

## SECRET SERVICE IS REORGANIZED

Changes Result From Study  
by Warren Commission—  
Dallas Hero Is Promoted

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The Treasury Department announced today a reorganization of the top echelon of the Secret Service, one of whose main duties is to safeguard the President of the United States.

James J. Rowley will continue to head the service. Rufus Youngblood, the agent who pushed Vice President Johnson to the floor of his car in the Dallas motorcade when President Kennedy was shot on Nov. 22, 1963, will be one of four new assistant directors.

The reorganization is a direct result of the Warren Commission's investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy. The commission found several deficiencies in the service—notably lack of manpower and obsolete methods of gathering intelligence on potential threats to the President.

### Recruiting Pressed

Shortly afterward President Johnson appointed a high-level committee, headed by Douglas Dillon, who was then Secretary of the Treasury, to recommend improvements.

In the last 18 months, partly on its own initiative and partly as a result of the Dillon group's suggestions, the service has greatly stepped up recruiting, improved its operations and modernized some of its investigative techniques.

These improvements, in turn, persuaded officials that the service's administrative machinery would have to be over-

hauled as well, partly to cope with the increase in manpower and partly to achieve a more logical division of labor at the top ranks of the department.

### New Assignment

Mr. Youngblood will become assistant director for protection forces, including the White House detail as well as smaller contingents assigned to the Vice President, former Presidents and Mrs. John F. Kennedy and her children.

Mr. Youngblood's successor as head of the White House detail will be his present top assistant, Thomas L. Johns.

Named assistant director for investigations was Thomas J. Kelley, now an inspector in the service. He will oversee the agency's continuing drive against counterfeiting and forgery, which still remain the service's principal responsibility.

The Treasury Department also announced that Walter H. Young, now special agent in charge of the service's protective research section, would become assistant director for protective intelligence.

His main responsibility, and that of his division, will be to gather and codify all information involving threats to the President and others protected by the service.

### Fourth Post Unfilled

The fourth new post, that of assistant director for administration, has not yet been filled. This division will have primary responsibility for the hiring and training of agents and for general personnel problems and budgetary matters.

The face of the service has changed considerably since the assassination of President Kennedy. Total appropriations for the fiscal year 1966, which began last July 1, were \$12,105,000, roughly a third larger than the service's budget two years ago.

By next year the service hopes to have 920 men on its

rolls, of whom over 600 will be agents. At the time of the assassination it had about 600 employees, 400 of them agents.

In addition, according to a high treasury source, the service has gone "very far" toward replacing its manual filing systems with automatic data processing equipment. Also, the protective research division has been substantially enlarged, although officials would not reveal by how much.

At the time of the assassination, only 12 specialists and 3 clerks were engaged in protective research, and the section was sharply criticized by the Warren Commission for lacking skilled personnel and modern equipment.

Finally, as recruiting has increased, so has the demand for instructors and other training personnel.

Officials pointed out that under the old administrative system Mr. Rowley was served by only two principal assistants. One was a deputy chief, in charge of investigation and enforcement, in the area of counterfeiting and forgery. The other was an assistant chief for security, both protective research and protective forces.

Officials said that because of the changes in the service's size and scope, one man could no longer cope with both intelligence and protection. Accordingly these two responsibilities will now be divided between Mr. Young and Mr. Youngblood.

The Treasury Department said the change would not affect the number of agents regularly employed on the White House detail.

In addition to the four new assistant directors, the reorganization provides for two assistants to the director and a counsel. The new assistant to the director for inspection and audit is Jackson N. Krill, now the service's chief inspector. The new assistant to the director for information and liaison is Burrell I. Peterson, now an inspector. The counsel is Robert O. Goff.