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DALLAS DIVISION  
WEEKLY SUMMARY

Re Dallas airtel 12/26/61.

Re: GAMBLING ACTIVITIES  
DALLAS DIVISION (DL 162-1)

On 12/27/61, the activities of the 19 gamblers arrested 12/20/61 by the Dallas PD Special Service Bureau on felony gambling charges were discussed with Lt. JACK REVILL, Lt. FRANK CORNWALD and Det. JACKIE BRYAN of the Dallas PD.

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his chances of winning money were also small unless the final score ended up between the two point spreads. HEIFNER identified the man to whom he layed off all his bets as FRANK BAKER, 2129 Diane Street, Mesquite, telephone AT 5-1651. HEIFNER stated he got the "line" on football games every Monday morning from BAKER but did not know the identity of BAKER's source for the line. He also stated he payed off or collected from BAKER every Monday morning at Pat's Pool Hall, 604 Commerce Street, Dallas. HEIFNER identified two other "scalp bettors" such as himself as B. H. SIDES, 5926 Belmont and NAILOR HANSON, phone WH 6-2631, Dallas. He stated HANSON got the line on games from BOBBY JOE CHAPMAN (DL 162-107).

HEIFNER stated that the "big king pin" in Dallas gambling was JOHN ELI STONE (DL 162-37) with SHERMAN LITTLE (DL 162-129) as a close second. HEIFNER was of the opinion that STONE was the person who obtained the line on football games and would thereafter distribute it to other gamblers from whom the small-time bookies obtained it. He identified these other gamblers as such persons as CHAPMAN, HARRY URBAN, and FRANK BAKER. HEIFNER said STONE and LITTLE were known among gamblers as "the big watermen". The second line of gamblers who dealt with STONE and LITTLE were known as the "top water little fish" and small time bookies such as himself and many of those arrested by the PD on 12/20/61 as "little minnows".

On 12/21/61, DL-95-C advised that immediately following the raids by the FD, SHERMAN LITTLE had left town in order to avoid any arrest, not knowing that the PD did not have a case against him. On 12/28/61 he stated LITTLE was returning to Dallas and would continue his financing of gambling operations at the Red Men Club in Dallas. CI also advised he had recently contacted JOHN ELI STONE's close associate ISADORE MILLER (DL 162-96) and MILLER was aware of the FBI interviewing some of MILLER's and STONE's customers. MILLER, according to CI, appeared to be very upset over this and was especially concerned in that IRS was probably investigating his activities.

On 12/29/61, Capt. BOB CROWDER, Texas Rangers, Dallas, advised he had information from a reliable source that STONE, following his recent arrest in Irving, Texas, was contacting his "customers" and coaching them on what they should say if they were interviewed by the FBI. Capt. CROWDER stated he had been unable to ascertain STONE's new location for bookmaking operations.

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On 12/29/61 a request was placed with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co., Dallas, for a list of toll calls charged to the phones being utilized by all of the above gamblers.

All of the above information obtained from DL-95-C, HEIFNER and Capt. CROWDER was furnished to Lt. REVILL, Lt. CORNWALD and Dep. BOB MORGAN on 12/29/61. The information obtained from DL-94-C and HEIFNER was also furnished to Capt. CROWDER on 12/29/61.

LEONARD DORSETT, Patrolman, Ft. Worth PD, advised SA JOSEPH M. MYERS on 12/26/61 that he learned that 3 places in Fort Worth were supposed to have been raided on 12/19/61 by Texas Rangers G. W. BURKS, and CHARLIE MOORE; Tarrant County District Attorney's Investigators JIM GREENER and HARRY BEASON; and Lt. OLIVER BALL, Vice Squad, Ft. Worth, Texas PD. DORSETT said that the three places were Sports Publications, an address on Norma Street and an address on Avenue L. DORSETT said these addresses belong to EUGENE SLOVACEK, T. A. AVARELLO and DOYLE PRIMM, respectively. No arrests were made as no one was there, according to DORSETT. DORSETT and Chief Criminal Deputy Sheriff E. N. BUIE stated they felt that the officers who conducted the raids were attempting to show some activity on their part in the event the Federal Government suddenly arrested any of the gambling element of Fort Worth.

