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to Pensacola from Mobile to watch the dog races, this man stated that he, too, would get off in Mobile and go to Pensacola with him although he planned to go to New Orleans.

WARD stated that he and the man identified by him as OSWALD arrived in Mobile at approximately 6:00 PM and almost immediately caught a bus to Pensacola where they attended the dog races. Both returned by bus to Mobile, arriving about midnight and he, WARD, obtained a room in a hotel across the street from the bus station; however, the man identified by him as OSWALD stayed at the bus station stating he was going on to New Orleans. WARD stated that he has not seen this individual since that time.

WARD stated that the man identified by him as OSWALD never did tell him what his name was and he never did ask the man for his name. WARD stated that he and this man did not discuss anything in particular concerning where the man had been and where he was going, what he planned to do, and as a result, he knows nothing whatever about this individual as a result of his conversations with him.

WARD was asked if he loaned this individual some money, and he stated that he had not, that they had both bet on the dog races and this man had won about \$800 in this manner and he himself had won about \$125 on that occasion.

WARD was asked if he had observed this individual in the vicinity of the State Capitol in Montgomery, Alabama, during the time Attorney General ROBERT KENNEDY was visiting in Montgomery. WARD stated he did not go around the capitol during the time Attorney General KENNEDY was in Montgomery and has no idea if this man was in that vicinity. He stated that he does recall that the visit to Montgomery by Attorney General KENNEDY was on the day after he had seen the man identified by him as OSWALD at the Trailways Bus Station in Montgomery in January or February, 1963.

WARD was asked if he were convinced beyond any doubt that the man he had met on the two occasions in Montgomery was identical with LEE HARVEY OSWALD. WARD stated that he could not swear that this individual was definitely LEE HARVEY OSWALD; however, based on this man's appearance and OSWALD's appearance as depicted in his pictures, he feels rather certain that this man was identical with OSWALD.

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P. Allegation Individual Using Name JERRY  
PELLEGRINO, Who Appeared at Saab Motor  
Company, Bethesda, Maryland, in Early  
1963 Resembled LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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RE: JERRY PELLEGRINO  
BLADENSBURG, MARYLAND

On December 3, 1963, Mr. WALTER ANDREW KOOPMAN, Saab Motor Company, 4922 Cordell Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland, telephoned the headquarters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C. and advised that the photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD resembled a man who had come into his place of business early in 1963.

Mr. KOOPMAN was contacted in person on December 3, 1963 by Special Agent LELAND L. HUDSON of the Baltimore Division concerning this individual.

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RE: JERRY PELLEGRINO  
BLADENSBURG, MARYLAND--

On December 4, 1963, Mrs. GEORGE M. HARRIS, Jr., 4000 52nd Avenue, Bladensburg, Maryland, advised Special Agent ROBERT L. LANPHEAR that GENNARO PELLEGRENO, also known as JERRY PELLEGRENO had rented a room from her from about March to May 1963. He had a mother, Mrs. GENNARO PELLEGRENO, who lived at 500 E. 119th Street, New York 35, New York, telephone FI. 8-4420. PELLEGRENO gave Mrs. HARRIS his place of employment as an electronics firm and provided her with the same telephone number he had given WALTER ANDREW KOOPMAN. On his arrival, he had displayed Army discharge papers, which indicated his age as about 35. Mrs. HARRIS further described PELLEGRENO as a ~~black~~ white male, short and stocky, having dark close-cropped hair and as being a crackpot with some association with the John Birch Society.

Miss HELEN WHITE, Personnel Department, Fairchild Stratos, 5006 Jackson Boulevard, Bladensburg, Maryland, advised Special Agent LANPHEAR on December 4, 1963 that her records show J. PELLEGRENO was an employee of a sub-contractor of their firm, the Arde Engineering Company, 11 Hill Street, Newark, New Jersey and had been employed during March 1963 as a structural designer.

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Mr. WALTER ANDREW KOOPMAN, who resides at 2404 Parallel Lane, Silver Spring, Maryland, was interviewed at his place of business the Saab Motor Company, at 4922 Cordell Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland. KOOPMAN furnished the following information:

In the current issue of U. S. News and World Report on page 59 or 69 there appeared a close-up photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, who is accused of the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. Upon seeing this photograph KOOPMAN stated that it looked very much like a man who came into his place of business on Cordell Avenue sometime between February 15, 1963 and March 15, 1963. KOOPMAN advised that the person resembling OSWALD called himself JERRY PELLEGRINO and had come to him to determine whether he would be able to trade his Volkswagen for a Saab. During the conversation, KOOPMAN advised that it became quite obvious that PELLEGRINO was not interested in trading cars but was more interested in talking, which he did at length.

PELLEGRINO stated that he had been living in either St. Louis, Missouri or St. Louis, Illinois, but had lost his job a week or ten days earlier. PELLEGRINO spoke a great deal about the "shape the country was in" and the lack of leadership.

KOOPMAN advised that a few days later, PELLEGRINO returned briefly to his place of business and left a picture post card in an envelope. This card had a picture of the United Nations Building and imprinted across the picture was "The House That Hiss Built." On the back of the card was the printed words "Isn't it time we did something about this?" KOOPMAN no longer has this card; however, PELLEGRINO at the same time left a manila envelope addressed to Mr. JERRY PELLEGRIM, 500 East 119th Street, New York City 35, New York. The manila envelope was apparently a business envelope from Allen-Bradley Company, Quality Motor Control, 136 West Greenfield Avenue, Milwaukee 4, Wisconsin.

