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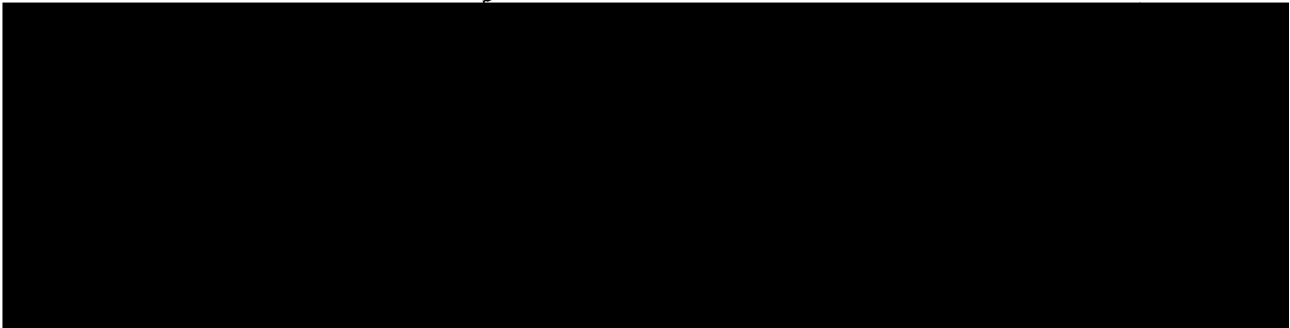
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1. Colonel Jules Carvel*, former labor superintendent of the Delgado Brothers Stevedoring Company, has expressed the belief that Francis Morris Gispert was ordered killed by John Montgomery, President of the Manila Ship Watchmen's Union.**
2. Carvel is convinced that there may be other killings in the Manila waterfront area in the near future as a result of the present labor unrest. He expressed the opinion that the Delgado brothers may be the next waterfront labor leaders who are scheduled to be killed.

* **Comment.** Jules Carvel, a former US Army Colonel who formerly was in charge of labor for the Delgado Brothers Stevedoring Company, is now employed by the rival Luzon Stevedoring Company. **25X1A** **25X1X** that Carvel stated that he left the Delgado firm as a result of a difference of opinion on policy. Carvel reportedly did not indicate what the differences were, and he expressed no bitterness toward the Delgados. **25X1X**

25X1A **Comment.** Carvel may have given in to the pressure to leave the Delgados that reportedly was exerted on him by officials of the Luzon Stevedoring Company.

** **25X1A** **Comment.** Francis M. Gispert, General Manager of the Associated Steamship Lines, was murdered on 1 March 1951 while entering his Manila offices. It was believed that the killing was the result of a dispute with the Manila Ship Watchmen's Union and its President, John Montgomery. The prosecution in the Manila trial of Montgomery reportedly has asked that he pay the death penalty for ordering Gispert's murder.

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