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LEONARD PATRICK  
MAX NETTERDOCUMENT TYPE: PAPER, TEXTUAL DOCUMENT  
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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. 1. Will maintain contact with logical informants in an effort to ascertain extent of subject's gambling activities.

2. Will at Department of Licenses, City Hall, Chicago, review appropriate records for further information concerning the ownership of Mr. T's Cocktail Lounge, 5240 Sheridan Road, Chicago.

3. Will attempt to ascertain telephone numbers utilized by the subject and Chicago toll call listings in an effort to determine whether subject is engaged in interstate gambling activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

A search of the indices of the Chicago Office revealed the following information concerning the subject:

On January 18, 1956, former CG 6036-C advised SA JOHN B. HARRINGTON that a card room was operated at 841 or 851 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, by one MAX NETTLER for Chicago hoodlum LEONARD PATRICK. He said the room operated with each player paying \$.50 to \$1.50 an hour depending on the type of game being played. He further advised that MAX NETTLER who resided in the Sheridan Road area was also reported to operate a small handbook from his apartment.

On January 18, 1962, CG 6443-C advised SA WILLIAM A. MEINCKE that the Sherone Hotel in the vicinity of Sheridan Road and Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, used to belong to an old "outfit hoodlum" named MAX NETTLER. He said that after NETTLER's death one BILL GOLD took over the

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supervision and was in charge of all gambling in the district. He said also that some of the largest professional gamblers in Chicago reportedly go to this location to gamble. He said that gamblers are reported to congregate at the Sherone Hotel almost every evening to play "pam" which is a sort of "faro " played with eight decks of cards.

On March 1, 1962, CG 6538-C-TE advised SA AUGUST C. KEMPF that a pangini game was operating on Eastwood Avenue at Sheridan Road in Chicago. He said the game was owned by Chicago hoodlums, PHIL ALDERISIO and OBBI FRABOTTA. The informant also advised that a man by the name of MAX NETTLER books sports out of this location.

On October 5, 1962, CG 6538-C-TE advised SA KEMPF that a sports book operated for the "syndicate" by one SABBY RUSSANO is taking lay off bets from other bookmakers in the Chicago area. According to the informant one of the bookmakers who was laying off bets with them was a man by the name of MAX NETTLER and one RONNIE (LNU) has told the informant that they are very careful not to accept bets from out of state bookmakers and favor local action.

On November 9, 1962, CG 6538-C-TE advised SA KEMPF that MAX NETTLER was an associate of "MILWAUKEE" PHIL ALDERISIO and bets anywhere from \$30 to \$40 a week. He said NETTLER is a central figure who handles lay off action for other bookies and is said to have unlimited credit with all of the bookmakers in the city. He further advised that NETTLER is said to have contacts all over the country who call him at pre-determined telephone numbers to arrange for lay off action. The informant was not sure whether this lay off action concerned bets or horse races

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or national sports. The informant related that this information was received from an individual who was an employee of a large sports book and this individual stated that during the week of October 15,-20, 1962, the sports book he worked for handled approximately \$150,000 in wagers.

The following information has been obtained from informants in an effort to locate and identify the subject:

On February 20, 1963, CG 6538-C-TE advised SA AUGUST C. KEMPF that SABBY RUSSANO had stated that a sports book which had formerly used the telephone number LI 9-2955 had discontinued taking action from professional betters. In this regard he stated that the previous week MAX NETTLER had beat this book for \$19,800 and they had to go to JIMMY ALLEGRETTI to get the money to pay NETTLER and at that time it was agreed that betters of NETTLER's caliber would be discontinued and only action from small betters would be accepted.

On March 21, 1963, CG 6612-C advised SA JOHN W. PARISH that he had never heard of a Chicago bookmaker by the name of MAX NETTLER. The informant expressed the opinion that this could be an assumed name utilized by some individual when placing bets in an effort to cover his true identity.

On April 9, 1963, CG 6187-C advised SA ROBERT L. MALONE that he has heard of an MAX NETTLER who is a bookmaker somewhere on North Sheridan Road in Chicago. He further advised that NETTLER is reportedly a "lay off man" and "odds maker" in the Chicago area. It was unknown to the informant whether NETTLER was handling lay off bets for out of state gamblers.

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