

SS-Threats of Nov

JFK Dallas Trip

Rough Notes (Source: Douglass "JFK and the Unspeakable")

Notes for Chicago attempt

Marvin Gheesling turns off FLASH on Oswald on October 9, 1963, for no apparent reason. Effect was to keep him off the FBI's Security Index. Pp. 177-178. This act lifted Oswald's security watch otherwise FBI would have had him on SI in light on JFK's Dallas trip. P. 178

Was Gheesling censured in the Gail Report? Check

Douglass' treatment of the Thomas Arthur Vallee episode in Chicago on November 2, 1963.

The Secret Service was alerted that there were four gunmen in Chicago who were suspects in a Kennedy assassination plot.

In addition there was also another tip that an ex-Marine was a threat tp the president. Vallee was described as a loner, paranoid schizoid, and a gun collector. The SS broke into his room and found an M-1 rifle, a carbine rifle and 2,500 rounds of ammo. Chicago police were asked to round him up. He was arrested by the Chicago police on November 2nd before JFK was scheduled to arrive in Chicago.

The JFK Chicago trip was cancelled. Official story was the assassination of Diem and his brother in Vietnam was the reason Kennedy cancelled the trip.

Interesting parallels: Vallee was an ex-Marine.

While in the Corps he was stationed at a U-2 base in Japan, Camp Otsu.

After leaving the Marines he worked for the CIA at a camp in Levittown, Long Island, helping to train anti-Castro Cubans to assassinate Castro. (He told this to Edwin Black).

In Chicago Vallee worked for a printing company in a building on Jackson Ave. that overlooked the route JFK would have traveled had to attended the Air Force-Army football game at Soldiers Field.

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November 18 the Tampa Plot.

On November 9 the Miami police were informed by a informant, Willie Sommersett, that he had heard about a plot to kill JFK when he was scheduled to appear in Tampa. The

plot to take his life was to be carried out by snipers in tall buildings overlooking the motorcade route.

Miami police told the Secret Service and the FBI. Note that the FBI knew Sommersett. He had been an FBI paid informant for years before he was dropped from the program. But the Bureau still welcomed any info Sommersett brought to them. . . .

The source of this assassination plot was a J.A. Milteer. An extreme rightwing wingnut who was a member of some of the most violent and dangerous lunatic groups in the country.

Congress of Freedom. In their meetings they spoke openly of public figures that needed to be assassinated.

Sommersett knew Milteer and had convinced him that his politics were equally as extreme. Sommersett conversation with Milteer on November 9th was recorded on a hidden wire that Milteer did not suspect.

Sommersett turned the tape over to the Miami police who made copied available to the SS and the FBI.

As a result of this disclosure the open car motorcade was cancelled. JFK went to his speaking engagement.

William S. Walter

He worked as a Security Patrol Clerk in the FBI's New Orleans office. on the evening of November 17, 1963, Walter was on duty at the FBI office when he received a teletype reporting that there would be an assassination attempt on Kennedy when he was in Texas.

Walter claims to have reported this message to the New Orleans SAC, Harry Maynor, who did nothing about the revelation.