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REFERENCE:

Report of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, dated 12/23/63, at Dallas.

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All leads in this case have been set forth by teletype of airtel and are not being re-stated herein.

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Many Agents of the Dallas Office, as well as numerous Agents from surrounding Offices participated in this investigation and their identities are reflected in this report.

In connection with this report, it should be borne in mind that the Dallas Office has a separate case in connection with the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, captioned, "JACK L. RUBY, aka; LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka (Deceased) - VICTIM, CR", Dallas file 44-1639.

During the initial preparation of reports in instant matter the material was being submitted under Dallas file 89-43, and for this reason certain of the FD-302s and Inserts contained in this report may bear that file number rather than 100-10461.

The overlap in the period of this report with that of referenced report was occasioned by the fact that material with respect to certain phases of the investigation was withheld until such time as the complete resolving of the particular phase could be included in one report.

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Title: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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Synopsis Efforts to identify employee at Union Terminal Company,
Dallas, by name of (FNU) BRENNAN, negative. JACK EDWIN
DOUGHERTY, employee at Texas School Book Depository (TSBD); who has difficulty correlating his speech, reinterviewed and states he saw OSMALD at approximately 11:00 A.M., 11-22-63, on sixth floor of TSBD, but did not see him thereafter. EDDIE PIPER, employee at TSBD, advised he came to work at 10:00 A.M., 11-22-63, and shortly after saw OSWALD on first floor, but could not recall exact time. Did not see OSWALD after shots fired. RALPH LEON YATES, employee, Texas Butcher Supply Company (TBSC), Dallas, states his reason for going to Charlie's Weat Market on 11-20 or 11-21-63, was to pick up a small check payable to TBSC, but employees at Charlie's Meat Market deny giving YATES such check. Further efforts to trace sling for assassination weapon at Irving and Dallas, Texas, negative. FBI Laboratory tested 8 mm motion picture camera of ABRAHAM ZAPRUDER to determine running speed, and by applying speed of camera to film (taken with this camera and which recorded assassination), it was determined best estimate of time between first and third shots lies between approximately five and six seconds. Additional 6.5 mm cartridge cases submitted to FBI laboratory determined not to have been fired in assassination weapon. Signature "LEE HARVEY OSWALD" in registry book of Hotel Del Comercio, Mexico City, for guests registering on 9-27-63, determined to have been written by LEE HARVEY OSWALD. Hand-printed employment agency application obtained from the Commercial Employment Agency, New Orleans, dated 5-7-63, and agency agreement same and date bearing signature "LEE H. OSWALD", determined to have been written by LEE HARVEY OSWALD. Signature "LEE H. OSWALD" on hand-printed "Cotton Pickin' Application" dated 10-4-63,

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determined to be that of OSWALD, Examination of photo copy of USMC Certificate of Service identification card in name "ALEK JAMES HIDELL", disclosed this item to be photograph of a fraudulent and counterfeit card made directly or indirectly from the retouched negatives of a USMC Certificate of Service identification card in the name of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. JAMES PREDERICK MURPHY, who applied for job at Statler-Hilton Hotel, 10-31-63, located at Nashville, Tennessee and denies knowing, OSWALD, Additional investigation at Statler-Hilton Hotel, Dallas, fails to establish OSWALD ever applied for a job that hotel. THOMAS RAY and wife, NATALIE, Blossom, Texas, state they attended party weekend 12-28/30-62 at residence of DeCLAN T. FORD in Dallas where OSWALD and wife in attendence. Mrs. RAY states she was amazed at OSWALD's command of Russian and his understanding of the Russian government and its workings. States several persons in attendance at party wondered how OSWALD was able to leave Russia with his Russian wife to come to the United States without any difficulty. States thought arose in her mind that since Russian people had not apparently accepted OSWALD, that he had been given an assignment in the U.S. by the Russian government so that when he returned he would be accepted. She stated, however, after further consideration of OSWALD, she finally decided he was a mental case. GEORGE BOUHE, who also attended party, stated he did not feel OSWALD was Russian Agent nor did he feel any other Russian speaking guests at the party felt OSWALD was Russian agent, but that they felt OSWALD was "crazy". Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE DeMOHRENSCHILDT interviewed by State Department in Haiti. Mrs. DeMOHRENSCHILDT recalls seeing gun at apartment of OSWALD in about April, 1963. OSWALD interviewed by ... Postal Inspector, Dallas, morning 11-24-63, at which time he denied emphatically having taken part in or having had any knowledge of, the shooting of a Dallas policeman or the President. MARINA OSWALD, wife of subject, states she does not recall OSWALD being connected with any firm called Texas Import-Export Company, Fort Worth, Texas. Also states she knows of no Russian officials or intelligence officers that OSWALD contacted in Russia except those individuals contacted for purpose of obtaining necessary documents relating to his

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stay in Russia or his subsequent departure with her. established at Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, on 11-24-63 after OSWALD shot but prior to death to take dying declaration, but none obtained. Investigation concerning information obtained from subject's address book conducted. Several individuals crossing border at Nuevo Laredo 9-26-63 interviewed but failed to recall OSWALD. OSWALD identified in photographs taken by New Orleans TV Station WDSU, 8-16-63, showing him giving out handbills. OSWALD when renting P. O. s Box 6225, Dallas, 11-1-63, indicated name of his firm as "Fair Play for Cuba Committee". OSWALD's known writings which include a diary of his activities in Russia, his views on various political subjects, a composition concerning the factory in which he was employed in Russia and description of Minsk, Russia, set forth verbatim. Correspondence to his mother and brother set forth partially in verbatim form and partially in summary form. Descriptions of official documents of OSWALD including his Russian hunting license and Russian union card, set out. Letters received by OSWALD in Russian language from Russian friends summarized. Official documents of MARINA OSWALD, including her Russian worker's book, birth certificate, military identification booklet, union member's book, summarized. Correspondence received by MARINA OSWALD in Russian language from friends, summarized.

