would be leased from a Mexican Airline and flights would operate to Europe from Mexico. The round trip flight was advertised at \$545.00. Both David Kassab and Dimitrovich collected over \$30,000.00 from 80 UCLA students. They pocketed the money and did not fulfill their contract. Intelligence reports indicated that both David Kassab and Dimitrovich were probably in partnership with Joe Sica, in this travel agency. Although there were strong indications of the Sica connection, positive proof could not be established.

Working with David Kassab, while involved in the home buying sham, was Dr. Stanley Dubrin. Dubrin listed himself as the Vice-president of the American Nile Corporation, a real estate office. David Kassab listed himself as a co-owner of that Corporation. Other Kassab family members affiliated themselves with that organization as did several relatives of the Kassab Clan.

Dr. Stanley Dubrin's arrest record dates back to February 28, 1963 when he was charged with grand theft. In this case, a first trust deed was inadvertently reconveyed to him. Although he had knowledge of this error, he sold the property as "free and clear," then dissipated the funds. On October 14, 1966, Dubrin was arrested for the crime of abortion but was released due to insufficient evidence. On June 14, 1963, the Los

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Angeles Police Department was advised that Dr. Dubrin had propositioned an ex-convict to murder his ex-wife, Kathy Dubrin, aka, Ink. Dubrin was not brought to trial or arrested for this solicitation of murder due to the informants lack of cooperation with the investigators. Without that persons testimony, a case could not be established.

In 1966, Dubrin rented office space from Joe M. Arnoff the owner of the "Big A" stores at 8341 Conoga Blvd., Conoga Park, in connection with his medical practice. Dubrin and Arnoff have been close friends since 1962. He was also the Arnoff family physician.

Arnoff eventually went bankrupt at the "Big A" stores and severed his business relationship with Dr. Dubrin. Both, however, remained on friendly terms and still meet socially on occasion.

Arnoff was introduced to David Kassab by Dr. Dubrin but did not become acquainted any further.

Arnoff was involved in the bribery case concerning Councilman Tom Shepard to the extent that he, Arnoff, was one of the owners of a seven acre parcel of land in Conoga Park which was rezoned in 1964 for the purpose of constructing multiple dwelling units. Councilman Shepard was later indicted on bribery charges in connection with this rezoning. Arnoff owned 45 per cent of the building corporation stock.

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Another figure in the Shepard case was Wallace White who received 45 per cent of the corporation's stock for putting up the initial cash investment. Arthur Toll, the attorney for this corporation, received five per cent of the stock as his fee for legal services rendered. Gerald Chase, a C.P.A., received the remaining five per cent for handling the tax account of the same corporation.

Gerald Chase is a business partner in the accounting firm of Chase, Bierman and Dunn at 280 S. Beverly Drive, Suite 402, Beverly Hills, California. Chase was also the accountant for Arnoff while the latter was doing business at the "Big A" stores. Both parties terminated their business association during March 1965. Their relationship at that time was strictly business. They never became close friends. At present, Chase is suing Arnoff for back pay owed to him during the time he was handling the "Big A" account.

Among the numerous tax accounts that Gerald Chase handles is a person named Jim Braden. He has handled Braden's Empire Oil Corporation account since 1963 or 1964.

Note: See the detailed report of Braden's entire investigation at the end of this report.

Braden has been associated with Victor Pereira for numerous years. Both were sent to federal prison for grand theft. In this case, both had conspired to bilk Pereira's former wife out of a large sum of money. Both Pereira and Braden are acquainted with the Smalldone Brothers who belong to the "Mafia."

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Another mutual acquaintance of Braden and Pereira was a person named Arthur Clark Sr., who is now deceased. Clark was a former member of the Old Detroit Purple Gang. Pereira, when released from prison, was given employment by Earl Scheib of the car painting fame. Intelligence reports indicate that Pereira was also associated with Paul Billings who was closely associated with Mafia members such as the Battaglia Brothers. In 1962, Pereira had an active financial interest in a New York business firm named Grouth Industries. He handled new stock issues for Accurate Electronics. He sold Fred and Alfred Sica \$4500.00 worth of this stock and retained the shares in his name. Investigation indicated that this was a hoodlum operated company headed by the Colleti Brothers.

The background investigation of Officers Latham and Rickards indicated that they were active members of the John Birch Society in 1963. The John Birch Chapter in the North Hollywood area, was closely associated with the Minutemen Society of which Edgar Eugene Bradley, Carole Aydelotte, Arthur Aydelotte, Keith Gilbert, Dennis Mower, Phillip Scheib and other right wing extremists were members.

In checking the background of these Minutemen members, Officer C.E. White's names was mentioned as a friend of Keith Duane Gilbert. On February 25, 1965, 1400 pounds of stolen dynamite was located in Gilbert's garage apartment at 419 Western, Glendale, California. The owner of the residence who lived in the front house was Bernice Iverson, the sister of Officer White. During an interview with White, by the investigating officers in the dynamite burglary

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case, he admitted his acquaintance with Gilbert. He also admitted attending a Minutemen rally several months prior where Troy Houghton, the West Coast Director of the Minutemen, spoke. He also admitted knowing Dennis Mower, a militant Minuteman.

An investigation into Gilbert's background indicated that a business card with the inscription "Michael Wayne, Promoter" was found in Gilbert's residence when the dynamite was located.

This Michael Wayne, it was speculated by this investigator, was the same young male Caucasian who was at the Ambassador Hotel June 5, 1968 when Senator Kennedy was shot. Shortly after the shooting, Michael Wayne was seen running from the kitchen area and subsequently stopped and later questioned by Los Angeles Police Detectives. During that interrogation, it was noted that he was in possession of a card bearing the name of Keith Gilbert. Due to the fact that Gilbert was an extremist in the right wing organization and Michael Wayne was seen running from the scene of the shooting, an intensive investigation was conducted to determine their association.

On April 1, 1968, Gilbert was interviewed in San Quentin prison with reference to Wayne's business card and his connection with ultra-extremist groups. Gilbert admitted his own membership in the Minutemen Society, but could not recall the persons who gave him the business card with Wayne's name. Gilbert indicated that he had acquired numerous business cards while in the firearms business in which he and another Minuteman, Robert R. Romero were partners.

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Note: Although Wayne's card was one of many found in Gilbert's residence, at the time of the dynamite discovery, the name Wayne could not be found among any of Gilbert's other papers.

Gilbert, it was noted, was anxious to be truthful with this investigator as his parole investigating officer was present during this interview. Gilbert stated he did not want to lie and hurt his chances for an early parole.

Gilbert, it was learned earlier, wrote a letter to Senator R.F. Kennedy on March 1, 1967 from San Quentin prison. In that letter, he stated that he was a member of the Minutemen Organization and had vital information connecting Lee Harvey Oswald to the Minutemen. When questioned about this letter, Gilbert stated that he had received this information from Dennis Mower and that he, Gilbert, did not have actual knowledge that Oswald was a Minuteman.

Numerous photographs were shown to Gilbert which included persons he definitely knew. Among these pictures was a photograph of Michael Wayne. Gilbert identified all the photographs that the investigator knew Gilbert was associated with. However, he failed to identify a picture of Michael Wayne. He emphatically denied having ever met Michael Wayne but added that he probably received the business card from one of many people he met at a gun show in Yuma, Arizona.

Additionally, Gilbert related that Dennis Mower had informed him that Edgar Eugene Bradley had been involved in a murder of a person known as Dallas Roquemore, whose death had been listed as suicide.

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A later investigation into this allegation revealed that Roquemore, an acquaintance of Bradley, was shot and accidentally killed by Frank A. Austin in Weaverville, California on January 4, 1964. An investigation by the Weaverville Sheriff's office and a polygraph examination proved beyond a doubt that the shooting was accidental. Edgar Eugene Bradley was in Southern California at the time of that shooting.

Michael Wayne was reinterviewed on April 1, 1969 to determine his knowledge of the "Wayne" card found at Gilbert's residence and also of Gilbert's card found in his possession on the morning of June 5, 1968.

Wayne was administered a polygraph examination by Lt. E. Hernandez in which he was asked about the business cards and about his running from the scene of the shooting at the Ambassador Hotel. Lt. Hernandez stated that in his opinion, Wayne was being truthful when he replied that he did not know Gilbert, nor had he ever given him a business card, nor had he ever had a business card bearing his own name. He could not recall how he obtained Gilbert's card, nor who had given it to him. The polygraph examination also indicated he was truthful in replying that he had never been a member of the Minutemen, nor was he associated with them.

During an investigation into the membership of the Minutemen Society in North Hollywood area, it was learned that Phillip Scheib was also a member. Phillip Scheib is the son of Earl Scheib. Phillip Scheib was also a personal friend of Officer C.E. White.

