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Subject: Re: Destruction of Military Intelligence File on Oswald
Do you have any suggestions regarding what more might be done? To: Tim Wray/ARRBcc: Jeremy Gunn/ARRBFrom: Tom Samoluk/ARRBDate: 09/20/96 02:48:00 PMSubject: Re: Destruction of Military Intelligence File on OswaldThe Army did provide documentation to the HSCA, but the Committee found the "routine" destruction to be "extremely troublesome." Perhaps there is nothing more that can be done at this late date, but for what it's worth, the HSCA was clearly not satisfied with what the Army told them.To: Tom Samoluk/ARRBcc: From: Tim Wray/ARRBDate: 09/20/96 02:24:56 PMSubject: Re: Destruction of Military Intelligence File on OswaldNo plans. The Army provided documentation to the HSCA showing when the file was destroyed. It was apparently done because of Congressional instructions in the early 1970's ordering the armed forces to cease and desist from domestic surveillance activities (which is how the file originated) and to destroy all existing files. While visiting IRR, the current Director there (who had no personal knowledge of the Oswald file) affirmed to me, Dave Montague and Dennis Quinn that a wholesale destruction of documents had occurred at that time for that reason. While researchers may regard this as a peculiar happenstance, I don't see that the trail leads anywhere. No one knows for certain who destroyed the record, or whether that individual even was aware of the significance of Oswald's record. (A likely scenario is that a bunch of soldiers fed hundred -- maybe thousands -- of files into an incinerator without ever bothering to look at any of them.) While it's hard to prove a negative (i.e. that Oswald's file wasn't destroyed for some sinister reason), the fact that all other files of a similar nature no longer exist and appear to have been destroyed around the same time lends credibility to the Army's explanation.To: Tom Samoluk/ARRBcc: From: Tim Wray/ARRBDate: 09/20/96 02:24:56 PMSubject: Re: Destruction of Military Intelligence File on OswaldNo plans. The Army provided documentation to the HSCA showing when the file was destroyed. It was apparently done because of Congressional instructions in the early 1970's ordering the armed forces to cease and desist from domestic surveillance activities (which is how the file originated) and to destroy all existing files. While visiting IRR, the current Director there (who had no personal knowledge of the Oswald file) affirmed to me, Dave Montague and Dennis Quinn that a wholesale destruction of documents had occurred at that time for that reason. While researchers may regard this as a peculiar happenstance, I don't see that the trail leads anywhere. No one knows for certain who destroyed the record, or whether that individual even was aware of the significance of Oswald's record. (A likely scenario is that a bunch of soldiers fed hundred -- maybe thousands -- of files into an incinerator without ever bothering to look at any of them.) While it's hard to prove a negative (i.e. that Oswald's file wasn't destroyed for some sinister reason), the fact that all other files of a similar nature no
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