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I. ADDITIONAL ASSASSINATION WITNESSES

Date

ROBERT/MAC NEIL, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) News Correspondent, on evening of November 30, 1963, furnished the following typewritten statement, signed by him, to Special Agents GERALD V. CASWELL and JAMES J. ROGERS as these agents were leaving NBC offices, 30 Rockefeller flaza, Manhattan, New York.

"Just before the shooting of the President in and Dallas on November 22, I was riding in the first press bus of the motorcade, some seven or eight cars behind the president. On hearing the shots I got out of the bus immediately and followed some police officers who were running up the grass 🥾 🚓 🦠 slope to the right of the road on which the President was shot. We climbed a fence and I followed the police who appeared to ា be chasing someone, or under the impression they were chasing someone, across the railroad tracks. Wanting to phone news of the shooting, I left there and went to the nearest place that looked like an office. It was the Texas School Book Depository. I believe I entered the front door about four minutes after the shooting. I went immediately into the clear space on the ground floor and asked where there was a phone. There were, - as I recall, three men there, all I think in shirt sleeves. What, on recollection, strikes me as possibly significant is that all three seemed to be exceedingly calm and relaxed, compared to the pandemonium which existed right outside their front door. I did not pay attention to this at the time. I asked the first man I saw -- a man who was telephoning from a phone by a pillar in the middle of the room. -- where I could . call from. He directed me to another man nearer the door, who pointed to an office. When I got to the phone, two of the lines were already lit up. I made my call and left. I do not believe any police officers entered the building before me or until I left. I was in too much of a hurry to remember what the three men there looked like. But their manner was very relaxed. My New York news desk has since placed the time of my call at 12:36 Dallas time

NBC News Correspondent
New York
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MAC NEIL did not furnish any additional information at that time as he had to leave immediately on an assignment.

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On December 16, 1963, the following individuals were contacted at the Union Terminal Company, Union Station, Dallas, Texas, and each advised they had no record of a current or repent employee by the name of (FNU) BRENNAN:

BOB DAVIS, and Mrs. MARIE TULBY, Vice-President's Office, 400 South Houston.

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A check of city directories for Dallas failed to indicate an individual named BRENNAN who had as his employment the Union Terminal Company.

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On December 13, 1963, SA CHARLES T. BROWN, Jr., noted in the "Dallas Times Herald" newspaper, the following /eX information in a column written by WELDON OWENS. The column, entitled Cross Country, "revealed Mrs. RUTH MARSHALL SMITH, described as the wife of CHARLES SMITH, a "Dallas Times Herald" employee, and Mr. MARVIN GAGE, employee, Department of Public Welfare, were eye witnesses to the assassination of President KENNEDY. In the article by OWENS, it is indicates these witnesses observed the assassination from the windows of the Old Dallas Court House building.

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on the second floor balcony of the old red courthcuse located on Main Street, Dallas, Texas. She noted that the Texas School Book Dapository is not visible from this balcony as the corner of the courthouse obstructs the view.

She had been there approximately thirty minutes when the motorcade of President KENNEDY passed turning right on Houston Street shortly thereafter. The President's car passed out of her vision when it turned right on Houston Street but came back into sight after turning onto Elmunication.

After the motorcade had passed, she was watching a newsman on Main Street in front of the balcony when she heard what she felt was a shot. She stated there was a pause then two more shots fairly close together. At this time people seemed to panic and were dashing in all directions. She looked back toward President KENNADY's car after the first shot and thinks he raised his hands to his face. The car seemed to slow or perhaps stop after the first shot and then just after the third shot a Secret Service man from the second car ran up to the rear of the President's car and threw himself into the rear seat. The car immediately sped away.

Mrs. SMITH stated there were a number of people on the balcony, but the only one she could recall specifically was MARVIN C. GAGB who is employed in the Public Welfare Department. She said most of the people on the balcony did not realize President MENNEDY had been shot thinking that the shots were fireworks or that the Secret Service had shot someone in the crowd.

Mrs. SMITH stated she had never seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD and did not know either OSWALD or JACK RUBY and knew of no association between them.

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MARVIN CXUAGE, 8319 Banque, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information:

He is employed as a <u>Surervisor in the State Velfare</u>
Department, Old Courthquee Bullding, Dallas, Texas, and on
November 22, 1963, was watching out the window of the second
floor of that building. You cannot see the Texas School Book
Depository Building from this window as the courthouse obstructs
the view. He advised he heard the three shots, but did not know
what they were, and thought they were fireworks or backfires,
and did not realize the Fresident had been shot. He was actually
watching the motorcade as it came down Main Street and could not
see it after it turned on to Houston Street.

eax the President shot, nor did he know of anyone who had seen OSWALD.