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Earl Scheib was a close associate of Victor Pereira and of Paul Billings, who had Mafia connections. Earl Scheib's background indicates close ties with numerous other underworld figures such as the Sica Brothers, Jim Braden, Anthony Tuccelli, Harold Metzger, Vincent J. Meallo and numerous others.

Joe Sica, a Mafia member, is known to have associated with Karl Hoogoian who is a member of the Board of Directors of the San Fernando Valley Rubbish Collectors Association. Hoogoian in turn was known to associate with David Kassab.

Russel E. Parsons, the attorney for Sirhan B. Sirhan, is known to have associated with Joe Sica in the past. Besides being the Sica attorney, indications are that Parsons was a personal friend of the Sicas.

In 1966, Parsons defended Michael McCowan in the latter's criminal retrial when he was charged with "theft of U.S. mail." McCowan was convicted and received a probation sentence of three years. Shortly after Parsons was retained as the attorney for Sirhan B. Sirhan, he contacted Michael McCowan and hired him as a chief investigator for the defense in that case.

The following is a detailed report on the background investigation of Jim Braden. Jim Braden's name first came to the attention of this investigative unit from Peter Noyes, a newscaster and writer. Noyes indicated that Braden was probably the person that Jack Garrison, the District Attorney from New Orleans, was looking for instead of Edgar Eugene Bradley in connection with an alleged conspiracy to assassinate President John F. Kennedy.

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Braden has an extensive criminal record dating back to May 15, 1934 when he was convicted for burglary in Kansas. His last arrest was for shoplifting in Los Angeles on February 9, 1964.

In 1951, Braden and Victor Pereira joined together to commit fraud. The victim in this case was Pereira's ex-wife. Braden and Pereira were convicted of interstate fraud and conspiracy and sentenced to 12 years in a federal penitentiary. Braden was in prison from March 1954 until February 1959 at which time he was released on parole in Los Angeles, California.

After leaving prison, he began working for the Morgan Brown Oil Corporation at 9251 Wilshire Boulevard as a clerk and oil consultant. Pereira, who was also on federal parole had an office in the same building where Braden worked.

Braden worked for the Morgan Brown Corporation for several years. He frequently traveled with Mr. Morgan Brown as his consultant on trips to Louisiana and Texas. Morgan Brown knew of Braden's past prison record.

On October 10, 1960, Braden, twice divorced, married a fifty-five year old widow, Mildred A. Bollman, an heiress to the Swift Meat Company estate.

In 1962, Braden and his wife Mildred, formed the Matador Oil Corporation in Matagorda County, Texas and Opelousas, Louisiana. In 1962, Braden showed his parole officer an oil dividend

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check for \$19,000.00 which he stated was from a quarter interest in the Matagorda County Texas Oil Company.

In 1962, Braden told his parole officer that he and his wife had been threatened by Arthur Clark Jr. because Clark believed Braden owed him money for "services rendered" when Braden and Robert Bollman formed a cattle venture in Chicago. In that same year, Braden and Bollman opened a \$25,000.00 bank account at the First Stockyard Bank, Chicago, Illinois in the name of the "B and B Cattle" account. Clark, according to Braden, was described as an oil promoter. Braden and Pereira's association with the Clarks began in 1953.

In 1963, according to parole reports, Braden, through the Matador Oil Corporation became associated with the Bauman Drilling Company of Dallas, Texas who were drilling a well for him in Landry-Parish, Louisiana.

Braden's association with Roger L. Bauman dates back to their association with Arthur Clark Sr. who was a member of the Old Detroit Purple Gang.

During Braden's parole, he made frequent trips to Texas, Louisiana and Florida. In the months of October, November, and December of 1963 he made trips to Dallas and Houston, Texas.

On November 18, 1963, Braden received permission from the Los Angeles parole office to leave for Dallas, Texas on November 20, 1963, and then to proceed to Houston, Texas. Braden

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estimated this trip would take him approximately ten days.

Braden reported to the parole officer in Dallas, Texas on November 21, 1963 at noon stating that he was going to be in Dallas for several days working on oil deals and conferring with Lamar Hunt.

On November 26, 1963, the Houston, Texas parole office reported that Braden had left that date for Los Angeles.

A check of Braden's record indicated that he used the following aliases: Gene Hale Brading, Gene Brady, Eugene Hale Brading, Harry Eugene Bradley, James Bradley Lee and James Lee Cole.

His true name is Eugene Hale Brading.

A check with the California Department of Motor Vehicles revealed that Eugene Hale Brading requested a name change on his operator's license to read Jim Braden. This request was made on September 10, 1963.

On March 11, 1963, Jim Braden opened an account with the City National Bank, Beverly Hills, by depositing two cashier's checks for \$11,500.00. One drawn on the City National Bank for \$8,000.00 and another drawn on the Crocker Citizen's National Bank for \$3,500.00.

On March 28, 1963, Braden made a checking withdrawal of \$10,000.00. This was found to be three cashier's checks all made payable to Jim Braden for amounts of \$5,000.00, \$3,000.00 and \$2,000.00.

Cashier's check #217883 for \$5,000.00 was endorsed by Jim Braden

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and cashed by the City National Bank, Palm Spring Branch on April 18, 1963. Cashier's check #217834 for \$3,000.00 was deposited by Jim Braden on May 8, 1963 at the City National Bank, Beverly Hills Branch.

On April 8, 1963, cashier's check #217835 for \$2,000.00 was endorsed by Jim Braden and deposited by the Thunderbird Country Club of Palm Springs, California, at the Bank of America, Palm Springs Branch.

A further examination of Braden's other miscellaneous checks revealed that on November 6, 1963 he wrote a \$200.00 check for cash; November 19, 1963 wrote a check for \$146.61 to General Telephone Company; November 20, 1963, \$200.00 for cash-expenses which were cashed by the Courtwright Corporation, Beverly Wilshire Hotel; November 21, 1963, \$183.72 made out to the Ambassador; December 18, 1963, \$10.52 to Diners Club; November 19, 1963, \$147.31 to the May Company; December 19, 1963, \$5.93 to Harrison Hartford Company, Legal printing; December 19, 1963, \$17.86 to the Standard Oil Company.

Braden was released from the McNeil Island Federal Prison on February 13, 1959. He arrived in Los Angeles on February 14, 1959 and reported to the Federal Parole Office. The following are excerpts from Braden's parole report.

While in prison he corresponded with ANTHONY SMALLDONE (Mafia member) regarding oil well deals.

The following dates and notations are excerpts from Braden's Federal Parole office record.

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- 9-23-59 Pereira has an office in the same building as Morgan Brown Oil Company, Braden's employer.
- 10-28-59 Braden admitted to the P.O. that he had a girlfriend, Mildred Bollman, a wealthy widow.
- 4-5-61 Approved to travel to Tampa, Florida with his new wife, Mildred.
- 8-2-61 Told his P.O. that he had oil well explorations in Matagorda Co., Texas with his wife Mildred and Pereira. He requested permission to visit this well site.
- 8-10-61 Requested permission to travel to LaFayette, Louisiana. He was to leave Los Angeles on 8-14-61 and return on 8-21-61.
- 9-6-61 He told the P.O. that his wife Mildred had put up the capital for an oil well drilling venture.
- 4-11-62 Informed P.O. he was leaving for Houston, for Lafayette, Louisiana and on his return to Dallas.
- 4-23-62 Reported to P.O. that he had returned from Houston, Texas.
- 6-4-62 Requested to travel to MCHENRY, ILLINOIS with his wife Mildred to visit their farm.
- 1-2-63 Braden went to Hawaii approval from P.O.
- 1-4-63 Departed from Hawaii.
- 1-17-63 Returned to Los Angeles from Houston, Texas.
- 11-20-63 Left L.A. for Dallas, Texas where he was to remain until November 21, 1963 then continue to Houston, Texas and remain there until November 26, 1963 before continuing to OPELOUSAS, LA. Upon arriving in Dallas on the 20th, reported to P.O.

Note: He reported to the Houston P.O. office on the 24th but did not mention his being picked up by the Sheriffs after the shooting of the president.

During his parole, Braden listed his addresses in the following order:

133 S. Spaulding Drive	Beverly Hills
324 S. Elm Street	Beverly Hills
966 Moraga Drive	Los Angeles, 49
11500 Bellagio Road	Los Angeles, 49
443 S. Barrington	West Los Angeles

While in prison, a report on Braden's background indicated he was a member of a "gang" with Paul Augustus King, Gerald P. Boding and Sidney "Doc" Solaway.

In 1956 while at McNeil Island the following persons were listed as Braden's personal friends. Jack Boehl, Fort Worth, Texas and Donald Pick, Denver, Colorado.

Braden has been married four times.

