

Date December 13, 1963

JIM HODGE, assistant registrar, Veterans Administration Hospital, Gulfport, Mississippi, advised that THORNTON CAINE is presently a patient at the Veterans Administration Hospital, having been admitted there on November 19, 1963. He has previously been a patient there and in the past has normally been in the psychiatric ward, however, at the present he is in the medical ward due to a stomach condition. He explained there are pay telephones in the medical ward but none in the psychiatric ward. When his stomach trouble is cured, he will be returned to the psychiatric ward.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents GLENN E. SILVEY and DAVID W. MC CLUGAGE on December 18, 1963, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma:

DONALD ALVIN HUTCHINSON, a Negro male, age twenty-three, FBI No. 629 040 E, was arrested as a vagrant and drunk by the Oklahoma City Police Department the night of December 17, 1963. He advised arresting officers JACK RUBY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD had assassinated the President, that two rifles were used, and he had been paid \$3,000 by OSWALD to keep quiet.

Upon being interviewed by Bureau Agents on December 18, 1963, HUTCHINSON first claimed he had met OSWALD in Chicago during April of 1963 and had associated with him on a daily basis for a period of three weeks. (From news accounts OSWALD was not in Chicago at that time.) He claimed he later met OSWALD in Dallas, at which time OSWALD took him to JACK RUBY's house where they exhibited two rifles to him and OSWALD later offered him \$3,000 not to mention having seen the rifles. He advised he previously knew JACK RUBY from employment at RUBY's club as a bus boy thirteen years ago. (At this time HUTCHINSON was only ten years of age.)

Throughout the interview HUTCHINSON altered his story four times and subsequently admitted the story was not true. HUTCHINSON was unable to furnish details of his alleged association with RUBY and OSWALD and he was unable to provide specifics, did not know addresses of either OSWALD or RUBY, and could identify no one who could verify his acquaintance with either RUBY or OSWALD. HUTCHINSON claimed he had consumed one fifth of whiskey the night of his arrest.

Detective K. R. LILES who interviewed HUTCHINSON in the early morning of December 18, 1963, advised he felt HUTCHINSON is a psycho. He stated HUTCHINSON claimed numerous arrests for robbery, manslaughter, narcotics, etc., while arrest record in Police Department reflects but two arrests on minor charges.

Police Department Records reflect HUTCHINSON was arrested and charged with two traffic violations September 11, 1963; fined \$30. In contrast to claims, Police Department has

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FBI identification record, FBI No. 629 040 E, which does not bear out claims but reflects but one other arrest. This arrest was in Dallas, Texas, Dallas Sheriff's Office No. 77616, on December 15, 1960, charge C. O. C. HUTCHINSON's mother, MARTHA HUTCHINSON, allegedly resides at 2700 South Boulevard, Dallas, Texas.

During interview HUTCHINSON admitted reading news articles concerning RUBY and OSWALD and stated knowledge of both came from this source.

MARTHA HUTCHINSON, 2700 South Boulevard, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed at Hutchinson Brothers Grill, 5205 Bexar, Dallas. She was advised she did not have to make a statement; that any statement she made could be used against her in a court of law, and that she had the right to consult an attorney. Mrs. HUTCHINSON furnished the following information about her son, DONALD ALVIN HUTCHINSON,

She stated that he has been mentally ill two-thirds of his life. He has been at both Parkland Hospital and Alston Hospital for treatment. He has attempted to hang himself and kill his brother.

He was in Chicago, Illinois, in the summer of 1963, but not in April, 1963. She was sure that he did not know JACK RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and was positive that he never received \$3,000 from OSWALD to keep quiet as he has never seen that much money. She stated that she has had to supply him with gasoline, money and carfare home from various points. He has had only two jobs in his life and he never worked for JACK RUBY when he was ten years old.

She stated that when DONALD drinks, whatever is on his mind at that time completely dominates his thoughts and when he sobers up he will have no idea or any memory of any statements that he made.

Mrs. HUTCHINSON stated she did not know JACK RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and knew of no connection between RUBY and OSWALD.

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JAMES H. KITCHING, Identification Bureau, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, Dallas, Texas, advised SA KENNETH P. HUGHES that Sheriff's Office File #77616 reflected the following arrest record for DONALD ALVIN HUTCHINSON, Negro, male, 5'10", 147 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, date of birth 9/12/41:

Arrested 9/26/56 and held for Juvenile authorities, transferred from the Juvenile Home to the incorrigible for observation, released to Probation Officer on 10/5/56.

Arrested March, 1960, disturbing the peace, paid a fine.

Arrested 12/15/60, cont/ct #60-1033, released Pur. Ct. 12/20/60.

Dr. SAMUEL LEWIS SCOTHORN, Osteopathic Physician, 3212 Beverly Drive, Dallas, Texas, who sent a note to VERNON N. RIEGEL, Columbus, Ohio, that a Mesquite woman policeman in Dallas told him December 4, 1963, that RUBY and OSWALD were good friends and she had seen them together many times, advised as follows:

On approximately December 4, 1963, he was shopping in the B. E. Thompson Grocery Store, Mesquite, Texas, and met J. JERRELDEN LITTLE, whom he has known since she was a young girl. LITTLE said she was employed as matron in the Dallas Police Department. While they were talking the subject of the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD by JACK RUBY came up. He told LITTLE he wanted to ask her one question and that was had OSWALD and RUBY known each other? Dr. SCOTHORN said LITTLE told him that RUBY and OSWALD were good friends and she had seen them together many times. No further details were furnished by LITTLE. LITTLE also said she was not present when RUBY shot OSWALD November 24, 1963. There was no one else present at the time of their conversation.

Dr. SCOTHORN said he did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY and no other information concerning the shooting of OSWALD or any relationship between RUBY and OSWALD was known to him.

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