

Watts Riot (wrong date of riot by LAPD.)

Hertz

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INTERVIEWS

PERSON INTERVIEWED: HERTZ, Albert Leslie DATE/TIME \_\_\_\_\_

SEX \_\_\_\_\_ RACE \_\_\_\_\_ HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ EYES \_\_\_\_\_ HT \_\_\_\_\_ WT \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 777 E. Valley Blvd. #32, Alhambra PHONE 289-3311

BUSINESS ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

INFORMATION: (WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY & HOW)

Mr. HERTZ was interviewed by telephone at his residence on 7-9-68 at 3:30 PM. He stated he bought the 22 cal. revolver because of the Watts Riots in August 1965. He put the gun in the bottom drawer of his filing cabinet & never had occasion to fire it. His wife found the gun in late 1965 in the drawer of the filing cabinet & gave it to her daughter, Mrs. Robert (Dana) Westlake, 349 Redwood Dr., Woodacre, Calif. (415) 454-3202. When Mr. HERTZ's wife gave the gun to her daughter she remarked that she didn't want the gun around the house & was unaware that Mr. HERTZ had purchased it.

Mr. HERTZ is a retired Army Lt. Colonel. As a civil engineer, he traveled the world both in a private & military capacity on large civil engineering projects.

Mr. HERTZ stated he does not know Sirhan & only first heard of him after the assassination.

Mr. HERTZ was not interviewed in person as he is recovering from a heart attack & did not feel well enough for a personal interview.

Mr. HERTZ was interviewed on 6-5-68 by unk member Homic. Div. re: the gun. Report of that interview is contained in 6-7-68 FBI report page 255. Photocopies attached.

→ The gun sale was made 8-10-65 but the Watts Riots didn't take place until 8-11-65 -

kw/8-9-68

INVESTIGATORS MAKING INTERVIEW:  
S/Cochran

APPROVED BY:  
S/Lt. Pena

*[Signature]*

*Give him a letter if there's*  
*L-32 it.*  
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HERTZ, ALBERT L.

PERSONAL DATA

Date of Birth:

Place of Birth:

Education:

Professional Society:

Registered Civil Engineer:

Present Address:

Present Telephone:

December 10, 1897.

Calmar, Iowa, U.S.A.

Graduate, Calmar High School.

Graduate, Iowa State University, 1920,

B. S. C. E.

American Society of Civil Engineers,  
Fellow.

California, #12335; Iowa, #1301.

1400 Capinero Drive, Pasadena, Calif.

Sycamore 9-2859.

EXPERIENCE

October 1958 to Present:

Retired, Lt. Col. AUS

June 1954 to October 1958:

Chief Engineer, Korea Office, Tippetts-  
Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton.

Consulting Engineers to the United  
Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency.  
A wide variety of engineering assign-  
ments for UNKRA including dredging and  
wharf and ware house construction at  
Kunsan Harbor; Electrical Power Plants  
at four cities on Chejo-Do Island. Two  
cement manufacturing plants; one rela-  
bilitated (120,000 M/T per annum), one  
new (200,000 M/T i.e. 1,170,000 bbls.  
per annum). A Flat Glass Plant  
(12,000,000 sq. ft. per annum - later  
enlarged to 18,000,000 sq. ft. per an-  
num); A modern 500 bed hospital in  
Seoul. Preliminary engineering studies  
for a large fertilizer plant (later built  
by ICA).

February 1954 to June 1954:

Leave.

January 1953 to February  
1954:

Chief Engineer and Project Manager,  
Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., Jeddah, Saudi  
Arabia. Engineering Consultants and  
Purchasing Agents for the Kingdom of  
Saudi Arabia. Planned and executed a  
number of public works projects includ-  
ing a 6,000 man troop training camp at  
Al Khars. A twenty mile welded steel  
pipe line 24" diameter to carry wa-  
ter to the City of Riyadh. Studies  
of port facilities and navigational aids for

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the harbor of Jedda. Design, purchase and erection of diesel driven power plants and electrical distribution systems for Riyadh and Jedda.

February 1950 to January 1953:

Self employed, Pawlet, Vermont.

August 1948 to February 1950:

Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall & MacDonald, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Chief Field Engineer, Juramento River Project. Ninety Meter high earth fill dam to provide irrigation for 100,000 hectares and produce 44,000 KVA of power. Project included all necessary field surveys and investigations, preliminary report and recommendation to Argentine Government.

