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ASSASSINATION 3/14 DA13

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1ST ADD NIGHT LD ASSASSINATION 215A XXX ASSASSINATION PROBE.

SHAW'S LAWYERS OBJECTED TO THE TESTIMONY ON THE GROUNDS IT WAS ALL HEARSAY.

WHEN THE OBJECTIONS WERE TURNED DOWN, DEFENSE ATTORNEY WILLIAM WEGMANN SAID:

"THE COURT IS SAYING THE PRELIMINARY HEARING MAY BE USED BY THE STATE FOR GOING ON A FISHING EXPEDITION."

RUSSO TESTIFIED:

--THAT HE ATTENDED A PARTY IN FERRIE'S APARTMENT AT WHICH EIGHT OR 10 PEOPLE WERE DRINKING AND TALKING. THE GROUP FINALLY NARROWED DOWN TO FOUR, HE SAID, INCLUDING RUSSO, FERRIE, OSWALD, AND "CLEM BERTRAND." HE POINTED OUT SHAW AS "BERTRAND" AND THEN, AT GARRISON'S REQUEST, WALKED OVER TO HIM IN THE COURTROOM AND HELD HIS HAND OVER SHAW'S HEAD.

--THAT FERRIE TOLD SHAW AND OSWALD THAT AN ATTEMPT ON THE PRESIDENT'S LIFE SHOULD INVOLVE TWO OR THREE PERSONS, ONE OR TWO OF THEM TO CREATE A DIVERSION, AND THE THIRD "A GOOD SHOT."

--THAT ONE OF THE ASSASSINS WOULD HAVE TO BE SACRIFICED AND THE OTHERS SHOULD BE "IN THE PUBLIC EYE" ON THE DAY OF THE ASSASSINATION. RUSSO SAID FERRIE TOLD THE OTHERS HE WOULD BE AT SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA COLLEGE AT HAMMOND, LA. RUSSO SAID SHAW SAID HE WOULD GO TO THE WEST COAST ON BUSINESS.