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On 12/3/63 at Bethesda, Maryland File # BA 89-30

by SA LELAND L. HUDSON:mjh

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Enclosed in the manila envelope were the following:

1. A complete reprint of testimony of Dr. SCHWARTZ contained in the U. S. Government Printing Office, Document number 52964. Stamped in the margin of this document was "Four Freedoms Study Group, Post Office Box 3815 - TA 2-1271, Kirkwood 22, Missouri."
2. A one page reproduction of an Encyclical Letter of HIS HOLINESS POPE PIUS XI, issued in 1937, entitled "Atheistic Communism" (Divini Redemptoris).
3. The Wackenhet Security Review, Volume 3, Number 3, dated March, 1963, entitled "Communism and You."
4. Hillman/Mac Fadden Pocketbook by NATHANIEL WEYL, entitled "Red Star Over Cuba."
5. A pocketbook distributed by Christian Crusade, Box 977 Tulsa, Oklahoma, entitled "Communist America, Must It Be?" by BILLY JAMES HARGIS, D.D. On the inside of the front cover was the following pencil notation:

c/o Mrs. HARRIS  
JERRY PELLEGRINO  
400b - 52nd Street  
Bladensburg, Maryland  
UN 4-4531  
Work - Fairchild Stratos  
extention 26  
5006 Johnson Street

Mr. KOOPMAN advised that he has neither seen nor heard from this man since he left the pamphlets.

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Q. Allegation That ARNOLD LOUIS KESSLER  
Associated With LEE HARVEY OSWALD in  
Mexico City Prior to Assassination

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On March 20, 1964, Dallas T-4 advised that he was in Mexico City until approximately two weeks ago. While in Mexico City he had occasion to visit the Casa de los Amigos operated by the American Friends Service Committee in Mexico City. While visiting the Casa de los Amigos, he met one ARNOLD (last name unknown) who was residing at the Casa de los Amigos.

ARNOLD had in his possession a press card which identified him as an employee of the "Mexico City Times", but he was not employed by that publication at the time he met informant. In addition, informant was unable to furnish any information as to where ARNOLD was working at the time.

ARNOLD related he had been in Mexico City for approximately four months and commented to informant that he had had dinner with LEE HARVEY OSWALD on the occasion of the latter's visit to Mexico City prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY. ARNOLD did not say where this dinner engagement took place, nor did he relate any of the details of the conversation he had with OSWALD on the occasion of this dinner. Informant advised he did not learn whether ARNOLD met with OSWALD on any other occasion either in Mexico or elsewhere.

Informant described ARNOLD as a white male American, twenty to twenty-four years of age, 5'10", 160 pounds, blond hair, ruddy complexion, and full mustache. Informant noted that ARNOLD claimed to be from Berkeley, California.

Informant concluded by stating he has no additional information regarding the above matter, no further description of ARNOLD, and no idea where ARNOLD is living and working at the present time.

On April 7, 1964, Investigative Clerk DAVID L. DE WEBSE reviewed at the Passport Office, United States Department of State, a passport application dated September 9, 1963, for ARNOLD

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LOUIS KESSLER, born September 28, 1942, at Detroit, Michigan. This application was filed at San Francisco and revealed that a passport was issued to him on September 10, 1963, at San Francisco.

The aforementioned records reflected that KESSLER's permanent address was 18266 Pinehurst, Detroit, Michigan. His approximate date of departure from the United States was October 1, 1963, and he indicated he intended to stay abroad six months. His proposed itinerary was Brazil, Peru and Argentina, and the purpose of his trip was to visit relatives in these countries.

The aforementioned records contained the following description of KESSLER:

Height	5'9"
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Occupation	Student

The aforementioned records contained a photograph of ARNOLD LOUIS KESSLER dated September 10, 1963. A copy of this photograph was exhibited to the original source in this matter, who advised that he met "ARNOLD" while visiting the Casa de los Amigos in Mexico City.

The aforementioned informant advised on April 14, 1964, that ARNOLD LOUIS KESSLER was positively identical with the "ARNOLD" he met at the Casa de los Amigos.

Records of the University of California, Berkeley, California reflect that Arnold Louis KESSLER, born September 28, 1942, Detroit, Michigan, was admitted to the University of California, Berkeley, in the spring of 1962 and officially withdrew September 1, 1963, for lack of money.

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The aforementioned records contained no information reflecting KESSLER's intention to return to the University of California and the only relatives shown in these records are his parents, SAM KESSLER and PAULINE BUCKLER KESSLER, 18266 Pinehurst, Detroit, Michigan.

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Subsequent investigation was conducted to locate ARNOLD LOUIS KESSLER. He was located and interviewed, the results of which have previously been reported. KESSLER stated during interview that he had, at no time, met LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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R. Allegation That Individual in Telephone Call From Jerry's Wagon Wheel, Phoenix, Arizona, to DELORES CONSTANT, Dallas, Texas, on November 24, 1963, Remarked "OSWALD Got The Big Money and They Will Never Find It."

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 9, 1964

Records of the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company, Phoenix, Arizona, contain the following information:

On November 24, 1963 at 11:25 AM, an unknown individual placed a person-to-person telephone call from telephone number 275-6621, listed to Jerry's Wagon Wheel, 4100 East Van Buren, Phoenix, to DELORES CONSTANT, Dallas, Texas, area code 214, telephone number 528-5243. The call lasted for six minutes. The caller was overheard saying "Everything went wrong in Dallas. Police have been looking for the checks." The caller also stated "OSWALD got the big money and they will never find it."

The above information can only be made public in the proper proceeding upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum which should be directed to LAWSON V. SMITH, Vice President and General Manager, Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Company, 16 West McDowell Road, Phoenix, Arizona.

