

1 up to Santa Clara and got an attorney there. He paid it off
2 and immediately they dropped charges, the people, the \$4,000--
3 I paid the \$4,000. They immediately dropped the charges. He
4 appeared--my attorney appeared before a judge there and plead
5 nolo contendere which they had to do or else I'd have to come
6 back. Now, I told my employers of Time Magazine about this,
7 and they were willing to pay my court trial, go back and do
8 it. So their attorneys, Kravitz, Wayne and Moore, in New York
9 (*) Time put up a lot of money for this to pay my way because
10 he believed my story, and it just so happens that it was nolo
11 contendere, and this was in 1966 it finally ended. But in
12 '67, one year later, I finally petitioned the court and they
13 had an order clearing record.

14 Q Why did you leave Time then?

15 A I left Time--it was--I was with Time for three
16 years. The reason I left Time was I was on the road 11 months
17 out of the year. I have three kids. I have one kid that has
18 asthma. New York is rough on asthma. I was offered the job
19 as president of a company out in the desert, Video Communi-
20 cations, at \$40,000 a year plus a percentage of the company,
21 25 percent, in the cable television business. We went out
22 there in the desert, and Video Communications has some, oh,
23 five thousand subscribers out in Desert Hot Springs and Paris.
24 I then--one year after that, January of 196--not January--in
25 October of '67, it was less than a year, I sold out to my
26 three partners because they really didn't want to expand.

1 They are three retired guys. Made some money in it, then I
2 started producing this show which was in December.

3 Q BY SGT. STRONG: Let me ask you a question here.
4 You know Attorney George Davis?

5 A I have heard of the name. He's a big attorney
6 from San Francisco.

7 SGT. SANDLIN: Right.

8 A Yeah, he was with Ruby in some way. Yeah, he
9 had some connection.

10 Q BY SGT. STRONG: Have you ever personally met him?

11 A No.

12 Q He was on your show, the Tempo show, here a few
13 days ago?

14 A Well, I don't buy this of now.

15 Q Pardon?

16 A I'm not there any more.

17 Q You're not attached with the show any more?

18 A No, I left there.

19 Q Well, I thought you might have something still--

20 A --I know the associate producer. He keeps me
21 filled in with a lot of stuff that comes up.

22 Q Has he mentioned anything about this conversation,
23 this telephonic conversation that he had with George Davis
24 in San Francisco?

25 A (*)

26 Q BY SGT. SANDLIN: Do you think that?

1 A Anyways that's the arrest thing, and really it--
2 it cost me a lot of money. It cost--my dad had a heart
3 attack over it, ill feeling thinking that I was a criminal,
4 my mother-in-law, you know. The FBI arrests you, what do
5 you do? But it's--I have an order clearing record and all
6 that.

7 Q BY SGT. STRONG: That's the only arrest you have
8 ever had then?

9 A Yes, correct.

10 Q BY SGT. SANDLIN: Do you think that Garrison is
11 paid by the Kennedy family (*) from the Kennedy family?

12 A There have been statements that he is being paid
13 by the Kennedy family by people not connected with them. I
14 don't know. I know this, that Kennedy--I mean Garrison had
15 a man working for him that got into this Garrison's vault,
16 took a lot of papers out and left. A highly trusted guy.
17 Now, they said Garrison said that this guy worked for the
18 Kennedy family.

19 Q You said something prior that Garrison had a
20 hundred men backing him down there on this.

21 A Yeah, a hundred businessmen or some figure like
22 that put up so much money. But when Clay Shaw's defense asked
23 to petition the court, who were these people--a lot of them
24 dropped out. They didn't want their names to be known, so
25 Garrison did the same thing, who's paying Clay Shaw's defense,
26 and some little attorney said, "Well, I'm handling it free of

1 charge just like this guy about Earl Ray says, "Well, we
2 don't need any money," but he's made three trips to London.

3 Q Now, this Ronald Buck president of The Factory?

4 A Yeah, he's an attorney, Ronald Buck.

5 Q He is an attorney but he is president of The
6 Factory?

7 A Yeah.

8 Q What do you want to call it a nightclub?

9 A It's a discotheque.

10 Q Okay, now, you saw all this evidence that you
11 are speaking of, pictures, in his office?

12 A Well, I saw the pictures and a lot of the evidence
13 in his office, but later on I saw more of it, but he saw a
14 substantial amount for him to say, "I'll call Pierre Salinger
15 right now and tell him about it."

