Midland man says father was part of CIA hit squad

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It began in Midland, when the handyman was painting an oilman's house.

The handyman, Ricky Don White, mentioned that his father was the one who killed John F. Kennedy in Dallas on Nov.



Roscoe White

22, 1963. And suddenly the chase was on. The intrigued oilman, John Houghton, formed a corporation to finance White's search for proof and in return reap 25 percent of the profits from hoped-for book and movie deals.

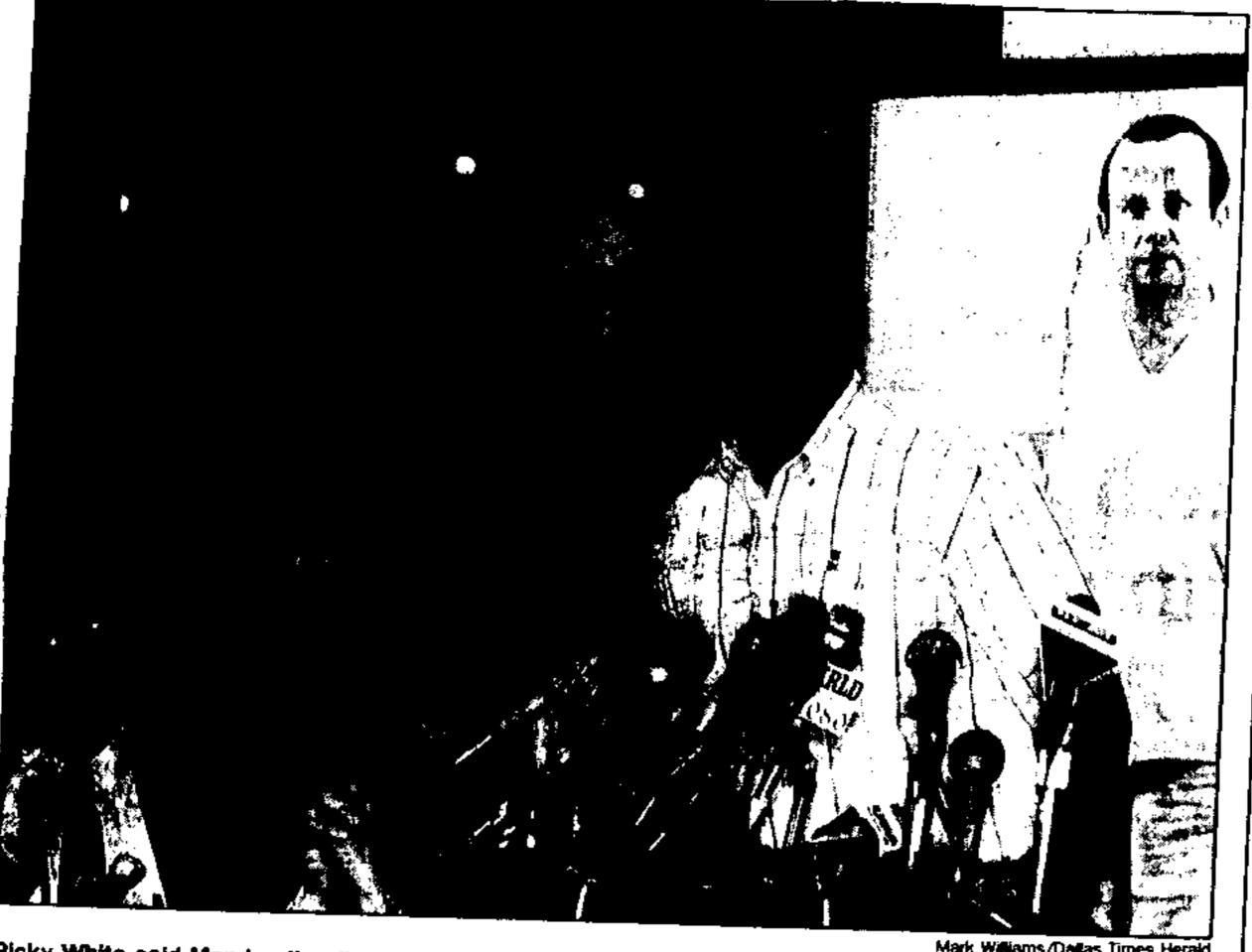
After 18 months of research at a cost of \$100,000 supplied by

the Matsu Corp. of seven Midland oilmen, White still has no book contract - or proof that his father, former Dallas police officer Roscoe "Rock" White, killed JFK.

But at a Monday news conference at the West End MarketPlace, he presented an ingenious conspiracy theory with enough enigmatic evidence to stir worldwide interest.

His theory: that Roscoe White, part of a three-man CIA hit squad, fired two bullets into the president from the grassy knoll; that he was using Lee Harvey Oswald and

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Ricky White said Monday the diary that proves his father shot President John F. Kennedy was stolen.

Experts: Latest JFK claim 'fairy tale'

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It's a tale of CIA assassins, mysterious fires, overheard conversations and the worst of crimes the assassination of John F. Kennedy. The story unveiled by Ricky Don White on Monday caught the attention of a conspiracy-minded world, but proving it won't be

The diary that told all has disappeared. White says the FBI stole

The rookie policeman that supposedly did the assassinating -

White's father, Roscoe - died in and an early partisan of conspirawhat his son described as a suspicious fire and explosion in 1971.

And the officer's wife is too sick to be interviewed.

lin, counsel to the Warren Commission, which concluded in 1964 that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone, shooting the president from the old Texas School Book Depository. "And it's a fairy tale that's an outgrowth of hallucinatory

G. Robert Blakey, chief counsel Moore, when so many details are to the House Select Committee on Assassinations of the late 1970s

cy theories, was equally unenthusiastic.

"This sort of thing occurs about every two or three months and "It's a fairy tale," said David Be- has done so for about 20 years. Even if this is the truth, I probably won't believe it because at this stage of the history of the assassination virtually anyone can fabricate a story by going to the [historical] record. In a sense, it's too late to confess and be believable."

Especially, said author Jim

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