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On 11/24/63 at Phoenix, Arizona File # PX 89-42

by SA ROY W. REGER :btg Date dictated 4/8/64

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 9, 1964

JERRY PRATT, Owner of Jerry's Wagon Wheel, 4100 East Van Buren, Phoenix, Arizona, stated that he is the person who made a telephone call to his girl friend, DELORES CONSTANT at Dallas, Texas on November 24, 1963.

PRATT said the reference to the money and the Police was concerning a burglary which occurred at his establishment on the night of November 23, 1963. PRATT could not recall mentioning the name of OSWALD. However, he did ask his girl friend about all the trouble in Dallas.

On 11/24/63 at Phoenix, Arizona File # PX 89-42 517

by SA ROY W. REGER

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/25/631

Mrs. DELORES CONSTANT, nee Conkright, 3700 Fairfax Street, advised she received a telephone call on November 24, 1963, from a friend, JERRY PRATT, owner of Jerry's Wagon Wheel, 4100 East Van Buren, Phoenix, Arizona. She advised that PRATT informed her that when he opened his business establishment on that date he found that it had been burglarized.

According to Mrs. CONSTANT, PRATT stated that "they failed to find the big money and only took some change and checks from the bar." She stated PRATT also commented concerning the "OSWALD case" and remarked that there had been considerable excitement in Dallas, to which she agreed.

on 11/24/63 at Dallas, TexasFile # DL 100-10461by Special Agent JOHN V. ALMON/eahDate dictated 11/25/63

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8. Allegation That LEE HARVEY OSWALD Is  
Welch, West Virginia, November 11, 1963

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RE: ALLEGATION THAT LEE OSWALD WAS IN WELCH,  
WEST VIRGINIA, November 11, 1963

On December 2, 1953, Mr. FAUL HARRISON, Superintendent, Susquehanna Toll Bridge, Perryville, Maryland, advised SA GLYNN W. EILAND, that on December 1, 1953, a former employee of his at the toll bridge, [ODELL S. DANGERFIELD] had attempted to reach him via long distance telephone but was unable to do so. [DANGERFIELD] left the following message with an employee at the bridge and asked that it be given to Mr. HARRISON, "OSWALD, who killed the President, was reported to have been in Welch, West Virginia, on November 11, 1963, while Vice President JOHNSON was there".

Mr. HARRISON stated that he has fired [DANGERFIELD] in 1957 for being unreliable due to his drinking habits. He added that [DANGERFIELD] had returned to West Virginia. He had recently heard that [DANGERFIELD] was arrested for bootlegging at Iaeger, West Virginia, and that he was reported to be living there.

On December 2, 1953, Miss LEEDA KIPROW, Secretary to RUSSELL DAVIS, Personnel Director, State of Maryland, State Office Building, Baltimore, Maryland, advised SA J. STANLEY ROTZ that the only address they had for ODELL S. DANGERFIELD was that in 1957 when he resided at RFD 1, Box 172 Elkton, Maryland. [DANGERFIELD] was employed as a guard at the Susquehanna Toll Bridge, Perryville, Maryland, from April to September, 1957.

On December 4, 1953, the Pittsburgh Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, advised that on December 3, 1953, [ODELL SYLVESTER] DANGERFIELD had been interviewed by SA FRANCIS E. BURKE at Redbird near Iaeger, West Virginia. [DANGERFIELD] had advised that a coal miner, whose identity he could not recall, mentioned to him about December 1, 1953, that he had heard that LEE OSWALD, President KENNEDY's assassin, was seen in Welch, West Virginia, November 11, 1953, at a celebration attended by LYNDON B. JOHNSON, then Vice President.

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Chief of Police CLEVE HILTON, Iaeger, West Virginia, advised SA BURKE on December 3, 1963, that DANGERFIELD is a heavy drinker and totally unreliable. Chief of Police BUSTER DODSON, Welch, West Virginia, advised that no allegation of OSWALD's presence in Welch, West Virginia, as indicated by DANGERFIELD had been reported to Chief DODSON and he doubted the story.

Since previous investigation placed OSWALD in Dallas, Texas, on November 11, 1953, no further investigation was conducted concerning the foregoing allegation.

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T. Allegation That LEE HARVEY OSWALD Met  
With FIDEL CASTRO's Agents in Mexico  
for Instructions as to how to Assassinate  
the President as Furnished by Mr. LEE  
DAUGHERTY

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/21/64

On 4/17/64 "Mr. LEON DAUGHERTY, P. O. Box 537, Half Moon Bay, California, furnished the following information to SA MAX H. FISCHER:

"Mr. Daugherty is a retired Army Officer presently working for Western Auto Company and is temporarily visiting in the Pebble Beach, California, area.

During the latter part of February, 1964, "Mr. Daugherty took an Eastern Airlines flight from Tampa, Florida, to Dallas, Texas. The flight had originated in Miami, Florida, and was to terminate either in Phoenix, Arizona, or Albuquerque, New Mexico. When he sat on the plane, he sat down next to two Cuban doctors (obstetricians) who had boarded the flight at Miami, Florida. One was an older man who sat next to the window and spoke almost no English. The other was about 45 years of age and was en route Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, where he had obtained a position as a Resident physician in an Oklahoma City hospital. He was accompanied on the flight by a wife and either two or three small children.

This doctor, whose name Daugherty cannot recall, said he had recently come to the United States from Spain and the only way he could get out of Cuba was to go to Spain and thereafter obtain a visa to come to the United States. He indicated that he had been educated in the United States before World War II and served as an intern at St. Vincent's Hospital in New York City during World War II.

