FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FOI/PA
DELETED PAGE INFORMATION SHEET
FOI/PA# 1290513-0

Total Deleted Page(s) = 5
Page 14 ~ b6; b7C; b7D;
Page 15 ~ b6; b7C; b7D;
Page 16 ~ b6; b7C; b7D;
Page 17 ~ b6; b7C; b7D;
Page 23 ~ Duplicate - of FDPS Pg.21;

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
X Deleted Page(s)  X
X No Duplication Fee X
X For this Page  X
XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Record of Telephone Call or Visitor

June 16, 1941

Time 3:48 PM

Name Congressman Thomas D'Alesandro (D-Md.), tele

Referred to

Details:

When advised that the Director was not in his office, and would probably be occupied with outside commitments the rest of the afternoon, the Congressman stated that he had an important investigative matter which he wished to discuss and stated that, in the Director's absence, he would be willing to speak to the proper assistant.

The Congressman was accordingly transferred to Mr. Rosen.

The Jam, Jun follow-up

4:02 PM - Mr. Rosen left his office shortly after completing this call. A follow-up will be made as soon as he returns.
November 22, 1943

Honorable Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr.
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman:

Your letter of November 16, 1943, addressed to the Attorney General concerning the searching of employees of a Navy Yard by Marine guards has been referred to this Bureau.

It appears the question arises out of the actions of members of the Armed Forces while on a Naval establishment.

 Matters of this nature are not within the jurisdiction of this Bureau but of the Navy Department, and for that reason I am unable to be of assistance to you. I venture to suggest the Navy Department may be in a position to give you the information you desire.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,
The Honorable Francis Biddle
Attorney General of the United States.
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Biddle:

I have been informed by some of my constituents, who
are employed in the Navy Yard, that periodically the em-
ployees at the Yard are searched when leaving the grounds.
It seems that not everyone is searched but perhaps one in
every ten and the person is pulled out of line and ordered
into the small building occupied by the marine who is on
guard and there he is searched.

They have asked me to find out if the guard has a
right to stop the men and search them in the manner in which
he has been doing it. If it is necessary to search the men
when they leave the Yard and everyone is searched, the men
would not object to it so strenuously but when it is done
only occasionally and then perhaps only one out of ten picked
at random, they do object very strenuously.

May I hear from you promptly in regard to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr., M. C.
3rd District, Maryland
Office Memorandum  •  UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. Rosen

FROM : Mr. G. C. Callan

DATE: October 23, 1945

SUBJECT: Request of Congressman D'Alesandro, Jr.
for Hatch Act Reports

On October 22, at approximately 4:30 p.m., I received a telephone
call from Miss Garmatz of Congressman D'Alesandro's office. The Con-
gressman is from Baltimore, Maryland. His extension is 365.

Miss Garmatz stated that Congressman D'Alesandro would like to
have delivered to his office copies of the reports made to Congress by the
FBI concerning Hatch Act investigations. Miss Garmatz was advised by me
that the FBI had not made any reports to Congress concerning Hatch Act in-
vestigations. She was told that there had been some reports furnished by
the Attorney General to Congress concerning Public Laws 135 and 644, both of
which have expired. She stated that she thought this was what the Congressman
had in mind.

I told her I would inquire into the situation and would communicate
with the Congressman's office further. It is suggested that the attached
letter be forwarded to the Congressman.

Attachment
October 25, 1925

Concealed name of Congressmen, Jr.

House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Congressman:

Reference is made to the request of the Speaker of your House to Mr. Allen of this Bureau of Civil Affairs for copies of Hatch et al. reports submitted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the Congress.

For your information, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has never submitted any reports to Congress concerning its investigations conducted under the Hatch Act. However, on April 25th and 26th of the 77th Congress, required the Attorney General to file a report to Congress. As a result, the Federal Bureau of Investigation published its investigative accomplishments to the Attorney General, who in turn prepared a report which was submitted by him to Congress. In fact, accordingly, advised the Attorney General herein of your request for copies of these reports and I was told that you may desire to communicate directly with the Attorney General's office for further reference to this request.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

[Signature]

[Address]
Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Mr. D. M. Ladd
FROM: E. G. Fitch

DATE: March 27, 1946

SUBJECT:

Supervisor Orrin H. Bartlett advised me that while talking to Congressman Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr. (D., Md.) on March 26, 1946, the Congressman advised Agent Bartlett that he was running for Congress again in the fall 1946 election and that in 1947 he was running for the office of Mayor of Baltimore.