- #1. 1940, married Blanch Perkins in Fort Lauderdale.
Divorced in 1942 in Dale Co., Florida.
- #2. June 4, 1951, married Margaret Berry in Durant, Oklahoma.
He used the name of James B. Lee. He was divorced from his wife while he was in jail in El Paso, Texas. Divorce obtained in an Ohio court.
- #3. October 10, 1960, married Mildred Bollman in Beverly Hills. Divorced March 1963.

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#4. January 30, 1967 married Jean DeSanders in Mexico. Divorced June 7, 1968.

During the time of his parole, from February 14, 1959 until April 1962, Braden reported that his earnings from his clerical position at the Morgan Brown Oil Company were from \$350.00 to \$500.00 per month. Beginning May 1962, he reported his earnings per month as follows:

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May	\$1,425.90
September	\$6,467.58
January	\$5,972.00
February	\$4,368.00
March	\$2,690.00
April	\$1,849.00
May	\$1,220.00
June	\$2,106.00
July	\$2,104.00
August	\$2,104.00
September	\$2,104.00
October	\$7,642.00
November	\$2,104.00
December	\$2,104.00

Braden reported that the money in excess of \$500.00 was from various oil well royalties. One of the oil wells mentioned was the Ledoux Well. (Location unknown.)

On July 17, 1964, Braden wrote a letter to an attorney J.P. Straessley of Miami, Florida, stating that he was enclosing a personal check for \$39,500.00 for the purchase of the E.L. Cotton Lot located in the Coral Gables Estates, Dade, Florida.

During his entire parole period, Braden went by his true name Eugene H. Brading. There is no indication that he formally notified

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his P.O. of a name change with the California Department of Motor Vehicles. However, there are letters from Braden to the P.O. with this name change.

There is no mention to his P.O. about his using the name of Braden when arrested for shoplifting on April 9, 1964.

On November 22, 1963, shortly after President John Kennedy was shot, Braden was in a building across the street from the Dallas School Depository. He was interrogated by the Dallas Sheriffs Department and released

Note: See attached copy of Dallas Sheriffs report and F.B.I. interview regarding that investigation.

There is no record of Braden having informed the parole officers in Los Angeles, Dallas, or Houston that he had been interviewed by the Dallas Sheriffs regarding his being in a building in which he did not belong shortly after the President was shot.

On January 30, 1967, Braden married a wealthy Texas widow, Jean DeSanders. On June 7, 1968, Miss DeSanders filed for a divorce. During the early months of their marriage, Braden convinced Miss DeSanders that she should invest \$500,000.00 of her money into his company, The Empire Oil Corporation, a Nevada Corporation. She agreed to deposit this sum of money after stipulating that the money would not be touched. This money was to draw interest and pay off minor debts only. Braden, however, managed to manipulate \$35,000.00 into his own account. Miss DeSanders learned of this money shortage and realized that Braden was attempting to bilk her out of the entire amount.

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She hired an attorney who managed to salvage all of the money with the exception of the \$30,000.00. Braden, according to Miss DeSanders was in some type of partnership with Duane Nolan and Chester Paxton in the Empire and Royalty Corporations in LaFayette, Louisiana. Miss DeSanders brought suit against both Empire Oil Companies and mentioned Braden, Paxton and Nolan in the suit. She added that Braden had an office at the firm of Chase Bierman and Dunn accountants at 280 S. Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills. Mona Chapman, a secretary of this firm was also listed as an officer of the Empire Oil Corporation.

Note: Mona Chapman's connection with Jim Braden was investigated and it was learned from Gerald Chase that Mona Chapman had worked for his C.P.A. firm. However, when he learned that she was listed in Braden's Empire Oil Corporation, he fired her.

Braden obtained Corporate approval for the Empire Oil Corporation on May 24, 1969 from the state of Nevada. The Corporate papers indicated that the share holders in the company were Jean Braden, Mona Chapman, Martha Herndon and Jean Cox.

Among some papers that were turned over to Mr. R. M. Hale, an investigator for the State of California Division of Corporations, by Miss DeSanders, the following notations, in Braden's handwriting, were noted: "Abe Meltzer from 1/16-/32, Chester Paxton 1/8-1/8." There were also six other names with similar notations. Miss DeSanders interpreted these figures to represent dividends paid to share holders.

Note: Copies attached to this report.

In trying to locate Braden's present address, investigators were informed that he was living at the La Costa Country Club in Carlsbad, California, telephone number, 714-729-7111. A

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check of the hotel records indicated he was a member only and not living at that location. He listed his home address with the club as 280 S. Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California. He also listed his telephone number as 472-7720. A check of the latter telephone number in the Los Angeles area indicated it was registered as a non-published subscription to Bernard Denberg of 1632 Stradella Road in Bel Air. An investigation into Denberg's occupation indicated that he was possibly the Vice-president of the Philco Radio Company.

The Empire Oil and Royalty Corporation was chartered November 7, 1966 in Louisiana by Jim Braden, (President), Evelyn Drodgy, (Vice-president) and Duncan M. Smith Jr. (Secretary-treasurer). The address of the corporation is listed as 201 Oil Center Drive, P. O. Box 51643, Oil Center Station, LaFayette, Louisiana. That corporation was listed as having \$25,000.00 in capital at the time of its corporation.

On May 6, 1969, Braden telephoned Sergeant M. F. Gutierrez and requested to know why he was being investigated. Braden was told that the investigation concerned Victor Pereira. Braden added that his ex-wife, Mildred Bollman, had informed him that an investigator had been inquiring about him. In this conversation Braden denied knowing Arnoff or Kassab, but admitted knowing Gerald Chase, the accountant.

Note: See attached report of Braden's verbatim telephone conversation.

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Reason of, and/or Reason for making report:

Subject preparing to open his own phone spot for bookmaking

Details of Report:

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5-10-62

Subject told K015-1 he had heard JACK WOODS (IDF) has been indicted for murder. Subject may be getting his information from ATTORNEY RUSSELL PARSONS with whom he is very close. Subject can always be reached quickly by calling either PARSONS' office or GLASSER BROS. BAIL BONDS, and leaving a number.

Subject is preparing to open up his own phone spot for Horse and sports bookmaking. Until present, he has recently been paying other bookmakers to take off his action on their phone spots.

A business rundown has been requested on ACCURATE ELECTRONICS CORP. of which subject holds 4500 shares in name of VIC PEREIRA (IDF).

Information is that this corporation is hoodlum operated, COLLETTI BROS. are mentioned as running the company.

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Resumé of, and/or Reason for making, report:

Subject owns 4,500 shares of ACCURATE ELECTRIC stock worth in excess of \$18,000.

Details of Report:

2-8-62

Subject currently holds 4,500 shares of ACCURATE ELECTRIC stock. This is over-the-counter stock. Subject paid \$2.00 per share and stock is reported to now be worth in excess of \$4.00 per share. He intends to sell all of his shares very soon.

This stock was promoted by VICTOR EMANUEL PEREIRA (IDF), president of VELCO PROPERTIES, INC. E015-1 sold 500 shares of this stock which was given him by PEREIRA. Informant has 500 shares more he obtained at original cost for assisting in promotion which he intends to sell. PEREIRA is close associate of numerous hoodlums and is an ex-con. The office of his VELCO PROPERTIES, INC. is at 8255 Beverly Blvd., Room 205. He is listed as president and manager. Directors include his wife, EVELYN (IDF), ALBERT E. SUNSHINE (IDF), a tax consultant and associate of JOHN BATTAGLIA, JOE SICA and MIKE RIZZO (all IDF).

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September 14, 1956

Daniel P. Sullivan
Operating Director
Miami Crime Commission
703 Biscayne Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Dan:

This Department has under investigation ARTHUR LEWIS CLARK, SR., FBI 3709258, and a ROGER BACMAX. These men are representing themselves as officials of the SEASHEAM OIL COMPANY, 212 Roosevelt Theatre building, Miami Beach, and both are spending money very lavishly.

CLARK has been arrested several times and has been associated with many confidence men and hoodlums, such as JAMES PRATIENNO, VICTOR PEREIRE, EUGENE BRADING, CLARENCE MOORE, STEPHEN SAMBOE, the SMALDONN brothers of Teaver, and many others.

In 1953 CLARK had in progress of the Atlantic Island, Miami Beach. Several years ago he was closely connected with the gambling interests in Dade County and in Broward Springs.

The only information available regarding BACMAX is that he is supposed to be from Dallas, Texas.

We would appreciate any information available regarding the above mentioned oil company or any operation in which CLARK or BACMAX may be involved.

Thank you for past cooperation.

Sincerely,

JAMES W. HAMILTON, CAPTAIN
FBI MIAMI
IN CHARGE OF UNIT

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October 16, 1956

Daniel P. Sullivan
Operating Director
Miami Crime Commission
703 Biscayne Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Dan:

Thank you for the detailed information on ARTHUR LEWIS CLARK. Your summary of his "Financial endeavors" is valuable material for our files.