RUBY, nor did he know of any association between them.

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JACK EDWIN DOUGHERTY, 1827-S. Marsalais, employee of Texas School Book Depository, was reinterviewed to clarify information previously furnished by him to PBI on November 22, 1963, in relation to information furnished by him to Dallas Police Department on same date.

JACK X DOUGHERTY advised that he arrived at work at the Texas School Book Depository just prior to 7:00 AM.on November \$2, 1963;

DOUGHERTY stated that he saw LEE HARVEY OSVALD, who had been working there for just a few weeks, at approximately 8:00 AM when he, OSVALD, arrived. He stated that he saw OSVALD again at approximately 11:00 AM on the 6th floor but did not see him again after that.

DOUGHERTY stated that Just prior to 12:00 PM he and five other men were working on the 6th floor. He said that the others were WILLIAM SHELLE, DAN ARCE, BONNIE WILLIAMS, BILL LUVELADY, and CHARLES GIVENS.

DOUGHERTY stated that he worked on the 6th floor until 12:00 PM at which time he went to the 1st floor to eat his lunch. He said he went back to work at approximately 12:45 PM, at which time he returned to the 6th floor. He stated that as soon as he arrived on the 6th floor, he went down to the 5th floor to get some stock.

DOUGHERTY stated that it was while he was on the 5th floor that he heard a loud noise. He said that it appeared to have come from within the building but could not tell where. He said that he went down to the 1st floor and saw a man, EDDIE PIPER; and asked him if he had heard a loud noise, and PIPER told him that he had heard three loud noises. He also told him that someone had just shot the President.

DOUGHERTY stated that he then went back to the 6th floor. He said that he used the elevator to go up and when he went back up there, there was no one on the 6th floor. He stated that the five other men whom he had previously mentioned had gone down to the lat floor to watch the President go by.

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EDDIF PIPER, 3402 Munger Street, employee Texas School Book Depository, 411 Elm Street, was interviewed concerning his being at the book store on November 22, 1963. He advised he came to work at his usual time, 10:00 A.M., November 22, 1963, and during the course of his morning employment had seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD, a fellow employee, filling orders on the first floor. He did not recall the specific time he saw OSWALD, stating it was shortly after he got to work and stated this was the only time he saw OSWALD on that particular day.

Approximately 12:30 P.M., he was standing inside the first floor of the Texas School Book Depository looking out the window at the crowd of people who had gathered to view the Presidential Motorcade. While looking out the window, he heard what he believed to be three shots and saw people running, and later determined the President had been shot. He did not view the Presidential Motorcade itself inasmuch as the crowd was in his line of sight, and did not see LEE HARVEY OSWALD after the shots were fired. He advised he never works beyond the fourth floor in the school book building and did not have an occasion on that date to go above the fourth floor, and, further, during his course of employment, he had never entered into any discussions of any kind with LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He advised he knew nothing about OSWALD and did not know JACK RUBY, and could offer no pertinent information of value.

by Special Agent B RICHARD B. HARRISON Date dictated 12-20-63

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The following investigation was conducted by SA ALLAN D. BRAY.

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

Officer Barker, Highland Park Police Department, on December 20, 1963, advised that he had been contacted by James Scrugs of 3215 O'Bannon Road (telephone FE 7-7394) concerning information relating to the death of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. BARKER stated SCRUGS had a reel of undeveloped color film depicting President KENNEDY from the time he alighted from his plane to the time of his assassination. Mr. SCRUGS has indicated that he would be willing to lend his film to the FBI for purposes of development and examination.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DAVID H. BARRY.

AT DALLAS, TEXAS

On December 21, 1963, Mr. PREDALA GRONE of Orand Buick Company, 2128 Cedar Springs, Dallas, Texas, advised that JAMES A. SCRUGGS, formerly employed by Freeman Oldsmobile at 3625 Inwood Road, was now employed at Orand Buick in the body shop.

On December 21, 1963, Mr. MARLIN A SIMPSON, Irving, Texas (BL 5-4516) advised that he is Foreman of the body shop at Orand Buick, 2128 Cedar Springs, and that JAMES A. SCRUGGS of 3215 O'Bannon is employed under his supervision. Mr. SIMPSON advised that Mr. SCRUGGS worked until noon on Saturday, December 21, 1963, but could not be expected to be available until Monday, December, 23, 1963 when he might be reached at the body shop.

On December 21, 1963, efforts to locate Mr. SCRUGGS at his residence address were without success.

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	JAMES H. #SUN-41665

JAMES ROBERT SCRUGGS, age 16, 3215 O'Bannon Drive,

Dallas, Texas, was interviewed at his place of employment,

Orand Buick, 2128 Cedar Springs, Dallas, in the presence of his
father, JAMES D. SCRUGGS, also employed at Orand Buick.

JAMES ROBERT SCRUGGS advised that he took 8 mm color films at Love Field, Dallas, Texas when President JOHN F. KENNEDY disembarked from the Presidential aircraft at Love Field. SCRUGGS said that shortly thereafter he went to the intersection of Mockingbird Lane and Lemmon Avenue and took more pictures of President KENNEDY and the Presidential Motorcade, turning from Mockingbird on to Lemmon. SCRUGGS advised that he did not take any photographs in downtown Dallas, Texas of the assassination of President KENNEDY; however, he would be happy to make these films available at any time deemed necessary.