Congressman D'Alesandro advised Agent Bartlett that since he had been on the Appropriations Committee, he has been back of the Director and the Bureau one hundred per cent, and further, that he was vitally interested in and completely satisfied with the results of the Bureau's work.

The above is set forth to show Congressman D'Alesandro's opinion of the Bureau.

OHB: VPS

34 APR 46 2 1946
November 7, 1946

Honorable Thomas D'Allesandro, Jr.
Member of Congress
Baltimore, Maryland

My dear Congressman,

It was indeed a pleasure to learn of your re-election to Congress and you have my best wishes for another highly successful term. I am deeply grateful for your support of the FBI in the past and know that you will not hesitate to call on me if I can be of service to you during the coming session.

With cordial greetings of my best wishes and best regards,

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

No letter of congratulations in 1946.
City 14 May

My dear Mr. Wills:

I have the privilege of giving you a call to call your attention to the fact that the Congress is in session. We have been having a lot of interest in the Congress, and I am very much interested in the matter. I hope you will keep me informed.

With best wishes,

S. Edgar Wills

NOTE: File 62-74137 reflects a letter dated November 7, 1947, from the Director congratulating the Congressman on his re-election to the House of Representatives. Serial 3 of the file indicates that the Congressman was very favorably disposed toward the Bureau.

The Washington Evening Star under date of May 7, 1947, reflected the election of the correspondent to the position of Mayor by a substantial majority.
D'Alesandro Is Elected Mayor As Democrats Sweep Baltimore

House Member Defeats Deeley Nice by Margin Of 24,272 Votes

By the Associated Press

BALTIMORE, May 7.—Democrats were back in complete control of Baltimore City today after Representative Thomas D'Alesandro, 43, captured the Mayor's chair by a 24,272 unofficial majority over Republican Deeley K. Nice in yesterday's municipal election.

Complete unofficial returns gave Mr. D'Alesandro 96,461 votes against 71,489 for Mr. Nice. The victorious candidate will succeed Republican Theodore R. McKeldin, who was not a candidate for re-election.

Mr. D'Alesandro rode a Democratic tide that swept the party's entire slate into 20 City Council seats and the offices of Council president and city controller.

Serving his fifth term in the House of Representatives, Mr. D'Alesandro, dean of Maryland's congressional delegation, plans to resign his seat May 18 or 19, after which a special election will be held to name his successor. When Mr. D'Alesandro resigns, Representative Sasscer, Democrat, of the 8th district, will become dean of the delegation.

Mr. D'Alesandro is a former chairman of the Welfare Subcommittee of the House District Committee.

C. Markland Kelly, Democratic nominee for City Council president, has an unofficial total of 103,949 far ahead of J. Edward Adkins, Jr., his Republican opponent, who had 46,070.

J. Neil McCordell, Democrat, had 102,479 votes compared with the

REPRESENTATIVE D'ALESANDRO.

A. P. Photo.

48,166 credited to Republican William F. Laukaitis in the contest for city controller.

The office of Mayor will be vacated May 30 by Mr. McKeldin.

Mr. D'Alesandro, a native of Baltimore, was born August 1, 1903, and began his political career by winning election to the Maryland House of Delegates in 1926.

He was re-elected in 1930. He served a term in the Baltimore City Council and won election to his first term in Congress in 1938.

The Baltimore voters rejected by an unofficial count of 58,457 to 24,809 a plan which would transfer from the Governor to the Mayor the power of appointing Baltimore police commissioner.

The Governor has had the appointment authority since

Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C.

May 14, 1947

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you very much for your message congratulating me on my election as Mayor of the City of Baltimore. I was most pleased to receive your good wishes and assure you that I will do my utmost to give the people of Baltimore an efficient and outstanding administration.

I, too, will miss you and my many other friends in Washington but I am grateful for the proximity of our two cities which will afford the opportunity for frequent visits when and if time permits. Whenever you are in Baltimore, please make it a point to visit me at the City Hall.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. A. H. Belmont
FROM: W. C. Sullivan
SUBJECT: THOMAS D'ALESANDRO, JR.

I have been confidentially advised by [redacted] that former Congressman Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr., [redacted] and [redacted] are all quite friendly with one another.

Enclosed will be found a file review summary concerning the captioned individual.

RECOMMENDATION:

For the information of the Director.