Judging from his background, interests, and well known associates, CLARK'S lavish spending in this area will bear further investigation. He and ROGER BAUMAN are reportedly involved in an off lease deal locally. If further information concerning this is obtained, it will be forwarded to you.

Thanks again for bringing us up to date on CLARK, and please advise when we may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

JAMES E. HAMILTON, CAPTAIN
COMMANDER
INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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Braden signed statement

VOLUNTARY STATEMENT. Not Under Arrest. Form No. 68



SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
COUNTY OF DALLAS, TEXAS

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this the 22 day of November A. D. 19 63

personally appeared Jim Braden, Address 621 S. Barlington Dr.
Apt. 6 Los Angeles, Calif.
Age 49, Phone No. 4725301 Home Office 215 S. La Cienega Blvd.
Beverly Hills, California

Deposes and says:-

I am here on business (oil business) and was walking down Elm Street trying to get a cab and there wasn't any. I heard people talking saying "My God the President has been shot." Police cars were passing me coming down toward the triple underpass and I walked up among many other people and this building was surrounded by police officers with guns and we were all watching them. I moved on up to the building across the street from the building that was surrounded and I ask one of the girls if there was a telephone that I could use and she said "Yes, there is one on the third floor of the building where I work". I walked through a passage to the elevator they were all getting on (freight elevator) and I got off on the third floor with all the other people and there was a lady using the pay telephone and I ask her if I could use it when she hung up and she said it was out of order and I tried to use it but with no success. I ask her how I can get out of this building and she said that there is an exit right there and then she said wait a minute here is the elevator now. I got on the elevator and returned to the ground floor and the colored man who ran the elevator said you are a stranger in this building and I am not suppose to let you up and he ran outside to an officer and said to the officer that he had just taken me up and down in the elevator and the officer said for me to identify myself and I presented him with a credit card and he said well we have to check out everything and took me to his superior and said for me to wait and we will check it out. I was then taken to the Sheriff's office and interrogated.

Jim Braden

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this the 22nd day of Nov A. D. 19 63

William C. [Signature]

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas



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INTERVIEW WITH CAROL AYDELOTTE

Jan. 13, 1964

The next morning Mrs. Aydelotte observed a large paper cup on the front lawn, which had several cherry bombs in it.

Mrs. Aydelotte stated that a friend by the name of [REDACTED] (Clinton E. White, #5683, policeman, communications division) had dropped by the house and she had discussed this cherry bomb incident with him. She declined to say whether he was a member of the JBS, but Mr. [REDACTED] stated that he was.

The above information concludes most of the interview; however, other information was developed to try and link this incident with other bombings in the Valley area.

[REDACTED], age 25, has worked as a bouncer. Is an alleged friend of Clinton E. White. Mrs. Aydelotte states that he does not have a car, and lives in Canoga Park with telephone number DI 6-7295.

Neither Daniel or Edward F. McCarthy has a vehicle.

[REDACTED] drives a 1960 blue Falcon, probably registered to his father. Bransby stated at one time that he lived in New York City and roomed with the son of Alger Hiss. Mrs. Aydelotte stated that in school Bransby has debated the liberal side of subjects and qualified this statement by saying that it was 2nd hand information.

[REDACTED] a lay preacher, and alleged to be a representative of [REDACTED] Bible Presbyterian and Fundamentalists, seems to be very religious and conservative, makes the same remarks to Mrs. Aydelotte as [REDACTED]. The remarks center around the JBS collapsing within three months from internal action, and if Mrs. Aydelotte knew what he knew about [REDACTED] she would get out of the organization.

Gene Bradley is also associated with a JOHN LORENZ who was kicked out of the JBS for passing anti-Jewish literature out at meetings.

Gene Bradley and John Lorenz are both friends of [REDACTED]. Swift was once an avid follower of [REDACTED]. Swift and Bradley have, on occasion, been seen together.

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May 7, 1969

At approximately 10 a.m., a male telephoned and identified himself as a special agent for the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation for the State of California. He requested to speak to someone in connection with the Jim Braden investigation. Officer T. J. Miller talked to this person and informed him that any further inquiries would have to be made in person.

At 11:45 a.m., Mr. ~~Richard J. Mercurio~~ came into S.U.S. Office and presented a business card which indicated he was a C.I.I. Investigator. Mr. Mercurio stated that he had left his credentials at his office. A telephone check to C.I.I. indicated that Mr. Mercurio was indeed a special agent for the unit. Mercurio requested information regarding ~~Jim Braden~~, stating that his office was interested in this particular subject, due to the fact that they are also investigating the ~~Conrad Lee Shepard~~ case. When asked what Braden's connection was with Shepard, he stated that ~~Robert [redacted]~~ had given a Deputy Attorney General that information. Mr. Mercurio was told that since the investigation into Braden's past would probably entail trips to various parts of California or out of state and that it appeared that this was not a case connecting him with Sirhan, the entire investigation was being forwarded to a local F.B.I. office. Further inquiries into this matter could be made through F.B.I. Agent, La Jeunesse. The interview was then terminated.

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RICHARD J. MERCURIO
SPECIAL AGENT

BUREAU OF CRIMINAL IDENTIFICATION
AND INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

401 STATE BLDG.
LOS ANGELES, CALIF. 90012

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Agency:

Sheriff Dallas, Texas

March 25, 1969

On March 13, 1969, Mr. Sweat of the Dallas Texas County Sheriff's Department was contacted regarding the interview of Jim Braden. Mr. Sweat located the interview and stated that Braden was interviewed shortly after the shooting of the President. Braden was found in a building where he had no business being. A statement was taken from him and released. Mr. Sweat could not send this investigator a copy of the interview without the approval of Sheriff Decker. He assured me that the Sheriff would cooperate and send it to this unit.

After waiting several weeks and three telephone calls later, Sheriff Decker was contacted. ~~Sheriff Decker~~ refused to forward the report stating he was not going to re-open the case. When assured that there was no intent on re-opening his or anyone's case regarding the President's assassination, he still refused to comply.

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When deputy Lewis states that **Jim Braden** "was in building when Pres. assassinated," the inference seems to be that Braden was in the **Texas Book Depository**. What other building could Lewis have been talking about? From the very moment the fatal shots were fired the Texas Book Depository was foremost in the minds of every investigator in Dallas.

The deputy decided to take Jim Braden into custody for questioning. According to one report, Lewis became suspicious when Braden tried to identify himself with a credit card from the Richfield Oil Company. From that brief encounter between Lewis and Braden we find one important piece of evidence, the California driver's license numbered H 751 775 with which Braden finally identified himself. That number is important because it opens up a whole new area of investigation never before explored by the FBI.

The records of the California Department of Motor Vehicles show that license H 751 775 belongs to Jim Braden of 280 South Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, California. The Braden file shows that he uses his place of work as his address on the license "for business reasons." Before moving to that work address, Braden used 215 S. La Cienega Boulevard, also in Beverly Hills. Both addresses are office buildings where Braden has been associated with the same group of businessmen since the early 1960s.

But, there is one other important piece of evidence. The Department's file shows that Jim Braden was not always known by that name. Before September 10, 1963, he was known as **Eugene Hale Brading**, the name of a former convict with a criminal record dating back to 1934.

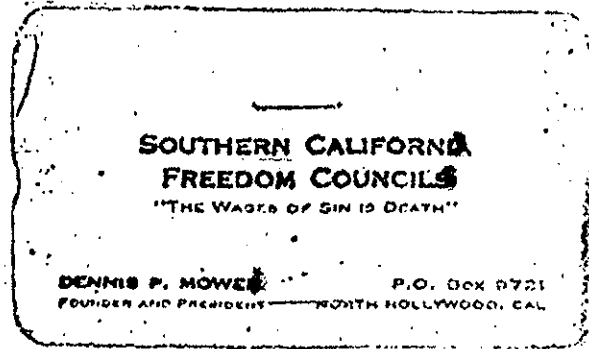
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On that day in September, less than 2-3 months before John Kennedy
was murdered, Eugene Hale Brading notified the driver's license division
of the California Department of Motor Vehicles that henceforth he would be
known as Jim Braden. And, Jim Braden it was.

But back to deputy Lewis in Dealey Plaza the day of the murder with
Jim Braden in tow. The deputy's suspicions were aroused so Braden was
taken to the Dallas Sheriff's Station for questioning. Lewis filed his
supplementary investigation report. Someone in the sheriff's office,
we don't know exactly whom, questioned Braden. After signing a
voluntary statement, which was notarized, Braden was released from
custody. In the confusion that existed that day in Dallas Braden was
just a face in the crowd, just another person who had been in Dealey
Plaza and should be routinely questioned about the crime of the century.