16 Q Who brought this evidence to Ronald Buck's office?

17 A And investigator for Garrison who I had Garrison
18 send somebody because I didn't believe the story, and finally
19 he brought his briefcase in.

20 Q Do you think Mr. Buck has any of that material in
21 his office now?

22 A No, because the investigator made sure that he
23 took everything with him.

24 Q How many times did you go to Ronald Buck's office
25 and see this material?

26 A Just once. I had this man meet me at Ronald Buck's

1 office. The reason--

2 Q --do you remember what time that was?

3 A It was at night, around 6:30 or 7 o'clock.

4 Q And what day--I mean was it the spring or summer?

5 A Yeah, the spring. It was near the Indiana
6 campaign. About the same time that they asked me to do this.
7 Now, the reason I used--not used, but I asked Ronald Buck is
8 Ronnie Buck is a close personal friend of Peter Lawford who
9 is the brother-in-law of John Kennedy who is still pretty
10 good--in with the family. Pierre Salinger and he knew Robert
11 Kennedy, and I thought he being an attorney and a very
12 substantial-type guy, and if he believed the story as I heard
13 it, then there might be something to it.

14 Q BY SGT. STRONG: How old is this Ronald Buck
15 would you say?

16 A Thirty-eight years old.

17 Q BY SGT. SANDLIN: How many hours were you in
18 Ronald Buck's office that evening when you looked at this
19 stuff?

20 A Two to two and a half (*) maybe three.

21 Q Now, you have described that Kennedy's reaction
22 to Garrison's offer to lay this all out on the table for him
23 was refused? By Kennedy through--

24 A Well, Mankiewicz refused it. Whether Kennedy
25 knew, I don't know, but the answer was no.

26 Q Uh huh. And Jack Ruby, was there evidence

1 presented there at that time that this Jack Ruby--

2 A --yeah.

3 Q --was really part of the committee or--

4 A --no, not the committee.

5 Q Or the shooters?

6 A No.

7 Q BY SGT. STRONG: What nettle (sic) would he be
8 put in the bottom (*)

9 A They put him in an area where they knew--first of
10 all he was a pimp. I mean he worked for the Dallas police--
11 because all the Dallas policemen knew him, but it was purely
12 a money deal. When he was arrested, they found that some
13 many thousand dollars in his trunk, and then they went to his
14 house and found thousands and thousands of dollars in his
15 bedroom. Now he was hurting for money, yet he had like
16 \$18,000 in cash. The story was because he hated Oswald and
17 all this stuff--Garrison says that's not true. He was paid
18 to do it. He had--walked right in there. In fact, I mean
19 everybody seen him, and he just seemed to walk right in.

20 Q BY SGT. HANLIN: Has Garrison ever talked to
21 you personally, or do you know if he has ever contacted Mrs.
22 Oswald in person?

23 A I don't know.

24 Q You don't know?

25 A He may have.

26 Q You don't know this of your own knowledge?

1 A It's a good question. I'll ask him really,
2 because he's going to be here next week, and I'll talk to
3 him. I--I--assume he probably has.

4 Q It would be interesting to see what she has
5 divulged to him, if anything, if she's aware of her husband's
6 alleged activities with the C.I.A.

7 A I think.

8 Q And FBI and all that?

9 A Well, there was a story of the day of the
10 shooting, right after the shooting, she was away from Dallas
11 with her mother in a car--or somebody, mother-in-law, or
12 somebody, and the FBI agent wouldn't tell her--it was when
13 he was killed, Oswald killed, that the FBI agent would not
14 tell her that he was killed although he heard it over his
15 radio, FBI radio, and he took her to some--something, Flagg,
16 Texas, and they kept her in a room there and wouldn't let
17 her go back to the hospital where Oswald was being held. And
18 I remember this story being related to me by a guy that
19 works for Garrison, so apparently they did have some communi-
20 cation with Maria Oswald.

