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The following investigation was conducted by  
Special Agent ROBERT E. KLAWITER:

AT ARLINGTON, TEXAS

DL 202-C-TE advised that telephone number 817-261-9896 was subscribed to by EDDIE HAMPTON WALSH, the number being listed in the current Fort Worth, Texas, Area Telephone Directory under the name of B. WELCH, 1307 Wiscassett Drive, Arlington, Texas. This telephone was located in Apartment 173 of the Wiscassett Apartments, 1415 Wiscassett Drive, Arlington, Texas. The telephone was subscribed to by WALSH and utilized by well known Fort Worth gambler SAM BENSON for several months prior to August 28, 1970. In addition WALSH and BENSON subscribed to telephone number 817-261-0846 at 1307 Wiscassett Drive, Apartment 173, but the telephone calls on this telephone were billed to telephone number 261-9896.

On August 28, 1970, both telephones were disconnected and the apartment was vacated on September 1, 1970. WALSH and BENSON moved the booking operation to Sherry Park Apartments, 2214 Avenue G, Arlington. On October 17, 1970, the Arlington, Texas, Police Department, assisted by Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS), Intelligence Officers, raided WALSH's apartment and arrested him. WALSH was charged with Possession of Policy Paraphernalia and released on \$2,000 bond on the date following his arrest. It was subsequently learned that BENSON was at the apartment, but had left about one-half hour prior to the arrest of WALSH.

RUSSELL DOUGLAS MATTHEWS, also known as, R. D. MATTHEWS, a well known Dallas, Texas, gambler, was the financial backer of the bookmaking operation of WALSH at the aforementioned Wiscassett Drive address.

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