As the plane approached Dallas, Texas, this doctor asked Mr. Daugherty what he thought about the assassination of President Kennedy. Daugherty replied that it had been a horrible thing and wondered whether the truth would ever be known to the American people. The doctor replied that the truth would not be published for at least ten years and that he knew Lee Harvey Oswald had been to Mexico prior to the time of the assassination and had met with some of Fidel Castro's agents for instructions as to how to assassinate the President. He did not say how he had such knowledge but his statement was to the effect that he had knowledge that such were true facts and not a theory that the doctor had developed.

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On 4/17/64 at Pebble Beach, California File # SR 89-59

by SA MAX H. FISCHER :1c

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"Mr. Dauchert" thought about the conversation later and wondered how the doctor could have so much knowledge about the President's assassination when he supposedly was in Cuba until recently.

He stated that the exact date of the flight could be established at New Orleans, Louisiana, as it was the day the "Cotton Queen" arrived there for the Mardi Gras and newspaper photographers were on hand to take her picture.

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Investigation based on the information furnished by  
Mr. LES DAUGHERTY is reflected in the report of Special Agent  
HARVEY B. MURPHY, dated May 14, 1964, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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U. Allegation That Owner or Manager of  
~~Riviera Club, Castroville, Texas, Was~~  
LEE HARVEY OSWALD's Brother

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The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOHN M. KEMMY:

AT SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

On November 30, 1963, JANET M. BRIEDEN, Clerk, San Antonio FBI Office, advised that on that date her sister, MARY LYNN BRIEDEN, had advised her that a friend of MARY LYNN's, TOMMY ESTES, of Devine, Texas, had advised MARY LYNN on the night of November 29, 1963, that the man who either owned or managed the Riviera Club in Castroville, Texas, was thought to be OSWALD's brother.

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Date April 14, 1964

CHARLES J. HITZFELDER, Sheriff, Medina County, Texas, advised that to his knowledge the brother of LEE HARVEY OSWALD does not operate, manage, or reside at the Riviera Club in Castroville, Texas. Sheriff HITZFELDER informed that he has no information that OSWALD has any relatives at this place.

HITZFELDER advised this club is owned and managed by one DAVID HONIGFELD who has resided there for several years and who originally is from Paterson, New Jersey. He said HONIGFELD is a former opera singer and allegedly holds a law degree. He said HONIGFELD [has] low morals and associates and entertains prostitutes and caters to convicts and the criminal element. HITZFELDER said that he has raided this club several times and apprehended wanted felons and escaped prisoners.

Sheriff HITZFELDER said to his knowledge HONIGFELD has no contact with OSWALD.

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On 11/30/63 at Devine, Texas File # SA 89-67  
by SA JOSEPH C. WEBB, JR./dnb Date dictated 4/14/64  
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V. Allegation That Son-in-Law (DAVID MILLER)  
of Woman Residing at 2307 Finley Road,  
Irving, Texas, Conspired With LEE HARVEY  
OSWALD in Assassination Believed to Have  
Been Made by MARION B. MEHARG, Former  
Son-in-Law

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On April 23, 1964, Mr. ROBIE LOVE, Justice of the Peace, Dallas County, Texas, telephonically advised SA CHARLES T. BROWN, JR., as follows:

Mr. LOVE said his wife received a telephone call from an unidentified colored man, who advised Mrs. LOVE he is the yardman for a woman residing at 2307 Finley Road, Irving, Texas. This unidentified colored man told Mrs. LOVE he desired to report some information to Mr. LOVE because he knew Mr. LOVE and he had been "scared to death" to say anything about this previously because he was afraid they might "kill him."

The man told Mrs. LOVE he was working in the yard at 2307 Finley Road, Irving, on the day of the assassination, November 22, 1963. He overheard the woman who lives at 2307 Finley Road talking to her son-in-law on the telephone, at which time there was a conversation reflecting the son-in-law had conspired with LEE HARVEY OSWALD to assassinate the President. On November 22, 1963, this unidentified son-in-law arrived in Dallas, Texas, and visited with the woman living at 2307 Finley Road. This man allegedly came from Tennessee or Georgia and reportedly left Dallas at 2:20 PM, on November 22, 1963, after the assassination, to return to Tennessee or Georgia. The woman at 2307 Finley Road supposedly had a great hatred for President KENNEDY.

This unidentified man told Mrs. LOVE he had worried over this matter for months and he desired to get it off his mind.

SA CHARLES T. BROWN, JR., checked the Criss-Cross Directory for the Dallas area, at which time it was ascertained LEWIS MAX ASHBURN resides at 2307 Finley Road, Irving, Texas.

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Mr. LOVE, in furnishing the above information, stated his wife obtained a telephone number, "BL 5-6249," and believed that number was connected in some way with the call from the yardman.

A check of the Dallas Criss-Cross Directory fails to list a listing for "BL 5-6249."

Mr. LOVE did not know whether this telephone number applied to the yardman or to the woman residing at 2307 Finley Road, Irving.

Date 4/28/641

The records of the Southwestern States Telephone Company, Irving, Texas, reflect telephone number BL 5-6249 is listed to MILDRED BERNICE CLICK, of 2307 Firley Road, Irving, Texas.

Records indicate this telephone was connected to that residence on March 14, 1964, and that subscriber CLICK is presently employed as a clerk at Jameson's Pharmacy, 219 Jefferson Davis Center, Dallas, Texas.