Enclosure

WCS: lml
THOMAS D'ALESANDRO, JR.

D'Alesandro was born August 1, 1903, at Baltimore, Maryland. From November, 1933, to July, 1934, he was employed as General Deputy Collector, Treasury Department, Bureau of Internal Revenue, Office of the Collector of Internal Revenue, Baltimore, Maryland. In 1940 he formed an insurance agency partnership in Baltimore, Maryland. D'Alesandro is married and has four children.

Throughout his life D'Alesandro has been actively engaged in politics in the State of Maryland, has been a member of the Maryland House of Delegates, on Baltimore City Council, member of the United States Congress from the Third Congressional District and Mayor of the City of Baltimore. On March 28, 1961, he was sworn in as a member of the United States Renegotiation Board.

D'Alesandro has been connected with the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship and the International Workers Order, in that he reportedly had spoken at meetings or was listed as one of a large group of sponsors of these organizations which have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450. However, an article in the "Baltimore Sun" newspaper dated March 10, 1945, indicated that D'Alesandro announced he would not attend a meeting (on problems of White Collar and Fixed Income Workers) because some of the persons listed as sponsors of the meeting "are politically known as communist sympathizers and speakers."

There have been allegations that D'Alesandro has associated with the Baltimore criminal element and

The son, Franklin Roosevelt D'Alesandro, had been arrested for rape. All available living sources of these allegations were contacted in 1961 and stated this information is based on hearsay and rumor. These sources were unable to recall the sources of the original allegations.
Thomas DiAlesandro, Jr.

DiAlesandro's son, Franklin Roosevelt, was one of a number of individuals arrested on a rape charge in 1953. He entered a plea of not guilty. He was subsequently tried for rape and perjury and found not guilty. A source stated that although there was a rumor that "some sort of pressure had been exerted" to acquit Franklin Roosevelt DiAlesandro, he had no knowledge of such pressure and stated that it was the consensus of opinion he was found not guilty because his case was handled in a brilliant fashion by one of Maryland's outstanding attorneys.

Over one hundred persons including social acquaintances, political associates, professional associates and neighbors were interviewed in 1961 concerning DiAlesandro and his relatives and commented favorably. One political opponent stated that during the time he opposed DiAlesandro in a senatorial campaign he did considerable research into his background and was unable to obtain anything tangible of an adverse nature, even in a general way, concerning DiAlesandro. This individual advised that he would have used any information in his campaign that would have been critical of Mr. DiAlesandro's character, integrity, honesty or reputation. However, one United States Senator stated that he would hesitate to recommend DiAlesandro unqualifiedly without first knowing the position for which he is being considered. Another individual stated he would be hesitant in recommending DiAlesandro for any office where he would be in a position to award contracts without first having the approval of another supervisor.
September 21, 1966

BY LIAISON

Honorable Marvin Watson
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Watson:

Mrs. Mildred Stegall has requested a name check of our files concerning Thomas D'Alesandro, Jr. of Baltimore, Maryland. Mr. D'Alesandro was the subject of a Special Inquiry investigation conducted by the FBI in March and April, 1961. The results of that investigation were furnished the White House by memoranda dated March 6 and April 3, 1961, copies of which are attached. No additional pertinent information has been received concerning Mr. D'Alesandro since that time. (62-74137) (161-277)

The fingerprint files of the Identification Division of the FBI contain no arrest data identifiable with Mr. D'Alesandro based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

A copy of this communication has not been sent to the Attorney General.

Sincerely yours,

Enclosures (2)
1 - Mr. DeLoach (sent direct) 1 - Mr. Gale 1 - Mr. Rosen

ICF:jer (8)
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Records Branch

Name Searching Unit - Room 6527
Service Unit - Room 6524
Forward to File Review
Attention
Return to Farrington 4230
Supervisor Room Ext.

Type of References Requested:
- Regular Request (Analytical Search)
- All References (Subversive & Nonsubversive)
- Subversive References Only
- Nonsubversive References Only
- Main __ References Only

Type of Search Requested:
- Restricted to Locality of
- Exact Name Only (On the Nose)
- Buildup
- Variations

Lfd from Sum - Hd 4-3-61

Subject Thomas D’Alejandro
Birthdate & Place
Address

Localities Balt. Md

R# Date 9-20 Searcher
Initials En

Prod.

FILE NUMBER SERIAL

4-22 (Rev. 1-22-60)