could go to white schools, therefore the negroes took over the white school buildings. Now down here in the South many of our new schools which have been built are the Negro Schools. Children used to enjoy their social life in their schools and could have parties in their homes of their classes. Now since you idiots up there have forced the schools to mix you have taken away lots of the school life for our children.

"A negro I am sure would really like it best to have their schools. On school grounds children will have little fracases. Well when two white boys or girls have some trouble it is not made a big issue, but let a white person and a negro have some trouble and a big stink is made. The white boy generally gets the worst of the trouble. My maid which I had 8 years told me recently that she wished things were back like they were before all this civil rights stuff took over.

"You take Martin Luther King was saying he was for non-violence but he was nothing but a liar, for everywhere he went he caused riots and trouble. He was told to stay out of Mamphis but no he paid no heed and on TV it showed him with a group of people and when he got them all riled up and he could not handle them he jumped in a car and like a coward he got away. Any man who was arrested as many times as he was for lawlesoness also his co-worker Abernathy they should be put in prison for life. King taught more hatred in our country to the negro, instead of him telling them they should be thankful for what we had done for them he put hatred in their minds. Recently saw a graph which stated that over 357 of the negroes lives in W states including California and across the South and up the East Coast. Now if these states the market clothed, give then obs and medical aid they would not have multiplied as they "Down in Florida so many of the people are from the North and very few will hire a maid for they say they do not want a negro in their kitchens, but the Southern women likes to have a maid help them with their housework. My maids used to tell me that certain women in the neighborhood would ask her about sending themmaids, but she told me you know negroes lie and steal and some are so good for nothing that I do not ever sand them any help. You take King's wife is saying that he only left her about \$25,000. and no will. With all the money that has been given him I expect if the truth was known he is a millionaire plus. He made no will for he does not want a will probated and know his worth.

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Justice Brown stated that to his knowledge he has received no similar communication previously and knows no one identifiable with the writer of the letter.

ciate Justice Brennan, advised that approximately May 15, 1968.

or May 16, 1968, a female who represented herself as

a reporter for hewspaper, called Justice Brennan's office and asked "Are there any clues as to where the guns form on Justice Brennan's lawn might have come from?"

When advised by had no information on the incident, stated that she would call back at a later date.

has not recontacted the office.

Seventing Precised, Metropolitan rolice Department, Washington, D.C., advised that he was the officer in charge of an investigation concerning the discovery of a shotgun on the premises of Justice William J. Premises. Jr., 1963.

Browning .20 gauge semi-automatic, bearing Serial Number 9Z27728, was discovered by Mrs. Brennan and at the time of accovery was contained in a black vinyl zipper case bearing what appeared to be an Eastern Airlines baggage ticket, bearing number EA72-04-21. Stated that the following was written on the tag: "Delta, Atlanta." b76

premises resulted in the location of several .20 gauge shotgun shells found in the yard of

In addition, approximately 25 .12 gauge magnum shells had previously been located by Justice Brennan and wrapped in a multi-colored blanket which was found on Justice Brennan's premises.

handled by Justice Brennan and Mr. Sand and had been wiped clean by one of them to prevent the weapon from rusting.

stated that the shotgum, case, shells and blanket were furnished to the Metropolitan Police Department by Justice Brennan and that the items are presently in the custody of the Metropolitan Police Department property clerk at police headquarters, Washington, D.C. 570



