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Dallas Cop's Testimony

Was FBI Aware Of Oswald Threat?

Dallas

Dallas Police Lieutenant Jack Revill confirmed yesterday that he reported to his superiors on November 22 that an FBI agent had said of Lee Harvey Oswald: "We knew he was capable of assassinating the President."

eRvill said he heard the comment from Dallas FBI special agent James (Joe) Hosty in the Dallas Police Department shortly after President John F. Kennedy has been assassinated.

Another police officer was present when the remark was made, Revill repeated yesterday in a telephone call from Sacramento, Calif., where he was attending a law enforcement conference.

"FALSE"

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said in Washington: "This is absolutely false. The agent made no such statement and the FBI dis not have such knowledge."

The first report of the FBI agent's alleged statement was published yesterday morning in the Dallas News. The paper quoted a source close to the Warren Commission as saying the Commission had such testimony from Dallas police.

Revill, who heads the Dallas police criminal intelligence section appeared before the Commission several weeks ago.

The Dallas News reported that Dallas Police Chief Curry "was said to have given the Commission a photostatic copy of Lt. Revill's five-paragraph memo."

MEMORANDUM

Revill said in Sacramento yesterday that he had submitted a memorandum to Curry after he heard the statement.

Of agent Hosty, Revill said:

"He was excited, everyone

was excited, and he probably said some things he shouldn't have."

The Dallas Times Herals daid agent Hosty's name appeared in a notebook found in Oswald's possession. The paper said Hosty had called at the home of Ruth Paine in suburban Irving, where Oswald's wife was living, seeking information about Oswald.

Apparently Mrs. Paine informed Oswald of the visit and Hosty's name, the paper said.

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