

1Other individuals and Organizations
Involved: Interviewed December 3, 1963

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KEN MEDDERS, Manager of the Sun Valley Duster Company, San Benito, Texas, was interviewed in an effort to identify the unknown duster pilot who is alleged to have told KENNETH SHAND of Harlingen, Texas, in May, 1963, that President KENNEDY would be shot should he visit Texas. This unknown subject is further alleged to have told SHAND that he was a member of an organization known as the Minute Men.

MEDDERS could not identify the unknown source of SHAND's allegation but said that the description of the person offered by SHAND seemed to fit a duster pilot named CHUCK ROGERS. MEDDERS said that ROGERS had not been in the Harlingen area since 1957 and he had no idea where ROGERS could be found. ROGERS worked for MEDDERS in 1954 and part of 1955 dusting crops in the Republic of Nicaragua. MEDDERS described ROGERS as being unstable, untrustworthy, nervous to the point of having seizures, that he was an alcoholic and was too rough on the Company's equipment. MEDDERS said that in Nicaragua pilots were allowed to carry side arms and that ROGERS went armed with a pistol. ROGERS was deported from Nicaragua for taking some shots with his pistol at personnel around a local airport.

Harlan B. OLSEN
MEDDERS stated that he had formerly known a duster pilot named B. OLSEN who fit the general physical description of SHAND's source. MEDDERS said that OLSEN was even more unstable than ROGERS and had not worked in the Harlingen area for several years. MEDDERS stated that OLSEN was in an advanced state of alcoholism, that he lived around Wichita Falls, Texas, and that about six months ago he heard that OLSEN was working in Oklahoma.

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CLYDE ELLIOTT, Elliott Aviation Company, Harlingen, Texas, was interviewed in an effort to identify the alleged source of information given to KENNETH SHAND of Harlingen to the effect that he was a duster pilot and that President KENNEDY would be shot if he paid a visit to Texas.

ELLIOTT who knows most of the crop duster pilots operating in Texas could not think of anyone who had been in Harlingen, Texas, in about May, 1963, who could have been SHAND's source. He added that from the physical description of the source given by SHAND that the source could have been CHUCK ROGERS or HAROLD B. OLSEN. ELLIOTT added that ROGERS was last in the Harlingen area in 1957 looking for a job and that he had not been back since. ELLIOTT remarked that OLSEN had not been in the Harlingen area for several years and that OLSEN was in an advanced state of alcoholism and lived in the Wichita Falls area of Texas. ELLIOTT said that he had heard that OLSEN had been in Oklahoma trying to work during the summer of 1963.

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