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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63 DALLAS, TEXAS

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The Laredo Times, a daily newspaper, Laredo, Texas, in their November ?7, 1963 afternoon edition, carried an article reflecting that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had purchased approximately \$32.00 worth of clothing at Joe Brand Clothing Store, Laredo, Texas, and that the purchase was verified by Federal investigators through a receipt found among OSWALD's possessions.

Employees of the Joe Brand Clothing Store advised that on November 26, 1963, a person had come into the store and made a purchase of \$6.00 and some cents and gave them a check for \$20.00 and obtained the change. This person was using the name of VINCENT CHRISTI and stated that he was an investigator with the military, assigned to Laredo Air Force Base.

CHRISTI then stated that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had purchased approximately \$40.00 worth of clothing at Joe Brand Clothing Store and he was checking on the matter.

An employee of Joe Brand then checked through the old sales receipts and CHRISTI quickly pointed to one in the amount of \$39.89 and said this was the ticket. There was no name on the ticket and CHRISTI had no additional information such as sales receipt number or name, but merely pointed to the sales receipt in the amount of \$39.89 stating it was the purchase made by OSWALD. This receipt contains no name and is for a purchase made on September 21, 1963, by a person who purchased a jacket for \$19.98; some shirts; two.\$2.50 ties and paid for the purchases with a 500 pesos (Hexican) bill. No employee in the store recalls OSWALD ever making any purchase.

A check at the Laredo Air Force Base for the name of VINCENT W. CHRISTI or any variation of this name was negative.

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A photostatic copy of the check was obtained which shows that the check was drawn on the Union National Bank, Laredo, Texas, and is in process of clearing the bank.

CHRISTI for inpersonation and interstate transportation of stolen property.

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