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Mr. J. D. LEFLORE, Jee Hoppe Company, 3108 Live Oak, stated he was recently contacted by an Agent of the Dallas FBI Office, at which time the Agent hade inquiry regarding a green pickup truck that was observed stopped in front of the Texas School Book Depository building shortly before the Presidential Metorcade arrived at that location on November 22, 1963.

Mr. LeFLORE said neither he nor other persons at the Joe Hoppe Company could furnish information at that time, but since that time they have been on the lookout for a green pickup with the words "air conditioning" on the side in black letters in the shape of a crescent. He said such a vehicle was observed, by a Mr. FOSTER who works in the company's Parts Department on December 22, 1963. The vehicle was a Chevrolet pickup, was parked at Beckley and Brookhaven, and has 1963 Texas license 3J 947.

Mr. Leflore said he has no additional information regarding the pickup, but was reporting the above for any value it might be to the investigation being conducted.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE T. BINNEY, at Dallas, Texas:

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On December 27, 1963, a review of the records of the Texas Highway Department, revealed that 1963 Texas license 3J 947 was issued to PREDALEETH, 1304 Arbor Vita, Dallae, Texas, on a 1959 Ford pickup.

FRED WALLETH

On December 30, 1963, Sergeant M. A. SUTHERIAND,
Dallas, Texas, Police Department, Record Bureau, advised
that a review of records of his department revealed no
record identifiable with PRED LEETH, 1304 Arbor Vita,
Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. BIRDIE SUP BELCHER, Merchants Retail Credit
Bureau of Dallas, on December 30, 1963, advised that records
of her office reveal that PRED W. LEETH, 1304 Arbor Vita,
Dallas, Texas, has been known to her office since October 7,
1946. His credit record was checked last on January 20,
1956, at which time his employment was listed as the Leeth
Company, self-employed in the refrigerator and airconditioning business. He was previously employed as of 1946 with
Southern Refrigeration Company. His previous address was
listed as 417 Lancaster, Dallas, Texas. His wife's name
is BILEEN LEETH. As of 1956, FRED W. LEETH was 51 years
of age. Mrs. BELCHER advised that records of her office
revealed no derrogatory information regarding Mr. or Mrs.
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PRED LEETH, 1304 Arbor Vita, was interviewed at his residence, at which time he was advised of the identity of the interviewers as Special Agents of the PBI. Mr. LEETH was questioned as to where he was working on November 22, 1963, whereupon he furnished the following informations

LEBTH was working on an airconditioning job in the vicinity of Inwood and Lemmon Streets, Dallas, Texas, in connection with a building project on a large drive-in. At no time during the day, on November 22, 1963, did LEETH have occasion to drive to the vicinity of the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) building, and on that date he had no occasion to drop anyone off in the vicinity of the TSBD. He stated that his truck was with him during the day of November 22, 1963, and there would be no possibility that his truck would have been near the TSBD.

Mr. LEETH denied driving a man to the TSBD in his truck and letting a man out of the truck on November 22, 1963. He also denied having any knowledge of anyone driving a pickup truck with the word airconditioning on the side in, or around, the vicinity of the TSBD on November 22, 1963.

During the course of this interview, it was noted that Mr. LEETH has a light green, 1962 Ford, airconditioned, equipment truck, which was parked in his driveway at the time of interview. It was noted that the word airconditioning was on the side of the truck in black letters; however, the letters were not in the shape of a crescent.

Mr. LEETH noted that the intersection of Beckley and Brookhaven Streets is in the close proximity of his residence.

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Lieutenant Colonel B. E. BOYD, Region 2, Army Intelligence Corps, Dallas, Texas, made available a Kodachrome transparency of a scene depicting the Texas School Book Depository Building, which Lieutenant Colonel BOYD stated had been taken by Mr. JAMES N. W. POWELL of Region 2, INTC.

Lieutenant Colonel BOYD advised that POWELL had stated he took this photograph approximately 30 seconds after the last shot was fired on November 22, 1963, during the assassination of President KENNEDY. According to Lieutenant Colonel BOYD, POWELL indicated he took the picture of the building because several people were pointing to it.

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JAMES W. POWELL, Special Agent, Region II, 112th INTC, Army Intelligence Corps, 912 Rio Grande Building, advised that on November 22, 1963 he had taken a photograph of the Texas School Book Depository and later turned this photograph in the form of a Kodachrome transparency over to Lieutenant Colonel E. E. BOYD, Region II, Army Intelligence Corps, Dallas.

Mr. POWELL stated that the Kodachrome transparency was obtained from a photograph of the Texas School Book Depository building which was taken, to his best estimate, approximately 30 seconds following the shots fired at President KENNEDY. POWELL: was approximately one-half block east of the intersection of the Blm and Houston, and the Presidential Motorcade had already turned west on Blm, when he heard the shots fired at President KENNEDY. He then ran to the southeast corner of the Blm and Houston Street intersection and, seeing some people pointing to the Texas School Book Depository building, he took the picture. To his best recollection, this picture was taken at 1/25th of a second at F-11 with his Minolta 35 mm camera, set at infinity, POWELL believes the film used was Kodachrome X with ASA setting Noting of 64. He had the film processed at the Cardinal Card and Camera Store, Dallas, Texas. POWELL stated that he took the picture from across the street in a diagonal direction from the Texas School Book Depository, and estimated the distance as approximately 100 feet.

