

Mma

17 June 1964

A137

New York, June 17 (AP)- The FBI offered its protection against "threats from Russia" to Mrs. Lee Harvey Oswald three weeks before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, according to an article in Redbook Magazine which goes on sale tomorrow.

The magazine said an FBI agent called on Mrs. Oswald on Nov. 1 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Paine in Irving, a suburb of Dallas where Mrs. Oswald was staying with her two children.

Jessamyn West, author of the article, quoted Mrs. Paine as saying the FBI agent told Mrs. Oswald "she could appeal to them for help if she received blackmail threats from Russia."

"I learned later that the FBI routinely offers protection of this sort to emigres from iron curtain countries about a year after they have come to America," Mrs. Paine was quoted as saying.

Mrs. Oswald, a Russian, had married Oswald in that country.

The FBI agent also asked for Oswald's working and home addresses, Mrs. Paine's account said. They told him he was working at the Texas School Book Depository on Elm Street, but that he had not told them his home address. Oswald was staying in a room in Dallas and visited his family occasionally, the article stated.

Although they knew the phone number of Oswald's rooming house, they did not volunteer it to the agent.

The article said Mrs. Paine explained that she "took it for granted that the FBI knew all about him and should know all about him, and that Lee, having to try to renounce his citizenship, would have to expect and to live with the FBI checking the rest of his life."

"It didn't occur to me that the telephone number would help them," Mrs. Paine is quoted as saying.

"I wish now it had. Frankly, I thought they must know where he was staying. After the FBI visit I gave Lee the FBI man's name and phone number so that Lee could get in touch with ~~him~~ them.

"He told me he had tried to do so, but it was not until weeks

after the assassination that I found out from the FBI that he had ~~xx~~
lied about this also."

ks848ped