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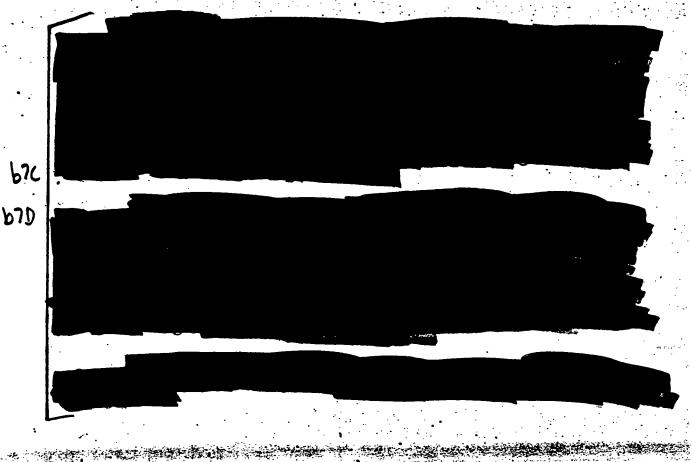
requested that no publicity be given the incident and that the location of the meanon and shalls was treated as a Found Property Case and that only a discreet inquiry was made to police precincts regarding the possibly inquiry by enyone concerning the loss of the meanon.

That to date no inquiry has been received concerning the meanon.

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stated that the case of and that the shotgun will be furnished the Federal Bureau of Investigation Laboratory for examination on June 5, 1968.

On June 5, 1968, the National Crime Information Center advised that their files contained no record of instant shotgum.



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Tampa, Florida June 13, 1968

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THE REAL PROPERTY.

Foundling Gun Worries Pc

WASHINGTON (NANA) A baby blanket bundle was recently found near the doorstep of a Supreme Court justice. Ironically, it contained a shotgun and 46 loaded shells.

Justice William E. Brennan Jr., one of the socalled "liberal" members of the court, and his wife discovered this strange evidence in their front yard in ashionable Georgetown on a Sunday afternoon. The mystery has never been solved.

THE BRENNANS were sufficiently a larmed to cancel their social engagements and call in the police. The only visible clues were two airline baggage tickets which could not be traced.

According to the investigating officer who wrote his report at 4:10 p.m., Mrs. Brennan had casually looked through a front window and spotted the gunnestled in the ground ivy. It was quickly brought into the house, and she called police.

Justice Brennan theorized to police that it was a "hot" gun, perhaps hidden there temporarily. Someone had planned to retrieve it later, possibly under the cover of darkness, according to his speculation.

UP AND down the streets of Georgetown and elsewhere, the social circuit is buzzing over this incident. The talk has been sparked by the soaring crime rate and the red-hot controversy in the Senate over nullifying court decisions in the crime control bill.

Some of those unsympath etic with Brennan's "liberal" views are making wry remarks. One matron who recently ironbarred all her windows

acidly observed that this might bring the growing crime problem closer to home for the justice.

If the justice suspected any personal malice in this plant, he did not hint to police. Others, however, cannot help but wonder.

IF SOME extremists are bold enough to plaster the country with slogans such as "Impeach Earl Warren" (the chief justice), would they not turn a similar wrath on his liberal colleagues?

If the incident wasn't deliberately framed to jar.

Justice Brennan, then some of his ungenerous critics may hope that is the result.

washington is tense and on tenterhooks. Nobody knows exactly what to expect next in the way of threats, or violence.



JUSTICE BRENNAN ... Closer to home?

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On June 7, 1968 the facts of this matter were discussed with U.S. Attorney Edward F. Boardman, Tampa, Florida. Mr. Boardman advised that he did not feel that the letter written to Justice Brennan constituted a threat either expressed or implied and therefore was not within the purview of the extortion statute.

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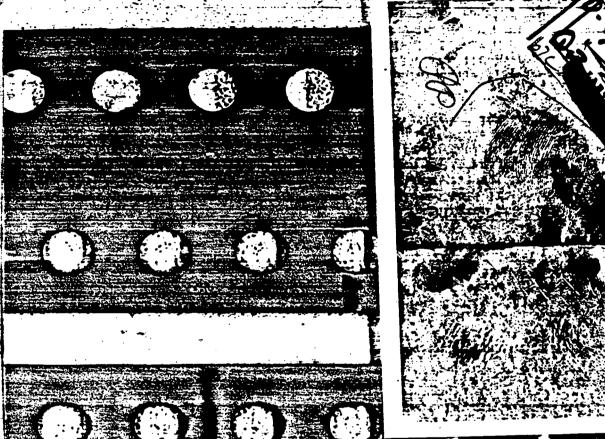
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The above described letter and envelope were received by Justice BRENNAN on 6/3/68, via the White House, Washington, D.C. On 6/4/68, Justice BRENNAN interviewed and advised the letter obviously refers to a .20 gauge Browning shotgup discovered on the lawn of his residence at Washington, D.C., on 5/12/68. Justice BRENNAN stated that he knows no one identifiable with the writer of the letter.