POWELL stated that upon development, the film disclosed the Texas School Book Depository, and on about the fifth floor, a Negro male was observed in one of the windows. POWELL stated that he could not see anything otherwise significant in this picture.

POWELL stated that he recalls having heard two shots fired and possibly a third. He recalls having questioned a man in the vicinity of the entrance of the Texas School Book Depository, however, he did not obtain the man's identity inasmuch as the Dallas Police Department immediately took the man under control for questioning. POWELL believes this man was a beer company employee.

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RALPH IEON YATES, employee, Texas Butcher Supply Company (TBSC), 2038 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas, was reinterviewed at which time he stated on or about November 20 or 21, 1963, his reason for going to Charlie's Meat Market in Wynnewood Shopping Center was to pick up a small check which was payable to TBSC. He stated he did not perform any maintenance work on the equipment at Charlie's Meat Market, and that upon picking up the aforementioned check, he then proceeded to Irving, Texas as he has previously advised.

YATES advised he could furnish no additional information concerning this matter.

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THOMAS AYRES, employee, Charlie's Ranch Meat Market, 249 Wynnewood Village, Dallas, Texas, advised he was on duty on November 20 and 21, 1963, however, he does not recall giving a check to an employee of Texas Butcher Supply Company (TBSC), Dallas, Texas.

AYRES advised to the best of his knowledge, only one check is issued to TBSC each month, this being payment for refrigeration equipment.

THOMAS AYRES reviewed the check stubs for Charlie's Ranch Meat Market in an effort to locate a stub indicating a check was issued to TBSC on or about November 20 or 21, 1963, with negative results.

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DONALD ASK, employee, Charlie's Ranch Meat Market, 249 Wynnewood Village, Dallas, Texas, advised he was on duty on November 20 and 21, 1963, however, he does not recall giving a check to an employee of Texas Butcher Supply Company (TBSC), Dallas, Texas.

MASK advised to the best of his knowledge, only one check is issued to TBSC each month, this being payment for refrigeration equipment.

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II. TRACING OF WEAPONS CONNECTED WITH
LEE HARVET OSWALD

- A. Tracing of Sling for Assassination Wespon
- B. Alleged Target Practice by LEE HARVEY
 OSWALD
- C. Smith & Wesson .38 Caliber Weapon,
 Serial No. V510210
 - D. Alleged Gun Repair Associate

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A. Tracing of Sling for Assassination Weapon

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Mr. LEON/RD CALVERLEY, foreman, Camera Department,
Jaggars - Chiles - Stovall, Inc., 522 Browder, advised that
he was the immediate supervisor of LEE HARVEY OSWALD during
the time OSWALD was employed by that company. Mr. CALVERLEY
was shown a photograph of the leather sling used as a rifle
sling on the rifle used in the assassination of President JOHN
F. KENNEDY, although he was not told the use of this object.
Mr. CALVERLEY said that he had never seen such an article in
OSWALD's possession, and that this article was not any property
of Jaggars - Chiles - Stovall, Inc., however, he believed that
this article looked like a camera case strap.

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WILLIAM G. BROOKHART

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The following persons were interviewed on the indicated dates, and they were displayed two photographs of the sling taken from the rifle used in the assassination of President JOHN P. KENNEDY. These persons were not advised of the source or the identity of the sling; however, each was asked if he could furnish information as to the identity and source of this article. All advised they could furnish no information as to the source sof this article; however, each person indicated that he believed the leather article was a guitar straps

December 19, 1963
BOB K VAUGHT, Manager
Leather Department
Buddy Schoellkopf Products
8200 Sovereign Row
Dallas, Texas

December 19, 1963
OTIS HXWHITWORTH, Salesman
Red's Trading Post
1922 Bast Irving Boulevard
Irving, Texas

December 19, 1963
PAUL/SIMON
Music Education Institute
619 East Irving Boulevard
Irving Taxas

December 19, 1963
HAROLD BECK,
Assistant Manager
Leather Department
Buddy Schoellkopf
Products, 8200 Sovereign
Row, Dallas, Texas

December 19, 1963 ED/FULBRIGHT Ed's Pawn Shop 616 East Irving Blvd. Irving, Texas

December 19, 1963
DENNY/THRELKELD
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603 East-Irving Blvd.
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The following persons were displayed the above described leather sling, and all advised they had no information as to its identity or use:

December 19, 1963
ARTHUR W HAC ARTHUR
Manager; Texas Army and
Rifle Store
1021 Irving Boulevard
Irving, Texas

December 19, 1963

W. A KGRAVES, Salesman

City Swap Shop

1920 East Irying Boulevard

Irving, Texas

December 19, 1963
JEAN GILLILAND, owner
City Swap Shop—
1920 East Irving Blvd.
Trving, Texas—

December 19, 1963
LARRY PORTER, owner
Porter's Sales Company
600 East Irving Boulevard
Irving, Texas

December 18, 1963
ROBERT L STOVALL
President
Jaggars - Chiles - Stovall, Inc.
522 Browder
Dallas, Texas

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The following persons were interviewed on December 20, 1963. They were displayed two phdographs of the leather sling taken from the rifle used in the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. The persons interviewed were not advised of the identity of the leather sling or the source from which it came. They were asked if they knew the source of the leather sling, its use, or manufacture. All advised they could furnish no information regarding this leather sling:

CHARLES TALLIS, Vice President, The Schoellkopf Company, 806 Jackson Street:

GEORGE A NORSWORTHY, President, The Schoellkopf Company:

GEORGE HANSON, Foreman, Leather Goods and Scabbard Division, The Schoellkopf Company;

HARRY BARTLETT, Production Manager, The Schoellkopf Company;

BILL FORTS, ORDER, Potts-Knaur Leather Company, 3141
Oak Grove, Dallas.

