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This is a copy of an "onion skin" roster sheet of the Jack Barron-taught polygraph course at ONI HQ, 30 Nov - 11 Dec 1959. I do have a photograph of the class but it has defied my best efforts to locate it (although I did find the roster that was attached to it).

The class was supposed to be for experienced special agents. I was the exception, being only a PG-9. The other seven in the class were PG-11's.

Clyde Roach had only two years of service but was on a fast track to stardom. He had made PG-11 in only 18 months.

Joe Knappik was slated for transfer to Italy upon completion of the class, and to take a little time to marry. He was a deeply religious guy, quite evident in the manner in which he talked and behaved. But, he proved to be one of ONI's classic long-time gundeckers. I was the one who uncovered his proclivities through an interview of a Catholic Brother at a seminary in Upstate New York. It gets complicated here but the Brother's account of Knappick, who had some sort of connection with a seminary in 4ND, was at odds with case material I was handling. It was evident to me that something was wrong, and I reported it telephonically to Harry Durand (Sup Agt DIO-3ND) who patched it to the Sup Agt in DIO-4ND. Knappik was swiftly exposed, defrocked and fired. I heard later that multiple agents were assigned to go back over Knappik's work and found that it was a real mess.

Jack Barron was assisted in the class by Fred Kaufman (Hoffman ?), newly arrived from an RA in Oklahoma. It was a good class and I enjoyed being with those senior guys. We were issued big, bulky heavy spring-wound machines to take home with us. Jack said that he favored spring-wound because they were more accurate - the reason there being electricity could vary and skew results. They were two-needle machines. If you were polygraphing an arab, have another arab ask the questions while you operated - while an arab could lie to you and get away with it, he could not lie to another arab. (I never got the chance to test this.) Also, if you were polygraphing in Category 3, make the subject lie down as it would disturb any countermeasures he might know and employ.

I recall that the course was taught in sort of a warehouse which was ONI HQ for us after being evicted from the Pentagon. It was a grim place. There were other tenants in the building. We took our breaks sitting on the dock in the rear of the building. The eight of us were billeted in one dormitory room ("Boys Town") at the Anacostia BOQ. (Later, Brian McKee also was Jack Barron-trained. I only had about 50 cases; and only one with spectacular results. Jack hated the word "box"; "And DON'T CALL IT A BOX." he'd say." OK, Jack!

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Personnel attending Polygraph Course 1P-60  
30 Nov - 11 Dec 1959

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