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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS

On November 29, 1963, a confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that telephone number <u>OVerland 5-6164</u>, was a Fort Hood, Tirrer Exchange number assigned to <u>Captain THOMAS P. BOWE</u>, JR., Serial Number 05219908, assigned to the Dental Detachment, Fort Hood, Texas, and residing at 5594-1 Large Street, Pershing Park, Fort Hood, Texas, and has been so assigned since March 4, 1963.

The records of the Retail Merchants Association and Credit Bureau of Killeen, Texas, 801 1/2 North Second Street, Killeen, Texas, as made available by on November 29, 1963, reflected THOMAS, P., BOWE, 1909 E. Rancier, Killeen, Texas, and wife LINDA BOWF, have been on record at that Bureau since September 6, 1962, having been opened on an inquiry by the Singer Sewing Machine Company of Temple, Texas. Mr. HOLLINGER stated that his records reflected that THOMAS P. BOWE was assigned to the U.S. Army Dental Detachment at Fort Hood, Texas. He stated their records reflected no further inquiries, trade experience, suits or judgments and no derogatory information. The records of the Identification Bureau, Killeen Police Department, as made available on November 29, 1963, by Lieutenant WILLIAM MANGERICH, Identification Officer, Killeen Police Department, failed to reflect any record concerning THOMAS P. BOWE or LINDA BOWE.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on November 29, 1963, that telephone number MErcury 4-2125 is assigned to the Killeen Daily Herald newspaper, Second and Avenue B, Killeen, Texas.

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Mr. J. C. GRESHAM, Editor and Publisher, <u>Killeen</u> <u>Daily Herald</u> newspaper, Business Offices, Second and Avenue <u>B</u>, Killeen, Texas, advised on November 29, 1963, that the telephone number MErcury 4-2125 was the business telephone for the <u>Killeen Daily Herald</u> newspaper, and that a check of the telephone call log maintained by their office failed to reflect a record of any call having been received or made to Bellaire, Texas. Mr. GRESHAM stated that their records would not record a prepaid call to their office and that such a call received could have been to any of five departments, that of the Advertising Department, Circulation Department, Classified Ad Department, Business Administration Department, Editorial Department and the Press Room and Composing Room Department.

Mr. GRESHAM advised that he would make a general inquiry of the heads of the various departments in an effort to ascertain if any employee would have a recollection of a call eminating from Bellaire, Texas, on October 28, 1963.

Mr. GRESHAM thereafter stated that their Advertising Manager, Mr. RAY TOWNSEND, had recalled the receipt of a telephone call from Bellaire, Texas, approximately one month ago.

Mr. RAY TOWNSEND, Advertising Manager, Killeen Daily Herald newspaper, Second and Avenue B, Killeen, Texas, advised that he recalled receiving a telephone call from Bellaire, Texas, approximately one month ago from an individual by the name of JACK PAYTON, a photographer who called to place an ad relative to a portrait photograph concession that he allegedly had arranged with the Minimax Grocery Store, Killeen, Texas. Mr. TOWNSEND said the ad was to appear in the Wednesday edition of the Killeen Daily Herald and that Mr. PAYTON was to call back at a later date to confirm his obtaining the concession and placing the ad in the Wednesday edition of the paper.

Mr. TOWNSEND stated that he recalled JACK PAYTON has formerly had the concession for portrait photographs at the Minimax Grocery Store operated by Mr. CLEO BAY, and that on this particular call PAYTON was to call Mr. BAY to confirm his concession engagement at the grocery store. Mr. TOWNSEND

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stated that he recalled further that Mr. PAYTON has operated a concession of this type with the Minimax Grocery in Killeen, Texas, on a number of occasions in the past.

Mr. TOWNSEND related that their records reflected a former address for Mr. PAYTON as Post Office Box 3131, Austin, Texas, and that it was his recollection PAYTON formerly operated the Rainbow Studios in Austin, Texas, however, he stated that he is unable to confirm the name of the studio in records of the newspaper.

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on November 29, 1963, that the telephone number WE 9-3408 was assigned on March 29, 1963, to <u>Mr. RONALD/DONNELLY</u> of 631 F. 13th Street, Belton, Texas. The source advised that this number is currently assigned to RONALD DONNELLY and is an operating number 12 current X 1931

Association, Belton, Texas, advised on December 2, 1963, from hen records, that RONALD ELDON/DONNELLY and wife DOLORES DONNELLY, nee NEWBERRY, of 631 E. 13th Street, have been on record with that Bureau since September 1959 and last brought up to date on November 15, 1963. Advised that RONALD ELDON/DONNELLY is 24 years of age and employed by the Johnson Insultion Company at Belton, Texas, and has been so employed as a salesman since March 1963 with an income of \$95.00 per week plus commission. She stated her records reflected DONNELLY was previously employed with the Eltonian Theater, Belton, Texas, approximately four to five years ago, and that/OF November 1963 DONNELLY was a member of the Texas National Guard.

reflected a satisfactory credit record

She stated that the record for DONNELLY further reflected previous address of P. O. Box 536, Belton, Texas, in September 1959, of 812 Townsend Street, Belton, Texas as of November, 1960, and 125 Circle Drive, Belton, Texas, as of March 28, 1963. She advised that her records

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fail to reflect any records of suits, judgments or derogatory information concerning DONNELLY.

The records of the Bell County Sheriff's Office and Belton, Police Department, as checked on December 2, 1963, proved negative for any record concerning RONALD ELDON DONNELLY and DOLORES DONNELLY.

The records of the Identification Bureau of the Killeen Police Department as checked on November 29, 1963, relative to JACK N. PAYTON proved negative for any record of this individual.

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