October 1942 to October 1947:

Active Duty, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army. Area Engineer and Post Commander, Kazvin Post, Kazvin, Iran. Transferred later for invasion of Luzon, Philippine Islands. In charge of rehabilitation of Port of Manila. Reconstruction of War damaged piers in North and South Harbors. Dredging of Harbor and lower Pasig River. Retired October 1947 (Lt. Col.).

June 1941 to October 1942:

The Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, Mobile, Alabama. Asst. Chief and Acting Chief, Engineering Division (about 600 employees). Design of about 400 million dollars of Military Facilities including Divisional Training Camps, Air Fields, Storage Depots, etc. Also a number of Civil Works including Allatoona Dam at Cartersville, Georgia.

August 1938 to June 1941:

The Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army. Pittsburgh, Pa. Project Engineer in charge Johnstown Channel Improvement, Johnstown, Pa. Widening, deepening and lining with concrete about nine miles of the Conemaugh, Little Conemaugh and Stoney Creek Rivers. (about \$9,000,000).

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December 1927 to August 1938: Assistant Municipal Engineer the Panama Canal. All Municipal Engineering for the Canal Zone as well as for the Cities of Panama City (150,000 people) and Colon (50,000 people) in the Republic of Panama. In addition, personally in charge in the field of heavy construction projects including:

- (a) Madden Highway, 12 miles high type concrete highway through virgin jungle.
- (b) Gamboa Townsite. Complete new town for employees of the Dredging Division (about 2,000).
- (c) Construction of a concrete dry dock and two wharves at Mount Hope.
- (d) Construction of Thatcher Highway, seven miles connecting with Panama's portion of the Inter American Highway system.
- (e) Construction of Pier 15, Balboa. Concrete and steel wharf 60' x 650' with foundations carried 65' below mean sea level in open sheet pile cofferdams, 16' x 66' and 90' on centers. Superstructure 90' steel girders with concrete deck.

December 1924 to December 1927: Self employed, Maquoketa, Iowa.

June 1920 to December 1924: Union Pacific Railroad, Iowa State Highway Commission, Illinois Dept. of Highways. Instrumentman to Resident Engineer.

#### REFERENCES

- (1) Brig. Gen. James H. Stratton, Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton, 375 Park Avenue, New York 22, New York.
- (2) Michael Baker Jr., Michael Baker, Jr., Inc., Rochester, Pennsylvania.
- (3) A. H. Hatch, Pittsford, Vermont.
- (4) Brig. Gen. L. D. Worsham, c/o Ralph M. Parsons Company, 151 South De Lacey Avenue, Pasadena, California.



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Serial Number (including any letters)

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Blue Nickel Other (describe)

Check One

New Used

Country of origin (USA, France, Germany, etc.)

Barrel length

Caliber

NAME OF PURCHASER (print name in full)

LOCAL ADDRESS (if traveling, or in locality temporarily)

PERMANENT ADDRESS (street and number, city, town or township, and state)

777 E. VALLEY BLVD #324 ANAHEIM, CA

To be answered YES or NO

Is purchaser a citizen of the United States of America?

YES

Is purchaser very seldom convicted of a felony?

NO

Is purchaser addicted to the use of narcotics?

NO

Month Day Year

12 10 1947

State and country

California

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CA 41545

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Gun - original @ C11

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INTERVIEWS

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PERSON INTERVIEWED: PINEDA James Clarence

DATE/TIME 10-11-68 9:30am

SEX     RACE Lat. HAIR Blk EYES Brn HT 5 8 WT 220 DOB 7 12 37

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 3200 E. Foothill Blvd., Pasadena PHONE None

BUSINESS ADDRESS 800 S. Arroyo Parkway, Pasadena PHONE 681-8103

(Except Wed.)

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Mr. Pineda was employed by the Pasadena Gun Shop Inc., 318 W. Green St., Pasadena during 1965. He was shown dealers record of sale of revolver or pistol state of California number C675795. He stated that he filled out the form on August 10, 1965, at 9:30 a.m. The writing on the form was his except for the signature of the purchaser. He does not have an independent recollection of the sale. He can ID the weapon sold by the serial number and description.

the record of sale is a certified copy of the original. The original copy is in the possession of the Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, Department of Justice, State of California. Copy of the records is Mr. E. A. Chamberlin.

*The original copy <sup>was</sup> is in the possession of the Bureau of Criminal Identification & Investigation, DOJ, State of Ca.*

*This original copy @ C11 was ~~destroyed~~ while the photo stat copy is under lock & key @ Ca State Archives, Sacramento. I wanted to have an expert examiner of questioned documents examine original DROS. But - it was destroyed. Outrageous*