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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (62-109060)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (62-6115) (P)
SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS,
11/22/63
(OO: DALLAS)

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Re Bureau airtel to Dallas, Chicago and WFO, 9/25/74.

The Bureau's attention is directed to Chicago report of SA LEO E. PEDROTTY, dated 12/2/63, entitled "LEE HARVEY OSWALD, IS-R, OO: DALLAS, CG 62-6115." On 11/26/63, MAURICE G. MARTINEAU, Supervising Agent, Secret Service Division, Chicago, was interviewed and he advised that his office had verified on the day of President KENNEDY's assassination (11/22/63), through source, that THOMAS ARTHUR VALLEE was employed at his place of business during the entire day. He added that VALLEE was employed as a photo lithographer at IPP Printing Company, 625 West Jackson, Chicago, Illinois. In fact, it was ascertained that VALLEE at that time and prior thereto was working both days and nights rather diligently.

Re article which appeared in the 3/15-21/74, edition of "Berkeley Barb", it is noted that in the same FD-302 on the interview of MARTINEAU it is recorded that about three days prior to 11/2/63, the Secret Service Office, Chicago, received information that THOMAS VALLEE, 4614 North Paulina, Chicago, was in possession of large amount of rifle ammunition, along with a collection of guns. In view of the fact that President KENNEDY was due into Chicago for the Army-Air Force Game to be held at Soldiers Field, Chicago, 11/2/63, Secret Service Agents

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conducted a pretext interview of VALLEE on 10/30/63, and noted that he had two M-1 Rifles in his possession, along with .22 Caliber revolver and an estimated 1,000 rounds in miscellaneous ammunition.

Secret Service notified officers of the Chicago PD after the pretext interview and a 24 hour surveillance was placed on VALLEE and his activities by the Chicago PD. On 11/2/63, officers arrested VALLEE on technical traffic violation and found in his possession a knife and the officers charged him with an "assault with a deadly weapon" charge. Also found in the trunk of his vehicle were 300 rounds of ammunition. They subsequently searched his home, 4614 North Paulina, and found additional ammunition.

This appears to be in opposition to the statement in the article that "The fix was in and Vallee was accused of illegal possession of a knife rather than a rifle".

The article also says "notice how Vallee's picture is missing" (from the Chicago PD Arrest Records) and the reproduced Chicago PD Identification Sheet has an editorial note that the picture that had been in this place and PD copy had been removed. The Chicago PD does not place a picture on the Identification Sheet and the picture taken on 11/2/63, was obtained from the PD file and copies were sent to the Bureau on 9/24/74.

In view of the above, no further investigation is being conducted by the Chicago Division re VALLEE at this time UACB.