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B. Alleged Target Practice by LEE HARVEY OSWALD

WILLIAM J. HONEA, Route 2, Box 442, Irving, Texas, was advised of the identity of the interviewers as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Mr. HONEA furnished the following informations

On the afternoon of Sunday, December 1, 1963, HONEA was driving his Jeep exploring the area near a high tension electrical tower southeast of Texas Highway 183 above a bend in the Elm fork of the Trinity River. He found two cardboard ammunition boxes marked Italian 6.5 near the high tension electrical tower on the ground.

Mr. HONEA stated he subsequently turned the ammunition boxes over to the Dallas County Sheriff's Office in view of having read of the type of ammunition used in the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY.

Mr. HONEA accompanied interviewing Agents to the vicinity of a high tension electrical tower southeast of Texas Highway 183 above a bend in the Elm fork of the Trinity River and indicated the area where he had found the ammunition boxes. The area is a relatively flat rise of land overlooking the bend of the Elm fork. The opposite banks of the Elm fork, approximately one-fourth mile away, are eroding; and there is no visible indication that ammunition has been fired into any area of the banks of the Elm fork.

A search of the area indicated by Mr. HONEA by the interviewing Agents revealed no spent ammunition or ejected rifle shells or other material of an evidentiary nature.

Mr. HONEA stated that from time to time in the past he has noted that individuals have fired rifles in the vicinity of the Elm fork of the Trinity River diversionary channel below the John W. Carpenter Freeway. Mr. HONEA accompanied interviewing.

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Agents to this area. A search of the area revealed no spent ammunition, ejected ammunition shells or any other material of an evidentiary nature.

Mr. HONEA advised that this was not unusual because people engaged in target practice generally picked up spent rounds of ammunition for self-reloading. On December 12, 1963, Chief M. W. XSTEPHENSON, Dallas Police Department, supplied the following information to SA EMORY E. HORTON:

Mr. W. A. THOMPSON, Thompson Tool Company, 2328 Lansford Street, phone Riverside 8-4165, came by his office at 10:10 AM, and gave following information:

He had read in the morning paper where witnesses had identified OSWALD as practicing on range near Grand Prince; that at the time he was at the range he was accompanied by another white male and gave a meager description.

Mr. THOMPSON employed one HENRY O. CHENYWORTH, white male, age approximately 25, 6'3", dark hair, about two weeks before President was slain. He gave his address as 306 East Seventh Street, Dallas. He worked up to the weekend of November 22, 1963. He did not show up for work on Monday, November 25, 1963. The shop was open that date. He came back and worked Tuesday, November 26, 1963. The next time he showed up was Friday, November 29, 1963. He came by early and stated he was leaving and would send someone to pick up his check later in the day. Around noon he returned to the shop and Mr. THOMPSON paid him and asked him when he would be back to work. He stated he did not know, that his brother in Jasper, Texas, was sick, was in the hospital, and they wanted him to go there to stay with his brother.

Mr. THOUPSON advised he has not seen him since. He stated the day the President was slain, he heard CHENYWORTH say to another employee, BENNY REEVES, "I bet I will know who did it by morning" When CHENYWORTH picked up his check, he also remarked to REEVES, "I don't know whether I will be around by morning, I may be in jail".

THOMPSON stated after reading the paper he thought possibly if the story were authentic this subject may have been the other man referred to as being with OSWALD.

He stated two or three times while CHENTWORTH worked for him he was picked up in the afternoon, when getting off duty, by a woman driving a 1953 to 1954 Ford, a dirty white and light brown 2

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two tone color, and as many as two or three people were in the car on one or two occasions. CHENYWORTH stayed pretty well to himself and was a good worker. He did talk about the good deer hunting around Jasper and had planned to go to Jasper the weekend the President was killed. THOMPSON did not know whether he did go to Jasper.

THOMPSON said about December 4, 1963, a young white male came to his office and applied for a job, stating he lived at 308 East Seventh Street. He was not hired as he was not needed. On December 9, 1963, the same man came by again and applied for work. THOMPSON stated CHENYWORTH wore very large shoes (appeared boot type, the toes of which turned up) and that once or twice he had started to ask CHENYWORTH about the large shoes he was wearing.

THOMPSON said that on December 9, 1963, when the above young white male applied for a job, he was driving the car which had picked CHENYWORTH up when getting off work.

THOMPSON said CHENYWORTH was wearing dark green uniform with his name over the right shirt pocket when last seen.

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ERNIE COLLIER, 306 East Seventh Street, a structural iron worker, last employed by Fairway Construction Company, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed to establish whereabouts of HENRY O, CHENYWORTH and for purposes of obtaining background information concerning him.

COLLIER said that he had rented a room to HENRY O. CHENYWORTH at 306 East Seventh Street, Dallas, Texas, for a period of four or five weeks, ending December 20, 1963, CHENYWORTH being related in some way to Mrs. BOBBY COLLIER of Vida, Texas, COLLIER's sister-in-law.