21 Q Do you have any opinion at all how much Garrison
22 has spent on this?

23 A I'd say well over a million dollars. He'd have
24 to. I saw one guy that was out here that was an investigator
25 that was the sharpest guy I've ever seen. And then I heard
26 he was a former C.I.A. agent and left the country. He was

1 working in L.A. and I used to see him up on Sunset Strip.
2 He used to be at the Hamburger Hamlet up on Sunset, and I
3 met him there once and he told me he was a former C.I.A.
4 agent, and he was a former pilot of a B-29, and he flew for
5 C.I.A. in the Congo, and he was--he showed me--I believed
6 him because he said, "It's just getting too hot here; I got
7 to leave; I've been working for Garrison." But apparently
8 Garrison has paid people then when it got too hot, he left.
9 This guy has disappeared completely, so I know he took off.

10 Q Now, you spoke of Garrison being scared of the
11 fact that he would not be able to ever get this whole thing
12 into court. In talking to him on this vein, has he told you
13 this personally?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Has he ever mentioned any names of people, or
16 what did he call it?

17 A Took a shot at him?

18 Q No, who would try to keep him from presenting
19 this in court.

20 A Well, this committee.

21 Q This committee.

22 Q BY SGT. STRONG: Okay, that's the next question
23 I want to get into. Let's go through the committee. You say
24 you know the names of high-up--let's go to the top.

25 A Now this I told you that he can't prove this,
26 or he can, but--okay, there was a General Walker.

1 Q General Walker?

2 A Walker that Kennedy threw out of the Army that
3 Lee Harvey Oswald was supposed to have taken pot shots at.
4 He was in great--he had--well, let's put it this way. There
5 are--there is a right wing and there is a left wing. There's--
6 there are a lot of people in this government that have
7 penetrated certain areas of the government that have a lot
8 of influence. General Walker, being a general, knew certain
9 people that could connect him to other people in the military
10 and the C.I.A. that had been former military that had been in
11 the C.I.A. He is supposedly involved. A great right wing
12 guy. In fact, he has radio shows, is H. L. Hunt. H. L. Hunt
13 would have been hurt in many ways if the oil depletion
14 allowance had gone through. He violently hated Catholics.
15 Now this is all supposition in the mind--in the mind, but I
16 know this is--this is the Garrison thing. I mean some of
17 these names have been told to me by Garrison's people.
18 Garrison himself would never tell me these things.

19 Q Now, have these two names been told to you by
20 Garrison people?

21 A Yes.

22 Q These are not opinions you have?

23 A No, these are people that were mentioned.

24 Q BY SGT. SANDLIN: Ever mention a man by the name
25 of Lewis?

26 A I know he was a perjurer or something. No.

1 Q Now, they have never mentioned his name?

2 A No, they have--they said there are ten people on
3 that committee of which the next name would be Jim Wells.

4 Q BY SGT. STRONG: Well, how does Jim Wells--

5 A Well, Jim Wells--there is a county named after
6 him in Texas, Jim Wells County, a rich oil guy, and he is
7 the guy that has put up a lot of money for Lyndon Johnson,
8 and it was this Jim Wells County that a disputed election of
9 Lyndon Johnson to become a Congressman where they had votes
10 (*) He's been a long-time friend of Lyndon Johnson, and he's
11 very wealthy. The name Brown and Root, (phonetic) is a large
12 industrial military complex. They build 80 percent of all
13 the bases in Vietnam and all over the world. Brown is dead
14 or Root is dead, one of the two, but very close to Lyndon
15 Johnson, tied up in oil ventures and joint ventures with these
16 people. Those four names, or five names, are basically the
17 only ones. There are some others, but right now I just
18 don't remember.

19 Q Okay, that is the top level, now let's go down
20 the middle level, the money, the bookkeepers, now who--

21 A --well, I assume Edgar Eugene Bradley is the
22 bookkeeper because he had been, or a finder,

23 Q Okay, anyone else that you put in this level?

24 A There are some other people I just--I'll give
25 you my file when I get home. I'll call you and tell you the
26 names because I've got a file on them. I got tapes.

1 Q How many people (*)

2 A I don't know. I don't know. There is 90 some
3 people in the whole thing, so I'd say ten at the top and
4 others at the bottom are not even connected or don't even
5 know.

6 Q (*)

7 A They just receive payoffs and they were told to
8 look the other way, or like Tippett, Officer Tippett, the
9 guy that was shot never wore a uniform in three years. He
10 was an undercover detective and he was in uniform in a police
11 car that day. Now if the president's there, maybe you'd be
12 in uniform. If the president came here, but Dallas is a
13 funny police department.

