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TO DIRECTOR (62-109060) AND DALLAS (89-43)
FROM NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY
DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.
MISC. - INFO CONCERNING. OO: DALLAS.

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RE NO TEL FEBRUARY EIGHT SIXTYNINE.

ACCORDING TO THE RED-FLASH EDITION OF THE NEW ORLEANS
STATES-ITEM NEWSPAPER FOR FEBRUARY EIGHT NINETEEN SIXTYNINE
WHICH IS THE AFTERNOON NEWSPAPER EDITION THE TRIAL OF CLAY
L. SHAW CONTINUED ON THE MORNING OF FEB. EIGHT INSTANT.

THIS ARTICLE CONTAINED THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

THE DEFENSE CONTINUED TO CROSS-EXAMIN CHARLES I. SPIESEL
AND IN RESPONSE TO QUESTIONING SPIESEL TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

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SPIESEL TESTIFIED THAT HE HAD FILED A COPY OF A SIXTEEN
MILLION DOLLAR LAW SUIT AGAINST THE PINKERTON DETECTIVE AGENCY,
CHARGING THE COMPANY USED "HYPNOSIS AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE"
TO FORCE HIM OUT OF BUSINESS. SPIESEL TESTIFIED THAT BETWEEN
THE PERIOD OF NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT AND NINETEEN SIXTYFOUR UNKNOWN
PERSONS TRIED TIME AND AGAIN TO HYPNOTIZE HIM AND THAT ON THESE
OCCASIONS THIS ACTIVITY TOOK PLACE IN NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY AND
DURING SEVERAL VISITS TO NEW ORLEANS.

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SPIESEL TESTIFIED HE WAS NOT ALWAYS AWARE OF WHO HAD ATTEMPTED TO HYPNOTIZE HIM. HE TESTIFIED THAT WHEN HYPNOSIS TAKES PLACE "THEY PLANT CERTAIN THOUGHTS IN YOUR MIND AND YOU ARE GIVEN THE ILLUSION THEY ARE TRUE." HE TESTIFIED THAT AFTER YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS HE TALKED WITH CASUAL ACQUAINTANCES WHOSE NAMES HE DID NOT KNOW.

SPIESEL TESTIFIED THAT HE DID NOT KNOW IF HE HAD BEEN HYPNOTIZED IN NEW ORLEANS IN MAY OR JUNE SIXTYTHREE BUT THAT HE HAS BEEN COMING TO NEW ORLEANS SINCE NINETEEN SIXTYONE.

THE DEFENSE CONTINUED TO QUESTION SPIESEL REGARDING THIS HYPNOTIZM DURING CROSS-EXAMINATION.

DURING THE MORNING SESSION JUDGE HAGGERTY, JR. ORDERED THE ENTIRE PERSONNEL OF THE TRIAL PRESENT INCLUDING ATTORNEYS, JURORS, WITNESSES AND THE DEFENDANT INTO THE FRENCH QUARTER AREA OF NEW ORLEANS TO LOOK FOR THE BUILDING WHERE SPIESEL HAD PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED AS ATTENDING A PARTY AT WHICH HE CLAIMED HE HEARD SHAW DISCUSSING THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

NO LHM FOLLOWS.

NEW ORLEANS INDICES CONTAIN NO INFO IDENTIFIABLE WITH SPIESEL.

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