In connection with the above, Officer BERT D. EDMONDSON, Fort Worth PD advised SAS JOSEPH M. MYERS and EUGENE F. WHITEHORNE on 12/29/61 that a friend of his in the Fort Worth PD Vice Squad, RAY BARNES, told him that after BERT BARKLEY and other Fort Worth gamblers were questioned by FBI Agents and their names were published by the IRS, LT. OLIVER BALL of the PD Vice Squad, called all of the gamblers in and had them photographed and fingerprinted since few have ever been printed or mugged. EDMONDSON stated that BARNES told him that BALL did not arrest any of the gamblers but after they appeared at the PD BALL told them that in the future that it would be better if the gamblers did not list a Ft. Worth address due to the publicity it gives Ft. Worth. According to EDMONDSON, Ft. Worth City Manager L. P. COOKINGHAM put the pressure on the PD when newspapers published the names of Ft. Worth and Dallas gamblers and Ft. Worth had such a large number while Dallas only had two who had purchased Federal Wagering Stamps.

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HERMAN C. PERRY, Assistant Chief, Arlington, Texas PD advised SA EUGENE F. WHITEHORNE 12/29/61 that BUDDY L. HAAS, operator of the Centennial Social Club, an Arlington, Texas pool hall and known gambler who is a believed associate of SHERMAN LITTLE (DL 162-129), JOE IANNI (DL 92-192), JOHNNY ROSS PATRONO (DL 92-231) and New Orleans gambler EDDIE MELANSO was interviewed 12/29/61 by officers of the Arlington, Texas PD in connection with the aggravated assault of a TOBBY BARNES who was employed by HAAS as a porter and night watchman at HAAS' pool hall. BARNES got drunk on the night of 12/28/61 and deliberately destroyed a couple of HAAS' pool tables. HAAS admitted to officers of the Arlington PD that he became angry at BARNES and at about 1:30 PM, 12/29/61 he beat BARNES, hitting him on the head with a cue stick and throwing him out of the pool hall. BARNES, who told officers of the beating did not place aggravated assault charges claiming he would take care of HAAS in his own way.

Re: SHERMAN LITTLE  
IGA (DL 162-129)

On 12/29/61, DL-139-C advised SA EUGENE F. WHITEHORNE he in recent weeks has made frequent trips to New Orleans, La. on behalf of Mrs. BEN F. WHITAKER, owner of Mrs. B. F. Whitaker Stables. In this capacity DL-139-C has been in contact with EDDIE MELANSO, a New Orleans horse trainer who CI claims is a former well-known New Orleans gambler who at present confines his activities to training race horses. CI believes MELANSO, who has had gambling connections in the past is in an excellent position to furnish race information to gamblers but CI was not aware MELANSO was doing so.

Re: JOE IANNI, aka.  
AR (DL 92-192)

DL-139-C advised SA EUGENE F. WHITEHORNE 12/29/61 he had arranged with JOE IANNI for IANNI to recommend an Italian cook to work in an Arlington, Texas Italian restaurant CI is planning to operate. CI claims proposed restaurant will be located in a building being erected by HORACE REYNOLDS, Arlington real estate operator. If agreements can be reached CI will pay REYNOLDS 10% of gross receipts daily. REYNOLDS furnishing the building, kitchen equipment and fixtures; will pay 25% to 50% depending upon agreed agreement (for recommending first rate Italian cook acting as advisor in restaurant management and for letting it be known he is associated with restaurant).

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CI and IANNI agreed to meet at Arlington, Texas 12/29/61 to try to make a deal. Surveillance by Bureau Agents reflected IANNI, unknown white male wearing white cook's clothing and CI met as agreed, going to office of Attorney JIM KNAPP, son-in-law of BUDDY LEON HAAS, Arlington gambler and owner of Centennial Social Club, a pool hall in Arlington, Texas and went to the site of the proposed restaurant. After the meeting IANNI and CI separated and surveillance was discontinued. Investigation is continuing at Dallas to establish coverage of IANNI's operation at Arlington, Texas.

