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

The 11/23/63 issue of "The Shreveport Journal", Shreveport-Bossier City, Louisiana, on page A 3 contains a short article captioned, "Local Man Near Kennedy's Car At Time of Shooting." This article indicates in part that M. Lee Mudd of Spring Ridge Road, was in Dallas at the time President Kennedy was assassinated and was standing approximately 25 feet in front of the car at the time of the shooting.

It is indicated Mudd was in Dallas on a business trip and had taken time out to watch the parade. He is quoted, "I heard two reports that sounded like firecrackers."

Based on information available to the Bureau it does not appear Mudd has been interviewed by Bureau Agents in connection with the assassination. If not already done, Mudd should be located and interviewed regarding his observations and the results furnished to the Bureau and Dallas in insert form. Should he furnish any information of particular significance, this should be brought to the attention of the Bureau immediately.

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NOTE: Above detected through review of large number of newspaper items accumulated since the assassination. Check of assassination indices as well as Bureau indices fail to reflect any information identifiable with Mudd in view of the allegation, Mudd was in close proximity to the President when he was assassinated, and his statement has received publicity, it is felt we have the responsibility of locating and interviewing him for the record.

- Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Belmont \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
- Callahan \_\_\_\_\_
- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Evans \_\_\_\_\_
- Gale \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Holmes \_\_\_\_\_
- Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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