

DALLAS DENIES F.B.I. ASKED FOR COVER-UP

DALLAS, Oct. 14 (UPI)—
J. Gordon Shanklin, head of the
Dallas office of the Federal
Bureau of Investigation, made
public today a letter from Police
Chief Jesse Curry denying that
the bureau had ever asked Mr.
Curry to "cover up" the fact
that it knew Lee Harvey Oswald
was in Dallas before the assas-
sination of President Kennedy.
Mr. Shanklin wrote Chief
Curry on Oct. 13:

"Based upon a letter, which
you are quoted by news services
as writing to the President's
Commission in May, 1964, cer-
tain members of the news
media are indicating that I am
supposed to have asked you to
cover up the fact that the
F.B.I. knew Lee Harvey Oswald
was in Dallas, Tex., prior to the
assassination of President Ken-
nedy. I will appreciate your
clarifying this matter."

"You will recall that on the
occasion of my call to you on
Nov. 23, 1963, I specifically
asked that you retract your
statements that the F.B.I. had
interviewed Oswald in Dallas
and that the F.B.I. had Oswald
under surveillance in Dallas. I
asked this retraction because
the F.B.I. did not have Oswald
under surveillance; nor did we
interview him in Dallas. At no
time did I ask you to 'cover up'
for the F.B.I. or otherwise
change your statement."

Mr. Curry's reply, as made
public by Mr. Shanklin, said:

"Neither you nor anyone con-
nected with the Federal Bureau
of Investigation ever asked me
to 'cover up' the fact that the
F.B.I. knew Lee Harvey Oswald
was in Dallas, Tex., prior to the
assassination of President Ken-
nedy."

"This is in reply to your let-
ter of Oct. 13, 1964."

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