Without grounds of adequate suspicion a person being questioned
cannot be fingerprinted and photographed. Had that been done, of course,
Braden's true identity would have become known in a relatively short
period of time. Braden returned to Los Angeles where two months
later, in January of 1964, he was routinely questioned by FBI
agents making a follow-up investigation. The questioning was done in
the office building where Braden worked on La Cienega Boulevard. The
Los Angeles FBI agents were acting on the request of the FBI office in
Dallas simply to obtain any additional information Braden might be able
to shed on the assassination. Again there were no grounds for
suspecting and fingerprinting and Braden was able to hid behind his new
alias. That he told the FBI was substantially the same as what he
told someone in the Dallas Sheriff's office. The statement given in Dallas
can be found on page 469, Volume 1 of the report, and it would
be interesting to see what the Dallas Sheriff's office had to say.



COPY OF CALLING CARD FOUND ON WOULD-BE ASSASSIN IN MISSISSIPPI

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For a business combine that was on the verge of bankruptcy, money was apparently no problem. Not once during the scandal did Braden's name surface. One must wonder if he was a silent partner. There have been implications, from time to time, by state intelligence agents, that Braden was connected with a "high rolling gambling operation." Further, there was reason to suspect that he was connected with the cheating scandal over gambling games at the exclusive **Friars Club** in Beverly Hills. When the operation was at its peak at the **Friars Club**, scores of celebrities and movie stars were cheated out of thousands of dollars in card games that were rigged with all the ingenuity of a "Mission Impossible" plot.

Apart from Braden's connection with the partners, there was one other name under Room 402 in the building directory at 280 S. Beverly Drive that appeared to be worth noting, that of the Empire Oil Company. It would appear this particular **Empire Oil** is a mystery corporation. Various people in the office acknowledge that 280 S. Beverly Drive is the correct mailing address for Empire Oil. But those who inquire about the firm are told the principals are out of town. A check of state coproration records gives no evidence that such a company exists in the Beverly Hills area.

Returning to **Joseph Arnoff**, he is the man, as of late, who has generated the most publicity. For awhile he was considered a pioneer in the discount store business. That was when he introduced a cut-rate medical clinic at his store over the protests of just about every medical group around. The sales pitch went something like: "we can save you money on a flu shot." The man **Arnoff** picked to head up the clinic was a former osteopath and admitted bigamist named **[REDACTED]**.

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SUBJECT BRADLEY, EDGAR "GENE"		RESIDENCE ADDRESS	CITY	RES. PHONE	DATE OF COMPLETION 2-27-68		
ALIAS		BUSINESS ADDRESS	CITY	BUS. PHONE	CL. NO.		
SEX	DESCENT	DATE OF BIRTH	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	CHI NO.
VEHICLE YEAR - MAKE		BODY TYPE	COLOR	LICENSE NO.	YEAR STATE	FBI NO.	
VEHICLE REGISTERED TO:		ADDRESS	CITY	RELATION TO SUBJ.	DRIVER LIC. NO.		
NAME OF SPOUSE		OCCUPATION	EMPLOYED BY	SOC. SEC. NO.			

RESUME OF, AND/OR REASON FOR MAKING, REPORT:

BRADLEY living away from home the week of 2-26/3-2-68 so witnesses from New Orleans cannot identify him.

DETAILS OF REPORT:

BRADLEY stated on 2-27-68 that his attorney received a tip that ROGER CRAIG, ex-Deputy Sheriff from Dallas, Texas, and PENN JONES, publisher of a weekly paper from Mithlodian, Texas, would attempt to see **BRADLEY** and strengthen **CRAIG'S** identity of **BRADLEY**. **BRADLEY** is living with a friend in another part of the city while the two men are in Los Angeles. **CRAIG** and **JONES** are residing at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel. The rooms are under **JONES'** name. Unknown who is footing the bill.

BRADLEY said that he now has positive proof that a group of far right dissenters from the Valley area namely, (DO NOT INDEX) **WESLEY BRICE** (former protegee **BRADLEY**); members of the **ADVELOITTE** family (well known to Van Nuys Division); and **DENNIS MOWER** who is posing as an ex-deputy sheriff and is now a bodyguard for **DR. WESLEY SWIFT**.

BRADLEY claims this group believes that **BRADLEY** has been the "fink" that caused several of the group to be arrested in the past two or three years for C.C.W., transporting machine guns and homosexuality, therefore this is the revenge they seek, framing **BRADLEY**.

Certain persons of this group are prepared to offer sworn testimony that prior to **KENNEDY'S** death they observed **CLAY SHAW** (under indictment for the assassination) and a Dallas Police Deputy Chief enter and leave **BRADLEY'S** home on many occasions.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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SUBJECT'S NAME BRADLEY, Edgar Eugene		RESIDENCE ADDRESS	CITY	RES. PHONE	DATE OF OCCURRENCE 1-19-68
ALIASES		BUSINESS ADDRESS	CITY	BUS. PHONE	L.A. NO.
SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	HEIGHT	HAIR	EYES	TEETH
VEHICLE YEAR - MAKE	BODY TYPE	COLOR	LICENSE NO.	YEAR STATE	FBI NO.
VEHICLE REGISTERED TO:	ADDRESS	CITY	RELATION TO SUBJ.	DRIVER LIC. NO.	
NAME OF SPOUSE	OCCUPATION	EMPLOYED BY	SOC. SEC. NO.		

RESUME OF, AND/OR REASON FOR MAKING, REPORT:
BRADLEY claiming that local citizens are being recruited as false witnesses against him and fake photos in existence trying to prove **BRADLEY** in Dallas at time of **KENNEDY** assassination.

- DETAILS OF REPORT:
- ✓ **JAMES GARRISON (IDF)** - Attempting to line up false witnesses against **BRADLEY** plus fake photographs of **BRADLEY**.
 - ✓ **CLAY SHAW (NIP)** - Is alleged to have visited **BRADLEY** in **BRADLEY**'s home prior to **KENNEDY** assassination.
 - ✓ **DR. CARL McINTYRE (IDF)**- In Los Angeles area conducting mass meetings to raise funds for **BRADLEY**'S defense.
 - ✓ **GEORGE J. JENSEN (NIP)** - (**BRADLEY**'S attorney) - Constantly pressing for more money.
 - ✓ **DR. WESLEY A. SWIFT (IDF)**-
 - ✓ **DENNIS MOWER (IDF)** -
 - ✓ **ARTHUR AYDELOTTE (IDF)** - All associated with **SWIFT** and suspected by **EDGAR BRADLEY** as possible false witnesses regarding **CLAY SHAW**'S visit to **BRADLEY**'s home before **KENNEDY** assassination.
 - ✓ **CAROL AYDELOTTE (IDF)** -
 - ✓ **NATALIE NITTLE (NIP)** -
 - ✓ **TOM THORNHILL (NIP)** -
 - ✓ **ROBERT McWHIRTER (NIP)** -

BRADLEY interviewed 1-19-68, 8:30AM. He stated that his investigations are proving that **JIM GARRISON**, New Orleans District Attorney, is attempting to line up people in Los Angeles to testify that **CLAY SHAW** (under indictment in New Orleans) visited **BRADLEY** in **BRADLEY**'S North Hollywood home on many occasions prior to **KENNEDY**'s assassination. Of course, **BRADLEY** denies this.

BRADLEY said that persons close to **DR. WESLEY SWIFT**, including **CAROL** and **ARTHUR AYDELOTTE**, **NATALIE NITTLE** (mother of **CAROL**), **TOM THORNHILL, JR.**, **ROBERT McWHIRTER** and **DENNIS MOWER** may be among those attempting to back this allegation. **BRADLEY** said the above mentioned are all "right-wing hoods" and **MOWER** is now **SWIFT**'S chauffeur. The only reason **BRADLEY** can give for these local people being against him is due to **MOWER**'s arrest in 1964 for C.C.W., and **MOWER** to this day is accusing **BRADLEY** of informing the police of the weapon. **DR. SWIFT** is now preaching to his congregations that **BRADLEY** is a double agent and trying to alienate any support that **BRADLEY** might receive from right-wing groups.

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BRADLEY claims that GARRISON has a fake photograph of BRADLEY allegedly in custody of two uniform and three plainclothes police standing in front of the Book Depository in Dallas. The photo was allegedly taken right after the shooting. BRADLEY said the reason for GARRISON not divulging the existence of the photo is that BRADLEY at the time was under the "protection" of the F.B.I." BRADLEY denies he was in Dallas.

BRADLEY stated that DR. CARL McINTYRE has recently held three mass meetings in the Los Angeles area trying to raise money for BRADLEY's defense. Approximately \$4,400 to \$4,800 has been received, of course, McINTYRE's expenses will be deducted from this. BRADLEY said this amount is only a drop in the bucket and inferred that he was unhappy with McINTYRE's efforts to help him. McINTYRE has refused to use his vast radio audience to raise money for BRADLEY, preferring the mass meeting for this. McINTYRE is due back in Los Angeles from India 1-20-68 and BRADLEY is hoping that McINTYRE will continue the mass meeting effort.