The above information will be made available upon the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum, which should be directed to Mr. WILLIAM P. ESSLINGER, Division Manager, Southwestern States Telephone Company, 210 South Main Street, Irving, Texas.

on 4/24/64 at Irving, Texas File # 422 DL 100-10461

by Special Agents RUGENE F. PETRAKIS & A. RAYMOND Date dictated 4/27/64

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On April 29, 1964, Lieutenant JOE HUBBARD, Irving Police Department, Irving, Texas, telephonically advised that at 9:00 P.M., April 20, 1964, Officer WALTER LIPSCOMB, Irving Police Department, received a telephone call from an unknown male telling the police to go to 2307 Finley Road and they would find a man that was wanted. The caller then hung up.

Lieutenant HUBBARD said that at 9:30 P.M. on April 25, 1964, Officer LIPSCOMB received another telephone call, believed to be from the same individual, who stated that he bet that Georgia would like to know who was at 2307 Finley Road and that the caller then hung up.

Lieutenant HUBBARD advised that at 10:05 P.M. on April 26, 1964, Sergeant W. L. DRAKE, Irving Police Department, received a long distance telephone call from Captain A. L. HUTCHINS, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Atlanta, Georgia. Captain HUTCHINS advised Sergeant DRAKE that the Georgia Bureau of Investigation telephone operator had received a long distance telephone call from a person who stated that he would not tell his name because he did not want to get killed, but that there was a woman who lived at 2307 Finley Road, Irving, Texas, who had a son-in-law that knew who killed the three Georgia policemen. Captain HUTCHINS advised Sergeant DRAKE that the caller then hung up.

Lieutenant HUBBARD stated that inquiry at 2307 Finley Road reveals this is the residence of Mrs. BERNICE CLICK, who purchased the property from LEWIS MAX ASHBURN recently. According to Lieutenant HUBBARD, MARION B. MEHARG is the former son-in-law of Mrs. CLICK, whose daughter and her present husband, Mr. and Mrs. DAVID MILLER, reside at 125 Northern Avenue, Apartment Number 2, Atlanta, Georgia, telephone 377-4168.

Lieutenant HUBBARD advised that he is convinced that the telephone calls above were made by MARION B. MEHARG and that he has sent teletype to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation advising them that he suspects such call they received was from MARION B. MEHARG.

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Previous investigation has been conducted concerning MARION B. MEHARG and information attributed to him which is set forth on pages 49 to 56 of the report of Special Agent ROBERT P. GEMBERLING dated December 23, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, and pages 99 through 118 of the report of Special Agent ROBERT P. GEMBERLING dated January 22, 1964, at Dallas, Texas.

The facts developed in connection with the information allegedly furnished by MEHARG were presented to Assistant U. S. Attorney B. H. TIMMINS, JR. at Dallas, Texas, on February 14, 1964, at which time he advised that, after reviewing the results of the investigation, he was declining prosecution with respect to MEHARG making false statements and impersonating a U. S. Secret Service agent because he did not believe the facts indicated an offense which could be proved in Federal Court. He further stated that the facts indicated that a domestic situation was responsible for the alleged actions of MEHARG and that he did not believe the Federal Court should be used to solve such a domestic situation.

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W. U. S. Treasury Department Tax Form  
1040 Bearing Writing "LEE OSWALD Was  
Here!" in Yellow Ink Found in U. S.  
Post Office, Waterloo, Iowa

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By communication dated January 6, 1964, the Omaha Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation furnished a U. S. Treasury Department Tax Form 1040 with a printed sticker addressed to KATINKA A. MALOY, 241 Prospect Avenue, Waterloo, Iowa, with the writing "Lee Oswald was here!" in yellow ink. This form had been furnished to the FBI Resident Agency, Waterloo, Iowa, by Mr. THOMAS GORGAS, Assistant Postmaster, U. S. Post Office, Waterloo, Iowa, who stated it had been noted in a mail pouch received at that U. S. Post Office from the Internal Revenue Service, Ogden, Utah. He said that all mail in the pouch was Internal Revenue Service forms, pre-addressed for mailing at Ogden, Utah, and that when the pouch was opened for distribution of the forms in the Waterloo area, it was noted the writing was on this form. He said the writing "Lee Oswald was here!" was apparently written on the form before the typed address sticker was applied, as the address sticker covers part of the writing. He said that another Internal Revenue Service Form 1040 in this same bag had the words "Hello there" on it, but said he could not locate this form; however, it appeared to have been written by the same type and color of pen. GORGAS could furnish no other information on this matter, nor could he relate any other instances of similar writing noted in this mail pouch or other mail items. He said that a duplicate Form 1040 has been mailed to KATINKA A. MALOY, the addressee, and said he consulted the Postal Inspector and Internal Revenue Service, Waterloo, Iowa, who advised him to furnish the above item to the FBI for any assistance it might be in an investigation.

On February 12, 1964, FRED WIGNALL, Acting Director, Western Service Center, Internal Revenue Service, Ogden, Utah, examined the Form 1040 reflecting the above hand printed words. He advised he could place no significance on this writing, except that it apparently was some employee's idea of a joke. He said the Western Service Center had handled mailing of all 1040 Forms to taxpayers west of the Mississippi River, the total tally being 15,163,202. These forms were prepared for mailing on mechanical addressing machines, three of which were used during the period from the first of October to the latter part of December, 1963. These machines were manned on two shifts,

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five days a week, approximately twenty-five people on each shift. He exhibited the addressing machines, which are presently in operation preparing different tax forms for mailing.

It was observed that the forms are received in large cardboard cartons and fed into the machines in stacks of approximately fifty forms. The machine attaches a pre-printed adhesive address slip to the form and they emerge from the machine in a continuous process. They are thereafter gathered into bundles for each town or placed in mailing bags.

