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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN
FITZGERALD KENNEDY, NOVEMBER
22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS

This will supplement information previously reported wherein information furnished by Bob Smith, owner of Aero-Smith Flying Service, Highland Park Airport, Dallas, Texas, was reported.

On December 9, 1963, Robert L. Thornton, Jr., Senior Vice-President, Mercantile National Bank, Dallas, Texas, related that he was talking to one Bob Smith, owner of Aero-Smith Flying Service, Highland Park Airport, Dallas, Texas, and was merely talking as to how fast news travels concerning the assassination of the President. He stated that after the news came over the radio that the President had been shot, he had heard within an hour that newspapers were calling as far away as Canada wanting information as to whether or not the President had died.

He stated he did not know where he had heard a representative of a newspaper was calling from Canada, and attached no significance to it due to the fact that the whole world was interested in the President's condition. He stated that as far as he knew there was absolutely no significance to what he had heard even though he could not remember his source.

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