BRADLEY said that GEORGE J. JENSEN, his attorney, keeps asking for more money all the time and the cost of his defense is BRADLEY's greatest worry, even more so at the present time than GARRISON's accusations.

BRADLEY stated that no hearing has been set for his extradition. GARRISON has not presented extradition papers to this State. According to BRADLEY's attorney, if the extradition papers are not served by 1-29-68, there is a possibility that the whole thing will be terminated.

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INTERNATIONAL ARMS CO.

City of Industry - Harassed by Government Agents.

SMORE -

Worked with HEMING from 1961 - Feb. 1963.

Lawrence John HOWARD Jr.

Worked with HEMING Sept. 1962 for about 3 months. Stated to be a stupid radical mexican.

AIR AMERICA ✓

Pilot made air drops.

EX-AID TO SENATOR SMATHERS & EX- ASSISTANT
STATE ATTORNEY -

Lawyer for HEMING'S group in Florida.

Jim GARRISON - ✓

Personal meetings between GARRISON AND HEMING on the KENNEDY Assassination, also a check from GARRISON to HEMING.

Leslie BRADLEY -

Professional assassin now working out of Florida, lives in Miami.

Person mentioned only as the ENGLISH MAN, appeared to be very active in Cuba and Florida.

Jerry COWIN - mentioned only.

BRADLEY had tape turned off so this name would not be recorded.

Four man organization of BROWN BERETS.

SHAY - mentioned - Last name only

* * Richard BILLINGS - mentioned

Mike ACOKEA - mentioned

Romano MOSSPERARE ✓ - Syndicate man

Emory TELIJUNKO - (Statement) Very rich man. Meetings with retired General WALKER.

Roy Hargroves

Ray HAVEGROVE or HARGROVE - Possible aka of HOAT.

The above is only a portion of the contents of the tape made at this meeting.

A general discussion was continued after the tape was turned off and source indicated that BRADLEY offered a large van type truck to HEMING which may or could be used as a mobile command post and communications center. Weapons were discussed and BRADLEY went on to say he is trying to obtain a large amount of

Edgar Eugene Bradley

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riot guns. BRADLEY has his own militant organization and is stated to be very hard core militant and very active.

GREENFIELD is very active against the Left and has participated in harassment at demonstrations.

The two women heard on the tape are identified as the ^{Edgar} wife of Eugene BRADLEY and wife of James GREENFIELD. (Elizabeth "Elsie")

The meeting broke about 5:00 a.m., Monday morning.

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Margaret C.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT

SUBJECT'S NAME BRADLEY, EUGENE		RESIDENCE ADDRESS 12208 Emelita St., No. Hwd		BFS. PHONE		DATE OF REPORT 4-15-69	
ALIASES		BUSINESS ADDRESS		BLS. PHONE		L.A. NO.	
SEX M	DESCENT Cauc	DATE OF BIRTH 50 yrs	HEIGHT 5-9	WEIGHT 180	HAIR blo	EYES blue	CIT. NO.
VEHICLE YEAR - MAKE		BODY TYPE	COLOR	LICENSE NO.	YEAR STATE	FBI NO.	
VEHICLE REGISTERED TO:			ADDRESS	CITY	RELATION TO S.BJ.	DRIVER LIC. NO.	
NAME OF SPOUSE			OCCUPATION	EMPLOYED BY	SOC. SEC. NO.		

RESUME OF, AND/OR REASON FOR MAKING, REPORT:

BRADLEY's recollection of DALLAS ROQUEMORE (deceased), also statements regarding his attorneys.

DETAILS OF REPORT:

EUGENE BRADLEY interviewed April 15, 1969, approximately 0920 hours, at his residence. **MR. BRADLEY** stated that he first met **DALLAS ROQUEMORE** approximately six or seven years ago. **BRADLEY** was conducting Bible classes in **BRADLEY's** home and **ROQUEMORE** attended twelve to fifteen classes. **BRADLEY** denied that he or **ROQUEMORE** were closely associated; that they ever exchanged confidences, or visited socially. On one occasion **BRADLEY** and **ROQUEMORE** together attended a church service in Norwalk, California, the church was pastored by a **ROY GILLESPIE** who was an associate of **GERALD K. SMITH, WESLEY SWIFT** and **KENNETH GOFF**. Until this time **BRADLEY** thought that **ROQUEMORE** was a moderate thinker, combining Christian beliefs with social right-wing reforms. However, after attending the service, **BRADLEY** realized that **ROQUEMORE** and **GILLESPIE** were so far right that even **BRADLEY** could not buy them and their opinions.

BRADLEY said that **ROQUEMORE** was acquainted with the **ADYLOTTE** family and **BRADLEY** is well aware of the fact that the **ADYLOTTEs** have accused **BRADLEY** of murdering **ROQUEMORE**. The **ADYLOTTEs** currently refer to **BRADLEY** as the C.I.A. assassin. **ROQUEMORE** conducted Karate classes in the **ADYLOTTE** residence.

Prior to **BRADLEY's** meeting **ROQUEMORE**, **ROQUEMORE** had written a book regarding survival in the wilderness entitled "Get Ye Up Into the High Mountains". **BRADLEY** alleged that experts in outdoor living have read the book and consider it one of the best in its field. (See copy of attached book cover and brief but concise background on **ROQUEMORE**). **KENNETH GOFF** had the book published but **ROQUEMORE** never received one dime in royalties.

Subsequently **ROQUEMORE** married a woman named **EILEEN** (surname unknown). **ROQUEMOREs** had two children by a former marriage and **EILEEN** had three children. **EILEEN's** father's first name was **AUSTIN** and her older brother's first name was **DAVE**. **BRADLEY** could not remember the surname but furnished from an old address book the address of 16835 Grand Street, Bellflower. **BRADLEY** said he had heard that **EILEEN's** mother and father were now deceased. He knew nothing of the older brother.

BRADLEY stated that **ROQUEMORE** was truly a mountain man and loved the outdoors and was an expert with the bow and arrow. While **ROQUEMORE** was an extreme rightwinger, he could not be convinced by his associates to buy or hoard guns and ammunition against the day when the Communists would take over. However, **BRADLEY** thought that **ROQUEMORE** finally bought some type of firearm (later events proved that he did).

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After ROQUEMORE was married, he, EILEEN, the children, and EILEEN's younger brother age approximately thirteen years, moved to the vicinity of Weaverville, California. ROQUEMORE had made a down payment on several acres of mountain land. ROQUEMORE's plans were to build a church, classroom buildings and living quarters for ministers he intended to invite to his lectures on Communism. ROQUEMORE was of the opinion that the least informed people in the United States on Communism were the religious leaders of this nation. He wished to correct that. ROQUEMORE alleged that he had backing for this adventure from several wealthy people but never identified them to BRADLEY. However, BRADLEY was of the opinion that ROQUEMORE intended to use the property for training in guerrilla warfare. BRADLEY could not remember who told him this.

When the ROQUEMORE family moved to Weaverville they rented a small house near their property. Word had leaked out among the residents in the area of ROQUEMORE's plans, and the ROQUEMORES were plagued with prowlers and several attempts to burn them out.

To the best of BRADLEY's recollection, approximately five years ago, ROQUEMORE and EILEEN visited Los Angeles to secure building materials, and during this visit they contacted BRADLEY and cordially invited him to visit them in Weaverville. The Roquemores then left Los Angeles enroute north to their residence. They had left the smaller children in care of EILEEN's thirteen year old brother. The ROQUEMORES arrived home late at night. According to BRADLEY, ROQUEMORE parked the vehicle some distance from their house. He and EILEEN crept toward the house, ROQUEMORE giving out with catcalls and Indian warwhoops (according to BRADLEY, ROQUEMORE was a great practical joker), they aroused EILEEN's brother who appeared on the front porch demanding to know who was out there. The boy was carrying a revolver in his hand. ROQUEMORE and EILEEN had hid under the porch. The boy again demanded who was there declaring that he would shoot. ROQUEMORE then threw a rock into a bush near the house, the noise frightened the boy, the weapon was discharged, the bullet went through the floor of the porch and into ROQUEMORE's head entering through the ear.

ROQUEMORE was then taken to a local hospital where he expired some hours later. EILEEN's young brother idolized ROQUEMORE and BRADLEY thought he had heard that the boy had lost his mind over the shooting. The actual events of the shooting were related to BRADLEY by EILEEN sometime after the shooting occurred.

BRADLEY stated that a full investigation of the shooting was conducted by the Sheriff's Office of the county of location and occurrence and should be on file there. Subsequently, EILEEN married a deputy sheriff from the local office there. They were divorced and she remarried again. The last BRADLEY heard of EILEEN she was near death from throat cancer but he believed she was still residing in the Weaverville area.