14 Q BY SGT. SANDLIN: Has the FBI or the Secret
15 Service or any other governmental agency looked at your files
16 or listened to the tapes that you have at all?

17 A No, the only time I've told is this FBI agent
18 who is kind of interested, yet, I don't think he wanted to
19 get involved in it. To be truthful, I really don't think--
20 he said to me, "Look, I'm an American citizen and if I knew
21 this was going--even as an FBI agent, and somebody told me
22 not to investigate this, and I investigated it and found out
23 it to be true, I'd have to say something." Now there are
24 other FBI agents that must have investigated this and found
25 out certain things. Why haven't they come out? We had a
26 little back-to-back bout about it which was very interesting

1 because I'd never talked that far to an FBI agent, but I
2 think his mind was thinking that this could be true, but he
3 left. Now, I don't know if he found reports to this effect
4 or not. I think--I'm sure he did.

5 Q In talking to Garrison or his people, how much
6 have they implicated the National States Rights Party?

7 A Well, the National States Rights Party--

8 Q --no, have they implicated them, I'll ask you
9 that?

10 A Yes, there is this thing, this document, that
11 they, the National States Rights Party, said to stop the
12 Communists, take over America and all this stuff, and the
13 black take over and all this. We must eliminate--

14 Q Do you think there is any tie-up between the
15 National States Rights Party and this committee? (*)

16 A Only on money principles. I think some of the
17 people on the committee through other agencies or otherwise
18 Federal money to the National States Rights Party, let's face
19 it, they do it to the Ku Klux Klan, too. And there are people
20 in the Communist Party that are not in the Communist Party
21 that want to see the Communists do certain things that give
22 money to their group (*).

23 Q Now, I have one other question here that you have
24 been following very closely, we understand this. What is
25 your reaction--what is your opinion of the investigation being
26 conducted by the Los Angeles Police Department and the

1 District Attorney's Office in relation to this case?

2 A I don't know your investigation (*)

3 Q Well, you read the newspapers and you--

4 A --I think it has been kept very quiet, your
5 investigation. I think that's what you have to do with the
6 recent rulings of the Supreme Court. You can't say a damn
7 thing or you're--

8 SGT. STRONG: This right here.

9 A What's that?

10 SGT. STRONG: This is a court order that we wish
11 you to--I don't know whether you have read this court order.
12 This is the court order from Judge Alarcon that states that
13 you--now that we have discussed this--you can't discuss the
14 case because you are bound by this court order just like we
15 are, and later on--

16 A --I mean to the FBI, what if they--

17 SGT. STRONG: No, it goes on. You can read the
18 whole article there. You can read it there and it says--a
19 copy of the order itself, and we're required to do this to
20 everybody we talk to.

21 A I know. I know.

22 SGT. STRONG: For your own edification you should
23 read it there.

24 A Yes, everybody does deputize or--you know ever
25 since Kennedy got shot, I've had a nail-biting thing. I
26 can't stop biting my nails. It's a reaction I went to the

1 doctor about it (*) It's nervousness. But it's interesting.
2 Do I get to keep this?

3 SGT. STRONG: No, this is just a copy that--is
4 this extra?

5 SGT. SANDLIN: This is an extra copy.

6 SGT. STRONG: Extra copy for him to keep?

7 SGT. SANDLIN: Yes, we'll note that we served it
8 on you.

9 A Oh, all right, very good. I want you to know that
10 really everything I told you is basically the truth. I mean
11 it is the truth, and I told you a lot of things because the
12 guy, Garrison, has--I mean he has trusted me because up to a
13 point I have never in any of the programs I've produced, any
14 of the newscasts, I have never said anything wrong about the
15 guy, and I won't say anything wrong about you because I
16 believe that if you have an investigation until you get to
17 court that's when it is--when this trial is over, then you
18 can talk about it.

19 Q BY SGT. SANDLIN: One question along this line
20 which you don't have to answer because it is of a political
21 nature, were you a strong supporter of Robert Kennedy in
22 your own political way?

23 A I'm a Democrat. I would have voted for him, yes.
24 I believed in some of his things. I also believed in some
25 of the things that Rockefeller said. I would have voted for
26 him.

Sgt. STONO: Good. Okay, thank you very much.

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