BRENNAN's residence on 5/12/68, was handled by the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C., as lost property case. No dissemination of information re shotgun was made at Washington, D.C.

be brought to the personal attention of the SAC and handled with the utmost dispatch.

Details re discovery of shotgun and interview with Justice BRENNAN to follow in LHM.

REQUEST OF THE BUREAU

The FBI Laboratory is requested to search the abovedescribed letter and envelope through the anonymous letter file. The Laboratory is further requested to process the letter and envelope for latent fingerprints and preserve any latents developed for comparison with future submissions in this case.

The Laboratory is also requested to preserve the above letter and envelope for possible comparison with future typewriter samples submitted in this case.

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and limited inquiry to identify and locate subject.

- (2) Present facts of this matter to USA and advise the Bureau and WFO of USA's opinion. -
 - (3) Report results in form suitable for dissemination.

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AT WASHINGTON, D.C. Maintain contact with office of Associate Justice BRENNAN and report additional communications from subject.

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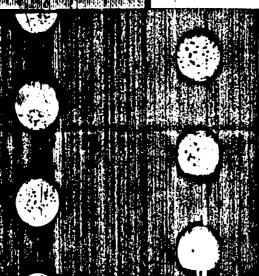
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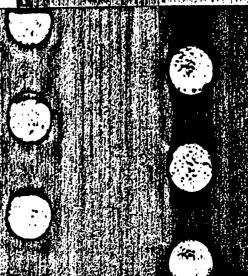


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Justice William E. Brennan, Jr. White House Washington, D. C.

Dear Sire

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It is too bad that the guns found on your premises were not used on you and your family.

Why you people up in Washington will not let the South alone and let our states settle their school matters. When my children came along they went to the schools nearest their homes, therefore many of the children could walk to their schools, thereby eliminating having to travel by bus to school.

I understand that in Washington the White people moved to the suburbs so their children could go to white schools, therefore the negroes took ever the white school buildings. New down here in the South many of our new schools which have been built are the Negro Schools. Children used to enjoy their social life in their schools and could have parties in their hemes of their classes. New since you idiets up there have forced the schools to mix you have taken away lets of the school life for our children.

A negre I am sure would really like it best to have their scheels. On school grounds children will have little fracases. Well when two white boys or girls have mue trouble it is not made a big issue, but let a white person and a negre have some trouble and a big stink is made. The white boy generally gets the worst of the trouble. My maid which I had 8 years told me recently that she wished things were back like they were before all this civil rights stuff took ever.

You take Martin Luther King was saying he was for non-violence but he was nothing but a liar, for everywhere he went he caused riets and trouble. He was teld to stay out of Memphis but no he paid no heed and on TV it showed him with a group of people and when he get them all riled up and he could not handle them he jumped in a car and like a coward he get away. Any man who was arrested as many times as he was for lawlessness also his co-worker Abernathy they should be put in prison for life. King taught more hatred in our country to the negro, instead of him telling them they should be thankful for what we had done for them he put hatred in their minds. Recently saw a graph which stated that over 85% of the negroes lived in 17 states including California and across the South and up the East Coast. Now if these states had not fed clothed, give them jobs and medical aid they would not have multiplied as they have.

Down in Florida so many of the people are from the North and very few will hire a maid for they say they do not want a negro in their kitchens, but the Southern women likes to have a maid help them with their housework. My maids used to tell me that certain women in the neighborhood would ask her about sending them maids, but she teld me you know negroes lie and steal and some are so good for nothing that I do not ever send them any help. You take King's wife is saying that he only left her about \$25,000, and no will. With all the mone, that has been given him I expect if the truth was known he is a millionaire plus. He made no will for he does not want a will probated and know his worth.

