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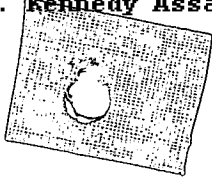
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WEEKLY SUMMARY

Information was reported in Miami airtel of 7/13/62, as coming from MM 509-C that WILLIAM GUSTAV BISCHOFF (Miami file 92-89), JOSEPH MASSEI (Miami file 92-122), GEORGE GORDON (Miami file 92-458), and possibly MAX EDER (Miami file 92-467) and PASQUALE ERRA (Miami file 92-648) would, in the near future, have some interest in a gambling casino presently being constructed on one of the islands in the Caribbean area.

MM 509-C on 7/24/62, advised he received information that the island in the Caribbean area is the Grand Bahama Island and is on the property acquired last year by LOU CHESLER, a millionaire and close associate of MICHAEL COPPOLA (Miami file 92-101). He also advised he heard EDER and ERRA will have a piece of the gambling casino and that the casino hopes to open sometime after Labor Day or during the coming winter season.

Information was reported in Miami airtel of 7/27/62, as coming from MM 509-C, that ANTHONY SALERNO (Miami file 92-406) and MANNY KRAMER, an accountant, were discussing the

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acquisition of some interest in either a dog track or some gambling operation at Biloxi, Miss.

MM 509-C on 8/1/62, advised he received information that SALERNO and KRAMER were not interested in acquiring any interest in a gambling operation at Biloxi, Miss., but had acquired a 10% interest in a dog track there and that RUBY LAZARUS, a gambler at Miami Beach, Fla., had acquired a piece of SALERNO's interest.

On 7/24/62, MM 509-C advised the "smart money," meaning hoodlum and racket money here, is being bet on SONNY LISTON in the forthcoming PATTERSON-LISTON prize fight and that SALERNO and LAZARUS, as well as AL ROTH (Miami file 162-36), each bet somewhere over a thousand dollars each on LISTON.

~~FIA~~ FRANK MICHAEL ~~ERRA~~, brother of PASQUALE ERRA, was released in 1960 from U.S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kan., after serving a sentence for violation of the Narcotics Law. ~~FRANK ERRA~~ has been residing at the Johnina Hotel, Miami Beach.

MM 551-C on 7/30/62, advised that ~~JACK COOPER~~, owner of the West Flagler Dog Track, Miami, wanted to sell his interest in the track. He stated MEYER LANSKY (Miami file 92-102) asked him to contact GEORGE MORTON ~~LEVY~~, a multimillionaire with varied interests, including Yonkers Race Way, a large New York trotting track. LEVY was interested, so a meeting relative to same was held which was attended by COOPER, ~~GEORGE SIMON~~, his accountant, LEVY, ~~AL WEILL~~, his chief aid, ~~JOE VARON~~, LANSKY's attorney, and LANSKY. Informant said LANSKY had no personal interest in