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JACK L. RUBY, aka; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka (Deceased) - VICTIM CR OO: Dallas

On 1/28/64, SA ALFRED D. NEELEY obtained from RAY ZAUBER, Editor and Publisher, Oak Cliff Tribune, a bi-weekly newspaper, copies of the paper from 11/21/63 through 1/27/64. ZAUBER was contacted on the basis (1) he had been subpoensed as a defense witness in connection with the recent bond hearing and (2) DENSON, a private investigator for RUBY's attorneys, had previously informed the attorneys were concerned with some articles in ZAUBER's paper purportedly written by a "ranking law enforcement official" and considered "inflammatory" by them.

ZAUBER told SA NEELEY he had no doubt been subpoensed in view of a defense effort to get a change of venue on the basis RUBY could not get a fair trial in Dallas County. ZAUBER was never called to the stand during the hearing.

Examination of the newspaper discloses a regular column by ZAUBER called the "Scratch Pad" and that ZAUBER had concerned himself with the assassination of President KENNEDY and the shooting of OSWALD in this column. In addition, the paper includes fifteen "chapters" of a series of articles. It was observed that "Chapter 1" of the series states in the nature of a foreword that the article was submitted by a "prominent law enforcement official in Dallas as a matter of chronological information to the Tribune". Cortain of the subsequent "Chapters" likewise give credit to the law enforcement official.

ZAUDER, when queried by SA NEELEY, logically stated he had personally written the articles in question although saying he "had help" and inferred his principal source of contact and presumably his "help" has been Captain FRITZ, Dallas PoliceDepartment, whom hos known and admired for many years (ZAUDER was formerly a Police reporter on a Dallas of daily 10-1046 the same conversation, AUBER

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the articles, said in substance "I've got to sell newspapers".

Examination of the articles indicates ZAUBER, while factual on bare essentials, raises numerous questions, often set forth in question form so phrased as to infer to the reader that ZAUBER perhaps has information to support a particular theory. His articles infer the existence of a Communist conspiracy, the linking of OSWALD with RUBY, attempted suppression of full facts by public officials, good treatment of OSWALD by the "liberal press", suppression of "conservatives" or "right wing" element, etc.

The writer finds no basis for investigative leads from examination of the articles in question.