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Q2 Enclosed one-page typewritten letter signed

Result of examination:

The typewriting on Q1 and Q2 conforms to a style of Royal elite and L. C. Smith elite type which is spaced twelve letters to the inch.

Q1 and Q2 were compared with material in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification.

No indented writing or other marks were found on Q1 and Q2 which would assist in tracing these documents to their source. Q2 contains an illegible watermark which appears to consist in part of the word BOND.

Q1 and Q2 are returned to Washington Field Office. Photographs are retained and will be available for use in future comparisons.

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JUSTICE WM. J. BRENNAN, JR. July 18, 1968

Dear Mr. DeLoach:

May I express my deep appreciation of the splendid work Mr. did in getting to the bottom of that gun business on our lawn. Knowing the truth has considerably relieved my concern. I am most grateful to you.

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With warmest personal regards.

Sincerely,

Mr. Cartha D. DeLoách, / Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C.

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EX-103 July 22, 1968 REC- 31 9-48 101-15 Honorable William J. Brenzan. Jr. Associate Justice of the ... Supreme Court of the United States Washington, D. C. 20543 My dear Mr. Justice: Mr. DeLoach has shown me your letter of July 18th and I certainly want to thank you for your favorable comment concerning the work of Special Agent and pleased to learn his efforts have merited your approval and I join him and Mr. DeLoach in expressing appreciation for your thoughtful letter. Sincerely yours, ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED MAILED 11 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED JUL 221968 DATE LOLLE 90 BI J. Edgar Hoover - Washington Field - Enclosure Personal Attention: Bring to the attention of D BISHOP .b7C - Enclosure 1 - Personnel File of b 7C NOTE: Bufiles indicate prior cordial correspondence with Justice Brennan, last outgoing in 1964. On 5-12-68 a 20 gauge shotgun, and other items were found on Bishop Callahan Contad . NOTE CONTINUED PAGE TWO. b76 1968 TELETYPE UNIT

Honorable William J. Brennan, Jr.

NOTE continued:

Justice Breznan's lawn. Investigation determined that the shotgun belonge to a neighbor and appeared to have been lost or discarded following a burglary of the neighbor's home. There was no connection established with letters received by Brennan implying threats against him.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535 ___ DATE: June 7, 1968 WILLIAM J. BRENNAN, JR., ASSOCIATE JUSTICE, UNITED STATES Mr. John B. Layton SUPREME COURT; POSSIBLE EXTORTION Chief of Police Metropolitan Police Department Washington, D. C. 20001 Attention: Criminal Investigation Division Crypt.-Trans. Q3 through Q7 Document TP&C .. PICKUP ON Radio Engineering BY. Special Instructions:
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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

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Associate Justice William J.

Brennan, Jr., United States

Supreme Court - VICTIM EXTORTION (00:WFO)

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Re WFO airtel to Bureau dated 6/5/68. Tampa airtel to Bureau dated 6/13/68. Report of SA dated 6/13/68 at Tampa.

Enclosed for the Bureau are the original and four copies of an LHM re captioned subject which is self-explanatory.

One copy of LHM furnished Tampa for information and completion of the Tampa file.

Investigation at Washington, D.C., reflected in the LHM was conducted by SA

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In accordance with Bureau instructions, Associate Justice BRENNAN was advised of the results of investigation in this matter on 6/7/68 and 7/17/68 by WFO. On 7/17/68, Justice BRENNAN stated he was very satisfied with the scope of the investigation and expressed his appreciation for the efforts of the FBT in this matter

In view of the declination of prosecution by USA,
Tampa and dissemination of pertinent facts of the case to
the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C., by
WFO, as set forth in the enclosed LHM, no further investigation in this matter will be conducted, UACB. WFO will SUND.

