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OFFICE Houston, Texas

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ORIGIN	OFFICE	FILE NO.
TYPE OF CASE	STATUS	TITLE OR CAPTION
Protective research	Continued	Assassination of President Kennedy
INVESTIGATION MADE AT	PERIOD COVERED	Lee Harvey Oswald
Houston, Texas	12/5-12/63	Pixie Lynn - to be interviewed
INVESTIGATION MADE BY		
SAIC Lane Bertram		
DETAILS		
<u>SYNOPSIS</u>		
Helen Kay Smith, @ Pixie Lynn, interviewed on December 6 and affidavit obtained.		
<u>DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION</u>		
Reference is made to M/R dated 12/1/63 by the writer stating that Helen Kay Smith, @ Pixie Lynn, would be interviewed on December 6, upon her return to Houston.		
On December 5, information was received from Officer J. D. Rollins, Intelligence Division, Houston Police Department, that Col. Harry Cornwall and Lt. Jack Revill, Dallas Police Department, had arrived in Houston for interview with Helen Kay Smith.		
On December 6, with Lt. Jack Revill, Dallas PD, interviewed Helen Kay Smith at the residence of William McCardell, her agent, at 1825 Rosedale St., Houston. Smith appeared to be upset by the interview as she recognized Lt. Jack Revill as having been active in the narcotics investigation of Juanita Dell Phillips, better known as Candy Bar, in Dallas two or three years ago, at which time Phillips was sentenced to 10 years. Smith had testified on behalf of Phillips in that trial.		
She briefly admitted that she knew Jack Ruby, but advised that she had not been in Dallas for some time and that she had not seen Ruby since the Christmas holidays in 1961. She stated the last time she had been in Dallas was July, 1963 when she visited her mother there. She flatly denied ever having attended any party at which Jack Ruby or Lee Harvey Oswald had attended. She agreed to come to the office later and make a written statement to that effect.		
She advised that Deputy Sheriff L. E. Shipley had contacted her by telephone and was coming by to interview her on the same subject.		
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Chief Deputy Sheriff Lloye J. Frazier, Houston, advised that Captain Fritz of the Dallas PD had telephonically requested that he have Helen Kay Smith interviewed and for that reason Shipley had been asked to interview her.

Mr. Dwayne Arthur, Manager, Midnight Lounge, 401 Westheimer St., was contacted and through a waitress, Cora Chain, ascertained that Binkendorfer was presently in Methodist Hospital, Room 401, as a result of some "back trouble".

With Lt. Jack Revill, Intelligence Division, Dallas Police Department, and J. D. Rollins, Intelligence Division, Houston Police Department, interviewed Binkendorfer at Methodist Hospital. The interview was restricted because of another patient in the same room.

Binkendorfer in effect stated that on Friday, November 22, while employed at the Midnight Lounge, 401 Westheimer St., as a bartender, he had engaged in limited conversation with stripper Pixie Lynn, at which time she had mentioned the name Jack Ruby and stated that she had attended a party in Dallas recently where both Jack Ruby and Lee Harvey Oswald were present. Binkendorfer stated this statement was made to him just before Pixie Lynn was to start her act at 8 o'clock. He stated that she appeared to be genuinely disturbed by the reported assassination of President Kennedy. He produced a card from his pocket, which bore the name of Barbara L. Welz, Attorney-at-Law, 2001 McKinney Avenue, Suite 229, Dallas 1, Texas, telephone HI 1-1947. He stated that Miss Welz "has a wooden leg" and that Pixie Lynn mentioned that Miss Welz was present at the alleged party at the same time Oswald and Ruby were there. He was asked how he came in possession of her card and stated that he had obtained it from a friend of Miss Welz.

Binkendorfer insisted his story was true and offered to make an affidavit to that effect and take a lie detector test if desired. It is noted that the identity of the writer was not made known to him as he was personally acquainted with Officers Revill and Rollins.

He has furnished information to other agencies in the past, some of which has been reliable, while some of the other information furnished could never be verified.