BRADLEY denied he murdered ROQUEMORE stating he was enroute to San Diego the date of the shooting and heard of the events on his car radio.

Regarding attorneys, BRADLEY stated he had dumped GEORGE JENSEN immediately after GOVERNOR REAGAN had denied GARRISON's request for BRADLEY's extradition. BRADLEY's attorney is now JOHN LA POLLETTE, 6290 W. Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, telephone 451-9955. BRADLEY said that LA POLLETTE has agreed

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to represent him for nothing. LA FOLLETTE was the attorney who offered to represent BRADLEY for no fee when GARRISON first named BRADLEY as a conspirator. BRADLEY admitted that choosing JENSEN was a mistake and now feels that LA FOLLETTE will do a good job for BRADLEY.

cc: SJS

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telephone out of order. He then got on ⁷⁻⁶ ~~an~~ elevator to return to the main floor. While on the elevator, a male negro who was running the elevator told Braden that he was not supposed to have allowed anyone in the building. The elevator operator called the Sheriffs and Braden was taken into custody. At the Sheriff's station, Braden gave a signed statement to one of the deputys and was released. When asked if he had reported this incident to his parole officer in Dallas or Los Angeles, he replied in the negative, stating that it was a matter of record and he saw no need to inform them. When asked about his name change on the drivers license, Braden replied that this was for business reasons and that he had received the approval of his parole officer to make the name change on his drivers license. Braden indicated that he was calling from his attorney's office and that this investigator could call him, Braden, at his home if he wished to ask any further questions.

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The money in excess of \$500.00 which was his wages, came from various oil well royalties according to Braden's P.O. report. One of the oil wells mentioned was the LEDOUX WELL, (Location unknown.)

On July 17, 1964, Braden wrote a letter to an attorney J.P. STRAESSLEY in Miami Florida, stating that he was enclosing a personal check for \$39,500 for the purchase of the E.L. Cotton lot location in Coral Gables Estates, Dade Florida.

During his entire parole period, Braden went by his true name EUGENE H. BRADING. There is no indication that he formally notified his P.O. of a name change to DMV on ~~October~~ 1963. However, there are letters from Braden to the P.O. with this name change.

There is no mention to his P.O. about his using the name of Braden when arrested for shoplifting on April 9, 1964.

Of his physical description the only scar noted is a surgical scar on the upper right arm.

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matter, there were practical difficulties in presenting the matter to a trial jury. Additionally, he added that the criminal causes of action against the officers were extremely weak, and suggested that the Department reconsider the matter internally.

Investigation into the business dealings each officer had with the Kassab Clan revealed that Officer Latham entered into 22 transactions directly through David Kassab. McCowan participated in 13 real estate purchases. One of McCowna's real estate transactions involved Officer G. B. Netzley, in which both attempted to follow the same scheme as did David Kassab. The remaining four officers conducted their real estate transactions through Kassab via Latham. The purchase of the various homes by the latter four officers varied from one to three transactions each.

A background check of each officer involved indicated that Rickards and Latham were affiliated with the John Birch Society in North Hollywood. Further investigation disclosed that some members of the Minutemen Society infiltrated this organization and recruited the more militant Birchers into their society. Among the Minutemen in this area, the following persons were found to be affiliated with that society. Dallas Roquemore, (deceased), Troy Houghton, Phillip E. Scheib, Edgar Eugene Bradly, Carol Aydelotte, Arthur Aydelotte, Keith D. Gilbert, Delos Lowell, Gerald L. K. Smith, Reverend Dennis Mower, Reverend Wesley Swift, Keith D. Templeton, James Thornton, and

Robert R. Romero. It was also learned that, now retired Los Angeles Police Officer C. W. White, was also closely associated with Gilbert, the Aydelottes, Scheib and Mower.

On February 25, 1965, 1400 pounds of stolen dynamite was located in the garage apartment residence of Keith D. Gilbert, at 419 Western, Glendale, California. The owner of this residence who lived in the front house was Mrs. Bernice Iverson, the sister of Officer White. During an interview with White, by the investigating officer in the dynamite burglary case, he admitted knowing Dennis Mower, a militant Minuteman.

A check of Gilbert's background was conducted to determine his involvement with Officer White. At the time the dynamite was located at his home, Gilbert was in possession of a business card with the inscription "Michael Wayne-Promoter."

Michael Wayne, it was speculated by this investigator, was the same young male caucasian who was at the Ambassador Hotel on June 5, 1968, when Senator Kennedy was shot. Shortly after the shooting, Michael Wayne was seen running from the kitchen area and was subsequently stopped and interrogated. During the interrogation, it was noted that he was in possession of a card bearing the name, Keith Gilbert. Due to the fact that Gilbert was an extremist in the right wing organization and Michael Wayne was seen leaving the scene of the shooting, an intense investigation was conducted to determine their association.

Keith Gilbert was interviewed in San Quentin Prison, April 1,

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1969, with reference to Wayne's business card and his connection with the Minutemen. Gilbert admitted his membership in the Minutemen Society, but stated he did not recall the person who had given him the business card with Wayne's name. Gilbert indicated that he had acquired numerous business cards while in the fire-arms business in which he and other Minutemen, Robert R. Romero, were partners.

Gilbert, it was noted, was anxious to be truthful with the investigator as he did not want to hurt his chances for an early parole. Gilbert, it was learned, wrote a letter to Senator Robert Kennedy on March 1, 1967, from San Quentin Prison. In that letter he stated that he was a former member of the Minutemen Organization and had information connecting Lee Harvey Oswald to the Minutemen. This information, Gilbert wrote, was acquired while he was in the Minutemen Organization. He told this investigator that while he was in Canada avoiding prosecution for the possession of dynamite, he heard Dennis Mower make a statement that Oswald had been a Minuteman. Gilbert did not have first hand knowledge as he had indicated in the letter to Senator Kennedy.

Numerous pictures were shown to Gilbert which included persons he definitely knew. Wayne's picture plus other unrelated photographs were shown to him. Gilbert identified all the photos that the investigator knew that Gilbert was associated with. However, he failed to identify the picture of Michael Wayne. He emphatically denied having ever met Wayne but added that he may have received it from one of many people he met at a gun show in Yuma, Arizona.

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Gilbert also related that Dennis Mower had told him that Edgar Eugene Bradley had been involved in the murder of Dallas Roquemore, whose death had been listed as a suicide.

An investigation into this allegation revealed that Roquemore, an acquaintance of Edgar Eugene Bradley was shot and killed accidentally by Frank A. Austin, in Weaverville, California on January 4, 1964. An investigation by the Weaverville Sheriff's Office and a polygraph examination proved that the shooting was indeed accidental. Edgar Eugene Bradley was in Southern California at the time of the shooting.

Michael Wayne was reinterviewed on April 1, 1969, to determine his knowledge of the card found at Gilbert's residence and of Gilbert's card found in his possession on the night of June 5, 1968. Wayne was given a polygraph examination by Lt. E. Hernandez in which he was asked about the business card and about his running from the scene of the shooting at the Ambassador Hotel. Lt. Hernandez stated that in his expert opinion, Wayne was being truthful when he replied that he did not know Gilbert nor had he ever given a business card to Gilbert. Wayne denied ever having had a business card bearing his name. Wayne could not recall how he obtained Gilbert's card nor who had given it to him. The polygraph examination again indicated he was truthful. He was also truthful when he replied that he had never belonged to the Minutemen Society nor was he associated with them.

All the officers mentioned in connection with David Kassab have since retired with the exception of Rickards and Netzley. On January 6, 1965, McCowan, a ten year veteran for the Los Angeles Police Department, resigned in lieu of disciplinary action when he was arrested for theft and tampering with the United States mail.

In this particular case, McCowan, through false pretenses retrieved a package containing a diamond ring from the post-office which he and Jean Ortiz had mailed earlier that day.

Miss Ortiz, on learning that the package had not arrived at its intended destination immediately notified the postal authorities. The postal investigators quickly determined that Michael McCowan, had returned to the post-office and had retrieved the package on the pretext that it was evidence.

On January 24, 1966, McCowan was found guilty of theft of U.S. Mail under Title 18, Section 1708, U.S. Code. This was the second of two trials. The first trial ended in a hung jury. The jury was eleven to one for acquittal. On January 29, 1968, after an appeal, the sentence of five years was reduced to three years probation. It was during McCowan's second trial that he was represented by Attorney Russell Parsons.

Prior to his resignation from the Los Angeles Police Department, McCowan had been attending Law school at Southwest School of Law, in Los Angeles. It was at this school where he first met Ron Allen, the owner of a private investigating firm.