CHENYWORTH left Dallas, Texas, on December 20, 1963, to return to his home near Jasper, Texas, at Peach Grove, where his mother and stepfather, as well as his grandparents, reside, their names unknown to COLLIER. CHENYWORTH's stepfather is a foreman at the Chicken Plant in Jasper, Texas. CHENYWORTH, having no car of his own, had hitchhiked to Jasper, Texas.

COLLIER said that CHENYWORTH never had expressed anything to him which would indicate he had knowledge concerning LEE HARVEY OSWALD. On November 21, 1963, Thursday evening prior to the assassination, CHENYWORTH was at the COLLIER home watching television. On Friday, November 22, 1963, Mrs. COLLIER had taken CHENYWORTH to and from his work at Thompson Tool Company, 2328 Lansford, Dallas, Texas, in the QULIER 1954 two tone white and brown Ford, as had been the custom of COLLIER and his wife. On Friday evening, November 22, 1963, and throughout the weekend which followed, CHENYWORTH was at the COLLIER residence. COLLIER said he had not permitted him the use of the COLLIER Ford; whenever and wherever CHENYWORTH ventured, the COLLIERs had provided the transportation.

CHENYWORTH had no associates in Dallas, his friends being limited to the COLLIERS and another roomer, RAY GAULDOCK, who had moved there from Spokane, Washington, since the assassination. According to COLLIER, GAULDOCK had twice applied for work, without success, at Thompson Tool Company where CHENYWORTH had been employed.

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CHENYWORTH worked at Thompson Tool Company only a short time; quit because he was too lazy to work, in the opinion of COLLIER. After this, he had worked briefly as a rodman in highway construction at Dallas, but quit, again only to relax about the COLLIER house watching television and playing with the COLLIER children.

COLLIER, who said that he considered CHENYWORTH to be a loyal American, and favorable to the administration of President JOHN F. KENNEDY, described CHENYWORTH as follows:

HENRY O CHENYWORTH Race White Sex Male Age 20 5'11" to 6' Height Weight Black; wavy Hair Unknown Eyes Marital Status Single Automobile None Jasper, Texas, in community Residence

Date January 3, 1964

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BOBBY JOE REEVES, Route 1, Red Oak, Texas, employee of Thompson Tool Company, 2328 langsford Street, Dallas, Texas, telephone RI. 8-4165, advised he has known HENRY O. CHENYWORTH for approximately five weeks.

Tool Company on or about November 15, 1963 and continued his employment until approximately November 25, 1963.

REEVES advised on November 22, 1963 when news was first received on the assassination of President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY in Dallas, Texas, CHENYWORTH made the statement: "I bet I will know who did this by morning". REEVES advised he could not give an explanation as to why CHENYWORTH would make such a statement, and, in his opinion, he felt that CHENYWORTH was just a "bragging, country hick".

REEVES advised CHENYWORTH had made a statement to the effect that he, CHENYWORTH, may be in jail by the next morning, and the only reason he (REEVES) could give for 'this was the fact that CHENYWORTH had indicated he had received a speeding ticket earlier during the month and that the police may be looking for him.

REEVES advised he had furnished the aforementioned information to Mr. W. A. THOMPSON, his supervisor, inasmuch as CHENYWORTH failed to return to his employment after November 2: 1963.

REEVES advised he was convicted in Federal Court for mail theft and has served time on two different occasions.

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C. Smith & Wesson .38 Caliber Weapon, Serial No. V510210

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On December 12, 1963, Confidential Informant, Dallas T-1 advised that information had been received from Mr. SUCHER, President of International Firearms Company, Limited, 1011 Bleury Street, Montreal, Canada, to the effect that a list of the numbers had been forwarded to the George Rose and Company, Incorporated, Los Angeles, California, together with the order for the 400 Smith and Wesson revolvers. Informant advised that when hand firearms are sold at wholesale or are exported from Canada, the company is not compelled to keep records of serial numbers, although such companies usually do for their own information.

According to Informant, Mr. SUCHER had advised that the list of numbers submitted might refer either to the serial number or assembly number, but the numbers listed were those appearing on the revolvers shipped to George Rose and Company.

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Among LRE HARVEY OSWALD's personal effects examined after his arrest on November 22, 1963, there was noted an advertisement out of an unidentified publication in which Mershon Company, 1230 South Grand Avenue, Dept. GA-10, Los Angeles, California, advertised Mershon Custom Walnut Grips for hand guns. The advertisement contained the date "October, 1959" in longhand at the bottom.

It is pointed out that the PBI Laboratory examination of the Smith and Wesson .38 caliber weapon, Serial No. V510210, in OSWALD's possession when arrested, disclosed that the original grips on that weapon had been replaced. It is also pointed out that in October, 1959 OSWALD was en route to Russia.

On December 23, 1963, Mr. JERRY LUNDBIAD, Office Manager, Mershon Company, 1230 South Grand Avenue, Los Angeles, California, advised SA WILLIAM J. Mc CAULEY that records for 1958 and 1959, including correspondence and invoices, failed to disclose any sales identifiable with OSWALD and that no sales have been made to anyone in Russia for some years.

