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By communication 4/10/62, the Los Angeles Office furnished the following and requested that it be placed in the Administrative pages of any report submitted by Dallas:

LA 4269-C, whose reliability is not known at this time, has advised on a number of different occasions, that STEVE LESCHETSKO, who is known to LA 4269-C as STEVE BECINA, is a close associate of ANDREW JOSEPH LOCOCO and regularly engages in poker games with him. LA 4269-C is of the opinion that ANDY LOCOCO and LESCHETSKO are engaged in various gambling activities together. This informant advised that LESCHETSKO drives a 1959 black over yellow four-door Cadillac, which is registered to STEVE LESCHETSKO, 23022 Catskill, Wilmington, Calif.

In September, 1960, LA 4269-C advised that football pool tickets were scheduled to be utilized by gamblers in the Los Angeles area beginning in September, 1960. He said STEVE LESCHETSKO and ANDY LOCOCO have the beach area from Santa Monica to Long Beach, Calif. as their territory in the distribution of football pool cards.

This source stated that LOCOCO takes the north part of the beach area and LESCHETSKO the southern part, including San Pedro and Long Beach. Informant stated that drivers for the Corsaro Produce Company in Redondo Beach, Calif. are used to distributing football pool tickets to various restaurants and bars throughout the area as they are in daily contact with those establishments.

Source stated that STEVE LESCHETSKO and ANDREW LOCOCO do not personally handle the football pool cards but that they handle the administration of the distribution of the cards and collect the money.

LA 4269-C said that LESCHETSKO in 1959 sold more cards than did LOCOCO but that this did not matter because the two operate together for the overall control of the cards.

ANDREW JOSEPH LOCOCO is presently the subject of a pending Anti-Racketeering case in the Los Angeles Office and is being investigated under the Top Hoodlum Program.

Los Angeles is currently attempting to determine the reliability or unreliability of LA 4269-C.

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IDENTITY OF INFORMANTS:

The following informants contacted by the Agents so designated have all furnished reliable information in the past and careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized in this report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

DL T-1 is DL-95-C, contacted by SA ROBERT M. BARRETT.

DL T-4 is DL-144-C*, contacted by SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING.

DL T-5 is Mr. R. A. BURROW, Chief Special Agent, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, contacted by SA BARRETT.

DL T-6 is BILL TRIMBLE, Southwestern States Telephone Company, Irving, Texas, contacted by SA BARRETT.

DL T-7 is #OGER GAGE, Office Manager, Central Telephone Company, Decatur, Texas, contacted by SA ROBLEY D. MADLAND.

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February 11, 1962, YEAGER asked informant, with whom YEAGER has become quite friendly, if he wanted to join YEAGER in a trip to Waco, Texas on the night of February 12, 1962. YEAGER stated to DL T-1 that during the past weekend YEAGER had placed bets on 14 separate basketball games with DON FULTON, LITTLE's employee at the club, and had won on all 14 games. YEAGER told informant he won on these bets based on information he was receiving through a contact in Waco.

On February 13, 1962, DL T-1 advised that he and YEAGER had made the trip to Waco the night of February 12, 1962 in YEAGER's tan 1962 Chevrolet. They arrived at about 9:30 pm and went to the Sportsman Bar where they met two men, one named PARKER and the other who was not named, but herein referred to as UNSUB No. 1. DL T-1 observed YEAGER give UNSUB No. 1 \$2500 cash but there was no reason for this payment stated. Informant also observed YEAGER give to UNSUB No. 1 an additional \$500 and told him to bet in on Mississippi State, at even money, in connection with the game to be played that night between Mississippi State and Kentucky. It is noted Kentucky was a heavy favorite but Mississippi State won the ball game.

DL T-1 stated YEAGER claimed to have been formerly connected with the "Turf", Galveston, Texas.

DL T-1 stated YEAGER, when in Dallas, makes all his bets from a pay phone located across the street from 3109 West Davis.

DL T-1 described YEAGER as a white, male in his fifties, 5'8", 160 pounds, graying hair, wears a suit, dark glasses and a hat at all times. He gives the appearance of a gambler.

On February 12, 1962, DL T-1 identified Dallas gambler BOBBY JOE CHAPMAN as having been at the Redmen Club on the night of February 11, 1962, and further stated that CHAPMAN along with persons described by informant as gamblers and identified as WILLIAM MARTIN, GLENN BURNETT and MARVIN RALPH PRESTRIDGE, were all planning to travel to Hot Springs, Arkansas for the racing season. DL T-1 also stated that frequent visitor at the club, MIKE LESCHETSKO, appeared to have suffered some heavy loses recently on basketball bets. DL T-1 stated that part-owner of the club FRED COMPTON, recently won \$2200 in a poker game at the club from EVERETT GOOLSBY, FBI #47353D. Informant stated GOOLSBY is a constant visitor at the club.