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After his resignation from the Police Department, Ron Allen offered McCowan employment as an investigator for the Allen Firm. Although McCowan was denied an investigators license by the State, he continued to work for the Allen Firm as an employee which did not require a license.

McCowan was asked to be the defense investigator by Parsons after the latter was retained as one of the defense attorneys. McCowan explained that his expenses for the investigating came from a fund which was part of \$17,000 that Robert Kaiser had gotten as a retainer for writing a book about Sirhan. According to McCowan, Cooper put up several thousand dollars to help with the expenses. Other money came from Life Magazine for an article which appeared shortly after the trial began. Again, according to McCowan, after Kaiser writes his book, Kaiser will receive one-third of the royalties; a third will go to the Sirhan family and the remainder to the attorneys. Of the latter two-thirds expenses will be taken out before dividing up the money. The three attorneys, Russell Parsons, Grant Cooper and Emile Zola Berman, according to McCowan, each signed a contract with Kaiser agreeing not write a book. McCowan, however, refused to sign that contract.

On July 3, 1968, Jacquelyn Caporizzo notified the detectives at the Van Nuys Station that she was in possession of numerous guns which belonged to Michael McCowan. She related that McCowan had given her the guns approximately six months prior to keep in her home for safekeeping. He told her that he had confiscated them

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from Jean Ortiz who had been involved in a burglary with her husband and that the guns were possibly stolen. Los Angeles Police Detectives took four rifles, two shotguns, 8 pistols, and one automatic .25 caliber pistol into custody. These items were checked through gun records locally and through C.I.I. where it was determined that there was no crime report outstanding on these weapons. Investigation into the true owners of these weapons is still in progress.

An intensive financial background check of McCowan's bank accounts have failed to disclose any unusual large deposits or withdrawals prior to and after the assassination of Senator Robert Kennedy.

On May 17, 1968, McCowan filed for a divorce from his wife Catherine Leona McCowan. She crossfiled and obtained custody of two minor children. In the divorce suit, neither showed the other in possession of a large sum of money. McCowan's wife, Catherine, had \$3,000.00 in her possession according to the divorce suit. McCowan's assets were almost nil at that time.

Several weeks prior to the close of the Sirhan trial, McCowan had a conversation with Sirhan in the County Jail. McCowan related to the investigators that Sirhan indicated that if he were found guilty of first degree murder, he would let it be known that President Johnson put him up to the shooting of the Senator. When McCowan told Sirhan that this would be a "Stupid sounding story," and how easy it would be to check this out, and how ridiculous Sirhan would look after this allegation was

cleared up, Sirhan changed his story. Sirhan then stated that he would then involve "Hoffa."

McCowan alleges to have Sirhan's confidence and intends to write a book on his portion of the investigation.

Officer Harold Latham, now retired was a personal friend of David Kassab. On September 2, 1968, it was discovered that Latham and Kassab had joint bank accounts at the California Bank in Conoga Park. David Kassab and Latham have known each other since 1955. They became close friends after Kassab sold a house for Latham.

Due to a large court judgement levied against Kassab in a case involving grand theft, he could not hold property in his own name without a lien being placed on it. In May, 1962, Latham purchased property for Kassab in his name. Both Latham and Kassab's wives developed a close friendship.

In 1963, Marilyn Meyer, an owner of an apartment house, was in the process of looking for a prospective buyer when she was introduced to David Kassab at the California State Escrow Company by an escrow clerk, Joan Whitehouse. After several meetings and dates with Miss Meyer, David Kassab convinced her that she should sell her apartment houses and reinvest her money in individual homes. He convinced her that although she sold the apartment house to a police officer, the original title would be reverted to her after obtaining enough money from the resale of the individual houses.

Braden was released from McNeil Island on February 13, 1959. He arrived in Los Angeles on the 14th and reported to the Parole Office.

While in prison he corresponded with ANTHONY SMALLDONE (mafia member) regarding oil well deals.

The following dates and notations are excerpts from the Federal Parole office package on Braden.

- 9-23-59 Pereira has an office in the same building as Morgan Brown Oil Company, Braden's employer.
- 10-28-59 Braden admitted to the P.O. that he had a girlfriend Mildred Bollman, a wealthy widow.
- 4-5-61 Approved to travel to Tampa, Florida with his new wife, Mildred.
- 8-2-61 Told his P.O. that he had oil well explorations in Matagorda Co., Texas with his partner, Pereira and his wife Mildred. He requested permission to visit this well site.
- 8-10-61 Requested permission to travel to LaFayette, La. He was to leave Los Angeles on 8-14-61 and return on 8-21-61.
- 9-6-61 He told the P.O. that his wife Mildred had put up the capital for an oil well drilling venture.
- 4-11-62 Informed P.O. he was leaving for Houston, for LaFayette L.A. and on his return to Dallas.
- 4-23-62 Reported to P.O. that he had returned from Houston, Texas.
- 6-4-62 Requested to travel to MCHENRY, ILLINOIS with his wife Mildred to visit their farm.
 Note: This is a known major gangster hangout.
- 1-2-63 Braden in Hawaii-prior approval from P.O.
- 1-4-63 Departed from Hawaii
- 1-17-63 Returned from Houston, Texas.

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Left L.A. for Dallas, Texas, was to remain there until November 21, 1963 then continue to Houston, Texas. Was to remain there until November 26, 1963 before continuing to OPELOUSAS, L.A. Upon arriving in Dallas on the 20th, reported to P.O.

NOTE: He reported to the Houston P.O. office on the 24th but did not mention his being picked up by the Sheriff's after the shooting of the President.

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Jim Braden
Checking Account #61-441
City National Bank
8420 Wilshire Blvd.
Beverly Hills, California

On March 11, 1963 Jim Braden opened an account with City National Bank with a deposit of two cashier's checks for \$11,500.00. One drawn on the City National Bank for \$8,000.00 and another drawn on the Crocker Citizen's National Bank for \$3,500.00.

On March 28, 1963, Braden made a checking withdrawal of \$10,000.00. This was found to be three cashier's checks all made payable to Jim Braden for amounts of \$5,000.00, \$3,000.00 and \$2,000.00.

Cashier's check #217833 for \$5,000.00 was endorsed by Jim Braden and cashed by the City National Bank, Palm Spring Branch on April 18, 1963. Cashier's check #217834 for \$3,000.00 was deposited by Jim Braden on May 8, 1963 at the City National Bank, Beverly Hills Branch.

Cashier's check #217835 for \$2,000.00 was endorsed by Jim Braden and deposited by the Thunderbird Country Club of Palm Springs, California, at the Bank of America, Palm Springs Branch, on April 8, 1963.

A further examination of misc. checks of Jim Braden revealed:
On November 5, 1963 wrote a check for cash for \$200.00; November 19, 1963 wrote check for \$146.61 to General Telephone Company; November 20, 1963 check for \$200.00 for cash-expenses which was cashed by the Courtwright Corporation, Beverly Wilshire Hotel;

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FILE # _____

INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: _____ DATE/TIME May 6, 1969

Tape #30822

SEX _____ RACE _____ HAIR _____ EYES _____ HT _____ WT _____ DOB _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO,WHAT,WHEN,WHERE,WHY & HOW)

TAPE SYNOPSIS OF TAPE #30822 OF INTERVIEW OF ABOVE SUBJECT BY DEPUTY CHIEF R. HOUGHTON IN ROOM #311.

This was the 1st interview with _____ who alledged that Michael McCowan was connected with some Arabs in the valley. He hinted that McCowan was involved in some sort of conspiracy with these Arabs and Sirhan. These Arabs, according to _____, were connected with a Dr. Stanley Dubrin who was tied in with Joe M. Arnoff who knew Councilman Tom Shepard. Shepard was an associate of Gerald Chase an accountant at 280 Beverly Drive. Also at this location is a person known as Jim Braden who was in Dallas, Texas in a building near the location where the President was shot.

Note: For additional information of other allegations by _____, see the Kassab investigation folder, in the _____ section.

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INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:

Sgt. M. F. Gutierrez 7060

APPROVED BY:

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INTERVIEW

PERSON INTERVIEWED: _____ DATE/TIME May 6, 1969

Tape #30836

SEX _____ RACE _____ HAIR _____ EYES _____ HT _____ WT _____ DOB _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

TAPE SYNOPSIS OF TAPE #30836 OF INTERVIEW OF ABOVE SUBJECT BY DEPUTY CHIEF R. HOUGHTON IN ROOM #311.

1. _____ reiterated Jim Braden's connection with Gerald Chase. He also elaborated on Braden's background.
2. _____ stated that Dr. Dubrin was actually one of the Kassabs.
3. He alledged that Joe Arnoff and possibly Jim Braden are connected with the Beverly Ridge Estates.
4. He also alledged that _____ has taped his telephone.

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INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:
Sgt. N. F. Gutierrez 7060

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