The addressed forms are given a very rapid and cursory examination, which Mr. WIGNALL said was only for the purpose of detecting address slips which are not firmly attached or which have been folded over. He said no attempt is made to remove forms to which an address is not attached, as these are later discarded by postal authorities and the operation is too rapid to attempt to examine the forms as they emerge from the machine. He said that marking pens with various ink colors are available throughout the area, which include the addressing machines, and he was unable to suggest any way in which it might be possible to identify the employee who had written on the form in question.

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VI. ALLEGATIONS REGARDING ACQUAINTANCESHIP OF LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND JACK L. RUBY

- A. Investigation Relating to Mrs. BERTHA CHEEK, a Sister of Mrs. EARLENE ROBERTS, the Housekeeper at 1026 North Beckley Street, Dallas, Texas
- B. Allegation Contained in Article in May 17, 1964; Issue of The "National Enquirer" Linking LEE HARVEY OSWALD and JACK L. RUBY
- C. Photograph Allegedly Depicting JACK L. RUBY Among Bystanders During Presidential Motorcade
- D. Allegations Made by EWING E. CLEMONS
- E. Allegation Unknown Bail Bondsman Attempting to Raise Bail for JACK L. RUBY Same Individual Who Accepted Literature from LEE HARVEY OSWALD at New Orleans, Louisiana

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- A. Investigation Relating to Mrs. BERTHA  
CHEEK, a Sister of Mrs. EARLENE ROBERTS,  
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The following information in part supplements information previously set forth on Pages 453 through 462, of the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, dated December 23, 1963, at Dallas, Texas, and on Page 397, of the report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, dated April 15, 1964, at Dallas, Texas, relating to BERTHA CHEEK.

It should be noted that previous investigation has established that Mrs. EARLINE ROBERTS, the housekeeper for Mrs. A. C. JOHNSON, 1026 North Beckley Street, Dallas, Texas, where OSWALD was residing at the time of the assassination, is a sister of Mrs. BERTHA CHEEK.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 9, 1964

JESS LYNCH, painter at the Glen Canyon Dam Project for the Merritt, Chapman and Scott Contractors, Page, Arizona, furnished the following information:

During 1959 or early 1960, LYNCH managed a rooming house at 5212 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, Texas, which was owned by Mrs. BERTHA CHEEK. Mrs. CHEEK's sister, a Mrs. JOHNSON, also helped in running this establishment. From the pictures of Mrs. JOHNSON seen on television, LYNCH believes that she is Mrs. A. C. JOHNSON, renter of the room to LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

Just prior to LYNCH leaving his job as manager of the rooming house, two Cuban males rented a room in the boarding house at 5212 Gaston Avenue for a period of about six weeks. Both Mrs. JOHNSON and Mrs. CHEEK appeared to be quite "friendly" with these two Cubans. LYNCH gave no further description of these two Cubans nor any information relative to their actions or reasons for being in Dallas.

LYNCH indicated both Mrs. JOHNSON and Mrs. CHEEK have received [mental care] in the past, and Mrs. CHEEK also owned the Twin Oaks Apartments in Dallas.

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by SAC E. L. BOYLE :btg Date dictated 4/8/64

Date 4/22/641

Mrs. BERTHA CARDELIA X(VGIR) CHEEK advised she resides at 5901 Hillcrest in Dallas where her telephone number is LA 1-2705.

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She said she had been interviewed by persons from the Advisory Staff of the President's Commission on the assassination of President KENNEDY at Dallas, Texas, on April 14, 1964, and they had requested her to make available records of property which she owned in Dallas during 1958 through 1961 on Gaston Avenue in Dallas, Texas, and for the calendar year 1963 for all property she owned in Dallas, Texas.

She said these records were in storage and she would have them at her residence on April 20, 1964.

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by SA ARTHUR E. CARTER:wm Date dictated 4/20/64

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Mrs. BERTHA CARDELLA (VOGLE) CHEEK, 5901 Hillcrest, Dallas, Texas, advised she formerly resided at 3914 Swiss Avenue, Apartment 2, Dallas, where her telephone number was TA 7-9301. She said she received a notice dated April 7, 1964, from the President's Commission on the assassination of President KENNEDY which advised she would be called to appear before the Advisory Staff of the President's Commission at Dallas, Texas. She said she was called and did appear before the Advisory Staff of the President's Commission on Tuesday, April 14, 1964.

At that time, she was questioned by Mr. GRIFFIN at Dallas concerning her acquaintance with JACK RUBY. Mrs. CHEEK said she reported that she had read RUBY's advertisement in a Dallas newspaper some years ago, exact date not recalled, to the effect that RUBY wanted to sell one-half interest in a club. She said she was unable to recall the name or location of the club. She did recall that RUBY wanted \$12,000 for the deal and she and RUBY could not reach an agreement about it.

She said JACK RUBY contacted her in about November, 1963, to see if she was interested in investing \$6,000 in a private club. Mrs. CHEEK said she met with JACK RUBY who would not name the location of this club so she did not enter into any contract or agreement with him on the deal. She said she has not had any other dealings with JACK RUBY.

Mrs. CHEEK said she told Mr. GRIFFIN she had complete records concerning the renters, boarders, and workers who have rented or worked for her at rooming houses and/or apartments in Dallas, Texas. She said she told Mr. GRIFFIN she would make the records available for the President's Commission if necessary.

Mrs. CHEEK said Mr. GRIFFIN did not examine any of these records. She advised that her sister, EARLENE ROBERTS, was employed as a caretaker by a Mrs. JOHNSON at 1026 N. Beckley in Oak Cliff in Dallas, Texas, in 1963 while LEE HARVEY OSWALD rented a room at that address prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY at Dallas on November 22, 1963. She said she had never known LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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and she knew of no association between LEE HARVEY OSWALD and JACK RUBY.