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Washington, D.C. 20535 July 29, 1968

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> SSOCIATE JUSTICE WILLIAM J. BRENNAN. JR. UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT - VICTIM EXTORTION

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Browning Arms Company, 1706 Washington Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri, advised records of his company disclose a Browning five that, semi-automatic 20 gauge shotgun, with ventilated jib and full choke 28-inch barrel, bearing strial number was part of a shipment of Browning Arms sent to Simon Atlas, Incorporated, 318 Winth Street, M.W., Waskington, D.C., via Roadway Trucklines, freight prepaid, on September 1, 1960, pursuant to Browning Invoice mamber and, dated September 6, 1960.

On June 20, 1968, Department, Simon Atlas pons, Incorporated, 800 E Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., advised that until approximately 1965, the Simon Atlas Sons, Incorporated, store had been located at 318 9th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C.

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during a hunting trip to Augusta, Georgia, and recalled that the gun was shipped to Georgia on an Eastern Air Lines flight and she returned the shotgun to Washington by private charter jet.

Stated that she was reasonably certain that the shotgun was returned to her bedroom closet but she could not specifically recall seeing the shotgun since her return from the Georgia hunting trip in December, 1967.

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May, 1968, she visited New York City several times. She further advised that the maid and cook who were employed by her at that time are no longer employed by her and that their present whereabouts are unknown.

with the Federal Bureau of investigation (FBI) in any way and would immediately advise the FBI if she learned anything concerning the disappearance of mer shotgun and other items.

It is noted that a brief reconnaissance of the vicinity of residence disclosed that N.W., Washington, D.C., is located from Asso-

ciate Justice Brennan's residence at 3037 Dumbarton Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

On June 5, 1968, the FBI Laboratory advised that the envelope addressed to "Justice William E. Brennan, Jr. White House, Washington, D.C.," and letter contained therein signed had been compared with material in the Anonymous Letter File without effecting an identification.

On June 10, 1968, the FBI Laboratory advised that examination of the above described envelope and letter disclosed one latent palm print of value on the letter, and no latent impressions of value on the envelope.

On June 5, 1968, the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C., submitted the following articles to the FBI Laboratory for examination:

Browning 20 gauge shotgun, serial 9227728
Black vinyl zipper case
Five 20 gauge shotgun shells
One 12 gauge shotgun shell
Twenty-five 12 gauge magnum shotgun shells
One medium size multi-color blanket

By letters dated June 7, 1968 and June 12, 1968, the FBI Laboratory advised that examination of the above described articles disclosed no latent impressions of value. Examination of the above described blanket disclosed no labels, laundry or dry cleaners markings. The blanket had several burn holes, and head hairs of Caucasian and Negroid origin were found on the blanket.

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On June 7, 1968, the facts of this matter were discussed with United States Attorney Edward F. Boardman, Tampa, Florida. Mr. Boardman declined prosecution in this matter on the basis that the letter received by Justice Brennan contained neither an implied nor expressed threat that was within the purview of the Federal extortion statute

Criminal Investigation Division, Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C., was advised of the results of investigation in this matter,

In view of the declination of prosecution in this matter by the United States Attorney, Tampa, Florida, no further investigation will be conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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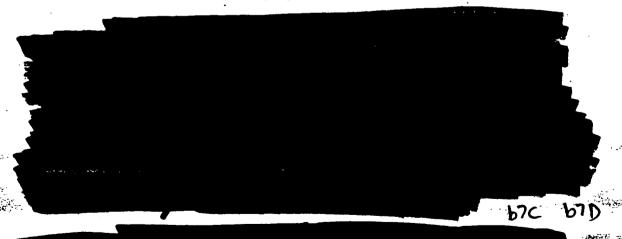
Synopsis:

A Browning .20 gauge shotgun found on sidewalk of wictim's residence determined to be property of neighbor of victim.

One latent palm print of value developed by FBI Laboratory on letter to victim. **67C**

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