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FIRST ADD NIGHT LEAD DA-KENNEDY (ORIGINAL A30) X X X ARE INTERESTING.

IN ANOTHER DEVELOPMENT, DAVID WILLIAM FERRIE, PART-TIME PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR AND OPERATOR OF A LOCAL FLYING SERVICE, TOLD THE STATES-ITEM THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE INFORMED HIM IT HAD "POSITIVELY UNCOVERED A PLOT IN NEW ORLEANS TO ASSASSINATE KENNEDY."

FERRIE WAS INTERROGATED INTENSELY BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN 1963 AND ALSO TALKED WITH THE FBI AND THE SECRET SERVICE, THE NEWSPAPER SAID IN A COPYRIGHTED STORY.

THE GARRISON INVESTIGATION, THE NEWSPAPER SAID, IS CENTERED ABOUT A POSSIBLE ASSASSINATION PLOT INVOLVING A PERSON OR PERSONS IN ADDITION TO LEE HARVEY OSWALD. THE WARREN COMMISSION IDENTIFIED OSWALD AS THE ASSASSIN AND SAID IT FOUND NO EVIDENCE OF A PLOT.

THE STATES-ITEM SAID GARRISON AND HIS ASSISTANTS WERE IN MIAMI IN JANUARY HUNTING FOR THE CUBAN MAN. THE MAN NOW IS BELIEVED TO HAVE FLED TO CUBA, PUERTO RICO OR POSSIBLY THE BAHAMAS, THE ARTICLE SAID.

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"THE INVESTIGATORS WHO SEARCHED MIAMI INSIDE AND OUT FOR THE CUBAN WERE FLASHING HIS PICTURE, TAKEN ON A NEW ORLEANS STREET WHILE HE WAS DISTRIBUTING 'FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA' PAMPHLETS WITH OSWALD," THE STATES-ITEM SAID.

THE PICTURE WAS TAKEN WITH TELEPHOTO PENS AND BLOWN UP WITH CARE, RENDERED GOOD DETAIL OF THE MAN WITH OSWALD, THE NEWSPAPER SAID. OSWALD LIVED IN NEW ORLEANS THE SUMMER BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION.

FERRIE WAS QUOTED AS SAYING HE WAS SERVED WITH A SUBPOENA RECENTLY TO APPEAR BEFORE THE ORLEANS PARISH GRAND JURY. WHEN HE REPORTED, HOWEVER, HE WAS TOLD THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WANTED TO SEE HIM.

FERRIE SAID HE WAS ASKED TO MAKE A FULL ACCOUNTING OF HIS ACTIVITIES THE WEEK KENNEDY WAS KILLED. HE SAID HE COULDN'T REMEMBER AND ASKED TO LOOK AT A COPY OF A STATEMENT HE GAVE THE FBI IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ASSASSINATION.

HE TOLD THE STATES-ITEM THAT WAS THE LAST HE HEARD OF THE MATTER UNTIL HIS FRIENDS BEGAN TELLING HIM THEY WERE BEING QUESTIONED ABOUT HIM.

FERRIE, WHO ALSO IS A PILOT, SAID HE AND TWO FRIENDS FLEW TO TEXAS LATE IN THE DAY OF NOV. 23--THE DAY OF THE ASSASSINATION--ON A VACATION.

"WE WENT TO HOUSTON, GALVETON AND THEN BACK TO ALEXANDRIA, LA.,"  
THE NEWSPAPER QUOTED FERRIE AS SAYING.

FERRIE SAID HE NEVER KNEW OSWALD.

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