At 1:15 received a telephone call from Attorney William G. Smith, who advised that he was representing Helen Kay Smith in connection with the current investigation. He stated that his client was extremely upset and worried about the affidavit she had been requested to give and that he had requested her to cooperate with the authorities which she agreed to do, but requested that Attorney Smith be present. He requested that the interview be held in his office for his convenience and that of his client.

At the office of Attorney William G. Smith, 10th floor, Houston Federal Savings & Loan Building, interviewed Helen Kay Smith in the presence of her attorney, Lt. Jack Revill, Criminal Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Dept., and Officer J. D. Rollins, Intelligence Division, Houston Police Department.

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She signed a two page affidavit (typed by Secret Service stenographer) emphatically denying she had ever been at a party with Jack Ruby and/or Lee Harvey Oswald. She denied that she had ever seen Oswald to her knowledge, but admitted that she did know Jack Ruby, having seen him two or three times at the Carosel Club in Dallas. She stated the last time she saw him was in 1961 during the Christmas holidays at the Carosel Club. She stated that she has not been in Dallas since she visited her mother there during the latter part of June or first of July, 1963. She denied knowing Attorney Barbara L. Welz of Dallas and stated that she had never heard of her.

She stated that on November 22, she did entertain at the Midnight Lounge, 401 Westheimer St., in Houston, and named Binkendorfer as being present as a bartender at the time. She mentioned the other employees who were there, but emphatically denied discussing Jack Ruby at this time but stated there was some conversation regarding the President's assassination as all the employees were attempting to get the manager, Dwayne Arthur, to close the place. When he refused to close the place, she went ahead with her show so she could get paid for the performance.

On December 7, Intelligence Officer D. D. Collins, Houston PD, reinterviewed Travis Binkendorfer at Methodist Hospital at Methodist hospital and advised him that the Secret Service desired to obtain a statement from him regarding the information he had furnished the day before, and had previously reported to the Dallas PD. He indicated that he would make the statement and would affirm that it was true and correct. Officer Collins warned him that it was a violation of a Federal Statute to make a false statement to an agency of the Federal Government.

Later on December 7, the writer received a phone call from Binkendorfer, at which time he indicated that he was willing to cooperate with this Service, but preferred that it be handled through the Texas Rangers rather than with the Dallas PD. He stated that he had called Texas Ranger Charlie Moore, Dallas, who was a friend and had discussed the matter with him.

On December 11, Travis Binkendorfer called and advised that he expected to be in the hospital a few more days and would still cooperate with this Service, but stated that at the time he was interviewed on December 6, he was not sure what information he had furnished as he was under some form of sedation. He agreed to contact the office as soon as he is released from the hospital.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

This case remains open for discussion with the United States Attorney as to prosecution of Binkendorfer, interview with Binkendorfer if warranted.

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JOSEPH E. FIELD,  
ALLEGED ASSOCIATE OF  
JACK RUBY, LEE HARVEY  
OSWALD AND OTHER OSWALD  
RELATIVES BEING IN A BAR  
IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

The Dallas Office furnished Los Angeles a copy of a letter from JOSEPH E. FIELD, 2006 West 79th Street, Los Angeles, California. This letter indicated that about April 22 - 23, 1963, FIELD went to a local beer bar in Los Angeles after work and subsequently JACK RUBY, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, Mrs. LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and BOB OSWALD, brother of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, were at that bar drinking beer and shooting pool.

The Los Angeles Indices checked on December 9, 1963, reflect that FIELD was a complainant on October 19, 1963, and furnishing information regarding a Mrs. ELIZABETH SIMMONS, a missing person. This complaint was two pages of typewritten information with many investigation subjects furnished by FIELD.

Inquiry at the Los Angeles Police Department on December 9, 1963, concerning FIELD and of his complaint concerning Mrs. SIMMONS ascertained that FIELD "had driven them nuts," meaning the Los Angeles Police Department, with many calls and complaints. The Los Angeles Police Department subsequently afforded FIELD a Polygraph examination and came to the conclusion that FIELD was psychotic.