Mrs. CHEEK said she owned and/or operated the following properties at Dallas, Texas, during the period 1958-1961:

5212, 5302, and 5430 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. CHEEK said the records reflect the names of roomers, boarders, and workers, but they do not indicate the particular address of the individual person with regard to the building or room in which the person resided. She said she owned 5212 Gaston Avenue from 1948 to 1961; 5302 Gaston Avenue from September, 1958, to about 1961, and 5430 Gaston Avenue from 1950 or 1951 to about 1958. Each of these properties was a rooming and boarding house.

Mrs. CHEEK said she owned and/or operated the following properties at Dallas in 1963:

3914 Swiss Avenue (a ten unit apartment building)

3518 Gillespie (a four unit apartment building)

501-11 N. Ewing (Twin Oaks - 32 unit apartments)

708 N. Zangs Boulevard (four unit apartment building)

1206 Hutchins Road (one family dwelling)

1214 Hutchins Road (one family dwelling)

4513 W. University (a duplex dwelling).

She made the records relating to the renters, boarders, and workers that had to do with the foregoing properties available.

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On April 20, 1964, Mrs. BERTHA CARDELIA (VOGLE) CHEEK, 5901 Hillcrest, telephone LA 1-2705, Dallas, Texas, made records available covering name and/or address of her tenants, boarders, and workers for the period 1958-1961 inclusive at properties located at 5212, 5302, and 5430 Gaston Avenue, Dallas, Texas. She also produced the records of all tenants for the year 1963 at properties located at 3518 Gillespie, 1206 Hutchins Road, 1214 Hutchins Road, 3914 Swiss Avenue, 501-11 N. Ewing, 4513 W. University, and 708 N. Zangs Boulevard.

Eight rolls of 35 mm Kodak High Contrast Copy Film were made of the above records. They were numbered from one to eight inclusive and represent the following records:

- Roll No. 1 - Rental records on persons residing, boarding, or working at 5212, 5302, and 5430 Gaston Avenue in 1958.
- Roll No. 2 - A continuation of above records plus miscellaneous records of persons residing, boarding, or working at addresses described in Roll No. 1 (1958).
- Roll No. 3 - A continuation of miscellaneous records to the end of 1958 plus records of renters, boarders, and workers at the Gaston Avenue addresses for the year 1959.
- Roll No. 4 - A continuation of the 1959 records.
- Roll No. 5 - Records for 1959 to end of year.
- Roll No. 6 - 1960 rental records and records of tenants, boarders, and workers at 5212, 5302, and 5430 Gaston Avenue.

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**Roll No. 7 - A continuation of 1960 records to end of year plus records of 1961, entire year, at Gaston Avenue addresses.**

**Roll No. 8 - 1963 rental records on property located at 3518 Gillespie, 1206 Hutchins Road, 1214 Hutchins Road, 3914 Swiss Avenue, 501-11 N. Ewing, 4513 W. University, and 708 N. Zangs Boulevard.**

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B. Allegation Contained in Article in  
May 17, 1964, Issue of The "National  
Enquirer" Linking LEE HARVEY OSWALD  
and JACK L. RUBY

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Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, was contacted and shown an article appearing in the May 17, 1964, issue of the "National Enquirer." This article was captioned "Washington Insiders Rocked By Report of a Fantastic Letter Link Ruby & Oswald Shocked Officials Hear: U. S. Justice Dept. Letter Blocked Their Arrest Seven Months Before JFK Slaying. Washington Insiders Are Talking About a Fantastic Story Calling...Ruby & Oswald Pals." This article was written by JOHN HENSHAW, Enquirer Washington Bureau Chief. This article was datelined Washington. Chief CURRY read this article in its entirety and stated that (1) he and his Department had never heard of LEE HARVEY OSWALD prior to the assassination of President KENNEDY on November 22, 1963; (2) that the Dallas Police Department had conducted a thorough investigation concerning the attempted assassination of Major General EDWIN A. WALKER but that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had never been considered as a suspect. (3) Chief CURRY stated he had no information linking RUBY and LEE HARVEY OSWALD to the plot to assassinate General EDWIN A. WALKER. (4) Chief CURRY very emphatically and categorically stated he had never received or heard of a letter to his Department from the Department of Justice regarding a request not to arrest LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY. (5) He stated he had never been requested by any official of the Federal Bureau of Investigation not to arrest LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY.

Chief CURRY concluded by stating there was absolutely no truth whatsoever in the allegations made in the article and termed them sheer fantasy and a figment of somebody's imagination.

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on 5/7/64 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 100-10461SAC J. GORDON SHANKLIN and  
by Special Agent SA VINCENT E. J. DRAIN:vm Date dictated 5/8/64

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C. Photograph Allegedly Depicting JACK L. RUBY  
Among Bystanders During Presidential Motorcade

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On April 29, 1964, Mr. FELIX PARKER, 10225 Lake Gardens Drive, Dallas 18, Texas, telephone DA 7-3408, who operates a Martinizing dry cleaning establishment, telephonically advised SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING that he had been shown a large photograph, approximately eight by ten, depicting President KENNEDY in his motorcade, and that such picture also depicted bystanders very clearly.

Mr. PARKER stated that the above-described photograph had been exhibited to him by Mrs. WANDA SCHAFER, who operates Hurst Reweaving, 2722 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, Texas. He stated that Mrs. SCHAFER did not state from whom she had received this photograph, and Mr. PARKER states he does not know the actual location reflected in the photograph. Mr. PARKER stated, however, that one of the bystanders depicted in the photograph resembles JACK RUBY.