Re: FORT WORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT  
(DL 80-255)

Officer BERT D. EDMONDSON, Fort Worth PD, who resides at 4305 Burke Road, advised SAS JOSEPH M. MYERS and EUGENE F. WHITEHORNE on 12/29/61 that he has been employed as a Patrolman for the Fort Worth PD for several years and is a graduate of Texas Christian University. EDMONDSON stated that he has observed a number of incidences which have occurred at the police department that he feels are wrong and which he wants to do something to correct. EDMONDSON stated that he believes that the ~~SMITH DETECTIVE AGENCY~~ which operates in Fort Worth, Dallas, Houston and San Antonio, Texas may be involved in a number of burglaries in Fort Worth. EDMONDSON stated that he has two instances which he felt lend some weight to his suspicions. EDMONDSON said that he had learned through a salesman at the Firestone Tire and Appliance Co., 1000 West 7th Street, that this firm uses Smith Detective Agency and one of Smith's representatives tried to sell the firm a burglar alarm system. The salesman showed the representative the upstairs warehouse and prior to the installation of an alarm the upstairs room was burglarized and a number of tires were taken. EDMONDSON said that the firm was dissatisfied with the investigation by the Ft. Worth Detective office and EDMONDSON felt there might be some connection between some of the detectives and members of Smith Detective Agency. EDMONDSON said DON MARLYNE, a former Ft. Worth City policeman, is now employed by Smith's.

Another firm protected by Smith Detective Agency is Knox and Poff's Appliance Co., 1520 Hemphill St., Ft. Worth, according to EDMONDSON. EDMONDSON stated that a friend of his, W. F. ROGERS, employed by American Mutual

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MURAD, WRIGHT and JOHNSTON have been associated with Southwestern Law Publication.

EDMONDSON stated that W. F. GILMARTIN, Traffic Judge, City of Fort Worth is one of the toughest traffic judges around, however, GILMARTIN, who does not let anyone off a traffic fine, let PAT KIRKWOOD out of some speeding tickets. KIRKWOOD is the operator of a notorious place of amusement known as the Celler and also the Contempo Club. EDMONDSON said that GILMARTIN stated that since KIRKWOOD is a professional race driver that it was all right for him to exceed the speed limits in Ft. Worth because he could handle his car. KIRKWOOD is the son of W. C. KIRKWOOD, Fort Worth gambler.

Re: AL MEADOWS  
IGA (DL 162-109)

On 12/27/61, Lt. FRANK CORNWALD advised he had information that MEADOWS had moved from the apartment on West Davis where he had been living with HELEN CARTER. On the night of 12/28/61 SA ROBERT M. BARRETT checked MEADOWS residence at 948 Abrams Rd. where he observed two cars, a 1960 Oldsmobile, Texas license PF 4349 and a 1958 Oldsmobile, Texas license ME 2223, both of which are registered to MEADOWS or his wife. This indicated that MEADOWS had possibly returned to living with his wife. On the morning of 12/28/61 SA BARRETT observed MEADOWS' close associate and alleged pick up man, BILLY RAY GRIMES, come out of his mother residence at 5179 Lancaster and drive off in a 1961 white over green Oldsmobile, Texas license NY 7618. This further substantiated the information that MEADOWS and GRIMES had moved out of HELEN CARTER's apartment. This information was orally furnished to Lt. REVILL, Lt. CORNWALD and Deputy MORGAN on 12/29/61.

Re: RUSSELL DOUGLAS MATTHEWS, aka.  
AR (DL 92-231)

On 12/28/61, DL-95-C advised that MATTHEWS had recently been seen at the Holiday Inn on North Central Expressway accompanied by a tall young man with dark hair and that these two were doing considerable partying at this motel spending considerable amounts of money. On 12/28/61 LT. JACK REVILL advised that MATTHEWS had recently been seen in a 1959 black Thunderbird, Texas license NM 3341.