Mr. PARKER stated that he felt Mrs. SCHAFER would be most happy to make such photograph available for any purpose it might serve in the investigation of the assassination of President KENNEDY, and for this reason was making the above information available.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA's EUGENE F. PETRAKIS and A. RAYMOND SWITZER on May 5, 1964:

Mrs. C. D. (WANDA) SCHAFER, proprietor and sole owner, ~~Hurst Reweaving Shop, 2722 Greenville Avenue, Dallas, Texas, residence 5545 Vickery Boulevard, Dallas,~~ was contacted at her place of business regarding a photograph in her possession allegedly depicting an individual resembling JACK RUBY viewing the Presidential Motorcade. Mrs. SCHAFER exhibited a blown-up black and white photograph, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " by 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ " in size, taken of the Presidential car carrying President JOHN F. KENNEDY and party by a group of spectators. In the upper right-hand corner of this photograph stands an individual wearing a fedora hat, whom Mrs. SCHAFER pointed out resembled to her a photograph she had observed of JACK RUBY.

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~~Mrs. SCHAFER advised that her husband, CHARLES DAVID SCHAFER, is employed as a cutter at the Egan Printing Company on Ross Avenue in Dallas, and that sometime during the middle of December 1963 her husband brought home this blown-up photograph, which he stated he had obtained from an employee of Egan Printing Company.~~

Mrs. SCHAFER was unable to advise who had taken the photograph or the location where the photograph was taken.

Mrs. SCHAFER advised she felt there were numerous other copies of the photograph in her husband's possession which could be obtained at the Egan Printing Company.

Mr. CHARLES DAVID SCHAFER was contacted at his place of employment, Egan Printing Company, 912 Ross Avenue, Dallas, regarding circumstances surrounding his obtaining the photograph depicting the passing Presidential Motorcade. SCHAFER advised a copy of this photograph had been furnished him by a fellow employee, Mr. AARON FOSTER, Foreman of the Cutting Department, at

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Egan Printing Company, and that it was his impression that FOSTER had made a large number of copies of this photograph for the benefit of all the employees who desired a copy.

SCHAFFER was unable to advise who took the original photograph or the location where the photograph was taken.

AARON ~~FOSTER~~, Foreman, Egan Printing Company, advised *O'Brien, L.E. 15* that sometime during the middle of December 1963, an employee at Egan Printing Company, one P. V. BEARDEN, came to work one day with a blown-up copy of a photograph of a portion of the Presidential Motorcade, and that FOSTER borrowed the photograph from BEARDEN and had the Photo Processing Department in the plant reproduce approximately fifty copies of this photograph, to be distributed to fellow employees who desired a copy.

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POSTER stated that BEARDEN told him he had purchased this picture from an unknown Negro male who was selling these photographs on Forest Avenue in Dallas for \$1.00. BEARDEN told POSTER, however, he did not know the identity of this Negro, nor did he know from what location the photograph was taken.

Mr. POSTER made available a copy of his photograph to interviewing Agents.

A review of previous investigation conducted in case captioned "JACK L. RUBY; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, (Deceased) - VICTIM; CIVIL RIGHTS", reveals a like photograph was submitted to the Dallas Office on January 9, 1964, by a Mr. MORRIS ~~WEINKRANTZ~~ of 5508 Forest Lane, Dallas. WEINKRANTZ advised that several days following the assassination of President KENNEDY, he purchased an enlarged photograph of President KENNEDY and the Presidential party from a Negro, identity unknown now, who was selling these photographs on Forest Lane in Dallas. WEINKRANTZ stated the Negro told him the photograph had been taken of President KENNEDY in his automobile as it was turning from Houston onto Elm Street and that JACK RUBY was standing in the background when this photograph was taken. Mr. WEINKRANTZ said the man with the hat, standing in the

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upper right of the photograph behind the man with the camera in his hand, had been pointed out to him as JACK RUBY, and WEINKRANTZ stated he thought this photograph might be of some value to this Bureau.

SA MANNING C. CLEMENTS, who had previously interviewed JACK RUBY over a period of some three and one-half hours on December 21, 1963, viewed the photograph on January 10, 1964, previously submitted by WEINKRANTZ, and advised the photograph does not, in his opinion, include anyone closely resembling JACK RUBY.

A comparison of the photograph submitted by Mr. WEINKRANTZ and the photograph in possession of Mrs. SCHAPER, as well as employees of Egan Printing Company, reveals these photographs are identical in every way and were obviously enlarged from the same negative.

It is further noted that previous investigation as reported in case captioned "JACK L. RUBY; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, (Deceased) - VICTIM; CIVIL RIGHTS", reveals the following employees of the "Dallas Morning News", interviewed December 4, 1963, have asserted that JACK RUBY was present in the advertising office of that newspaper from at least 12:00 Noon to 1:30 P.M., November 22, 1963, and that JACK RUBY could not, therefore, have observed the Presidential Motorcade as it passed the corner of Elm and Houston Streets:

GEORGIA MAYOR, secretary, Advertising Division, "Dallas-Morning News", corner Young and Houston Streets, Dallas (observed RUBY 12:30 P.M., November 22, 1963)

DON J. CAMPBELL, advertising salesman (observed RUBY from 12:00 Noon to 12:25 P.M., November 22, 1963)

BILLIE A. KRAY, advertising salesman (observed RUBY from 12:40 P.M. to 1:30 P.M., November 22, 1963)

*Reviewing Division*