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D. Alleged Gun Repair Associate

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On December 19, 1963, Confidential Informant, Dallas T-21 advised that he had reason to suspect JOE C. TORBIS, Service Manager, Doran Chevrolet. Incorporated, Dallas, Texas, who had been an employee of that company for 15 years. He stated his suspicions were aroused because FORBIS has dealt in the repair of guns and the sale of ammunition.

Informant stated that on December 11, 1963, FORBIS submitted an order to the Western Gun and Supply Company, Lincoln, Nebraska, in the amount of \$21.44 for the purchase of ammunition and gun supplies. Informant further advised that he feels that PORBIS, who resides at 1213 English, Irving, Texas, may have had contact with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, although informant could furnish no real basis for this belief.

Mr. JOE C. FORBIS, Service Manager, Doran Chevrolet Company, Incorporated, 222 Main Street, Dallas, Texas, advised that he has a hobby of repairing guns of all types. He has a work shop at his home and is duly licensed under the National Firearms Act. He stated he mainly repairs weapons for friends and employees of the Doran Chevrolet Company.

PORBIS stated he is not acquainted with LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK L. RUBY and had never heard of either of them until President KENNEDY was assassinated. He stated he knows of no association between OSWALD and RUBY and that neither of these persons had ever been a customer of his.

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- III. RESULTS OF PBI LABORATORY AND OTHER RELATED EXAMINATIONS
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 - B. Latent Fingerprint Section, Identification Division, 'PBI Examinations'

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A. FBI Laboratory Examinations

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Under date of December 20, 1963, the PBI Laboratory furnished the following information concerning a photographic examination requested by the Dallas Office,

December 5, 1963:

Specimens received 12/6/63

K51 One Bell and Howell Zoomatic 8mm motion picture camera SN AS13486, obtained from Mr. Abraham Zapruder

Result of examination:

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The K51 8mm motion picture camera has been tested to determine the running speed of this camera, and it has been determined that this camera when operated at normal "RUN" speed operates at 18 1/3 frames per second.

While it is not possible to establish accurately from the film the moment of impact of the first two shots, applying the above camera speed to the film previously submitted which was exposed by Abraham Zapruder and which recorded the assassination, it has been determined that the best estimate of the elapsed time between the first and third shots lies between approximately five and six seconds. It is noted that the President's car moves behind a signboard at about the time of the first that, and the President's movements during this period are not observable. However, he begins to fall forward immediately upon emerging from behind the sign.

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Under date of December 27, 1963, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following information concerning a document examination requested by the Dallas Office on December 13, 1963:

"Specimens received 12/20/63

K52 A replica sack made at the Texas School Book
Depository Building from paper and tape available
in the shipping room of the Texas School Book
Depository

Result of examination:

It was determined that the paper and tape used for specimen K52 is different from the paper and tape used for the Q10 paper bag that was previously submitted in this case.

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Under date of December 20, 1963, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following information concerning an examination requested by the Dallas Office on November 27, 1963:

Specimens received November 27, 1963

Q228 Pamphlets entitled The Crime Against Cuba by Corliss Lamont (Dallas Item #303)

O229 Booklet entitled The Socialist Workers Party by Joseph hansen (Dallas Item #305)

Q230 Russian book dated 1962 at Sofia (Dallas Item #324)

Result of examination:

In these specimens certain letters, words and entire phrases have been excised.

No cryptographic significance could be attached to this material.

DL 100-10461 RPG:cv

Under date of Docember 18, 1963, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following information concerning a firearms examination requested by the Dallas Office on December 10, 1963:

Specimens received Docember 12, 1963

Q258 - Q261 Four 6.5 mm cartridge cases obtained from Mrs. VIRGINIA GOODWIN

Results of examination:

The four cartridge cases, Q258 through Q261, were compared with OSWALD's rifle, Kl. As a result of this comparison, it was determined that Q258 through Q261 could not have been fired in this rifle.

Under date of December 16, 1963, the FBI Laboratory furnished the following information concerning a document examination requested by the Dallas Office on December 13, 1963;

Specimens received December 14, 1983

Q265 Brown paper envelope bearing handwritten address."
"LBG OEWAld 601 West Nassaus St Dallas Texas,"
postmarked "IRVING, TEX. 5 30 AM 1963 (date illegible)

Q268 Accompanying portion of long, narrow paper bag and strip of brown corrugated paper

Result of examination

The papers of specimens Q265 and Q266 were found to differ in observable physical characteristics from the paper of specimen Q10, a wrapping paper in the shape of a large bag which was previously submitted and believed to have contained the assassination rifle.

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DL 100-10461 RPG:mja

Under date of December 23, 1963, the FBI Laboratory advised as follows concerning a firearms examination requested by the Dallas Office, on December 11, 1963:

Specimens received 12/16/63

Q267 - Q331 Sixty-five cartridge cases

Results of examination:

The 65 cartridge cases, Q267 through Q331, were examined and two of them were found to be the same caliber as Oswald's rifle, Kl. It was determined, however, that these two cartridge cases could not have been fired in Oswald's rifle.

DL 100-10461 RPG:mia

Under dite of December 17, 1963, the PBI Laboratory furnished the following information concerning a document examination requested by Confidential Informant Dallas T-3 on December 13, 1963:

Specimens received 12/16/63 from Confidential Informant,
Dallas T-3

Q332 Transportes Frontera bus company passenger list covering a trip made by bus No. 340 from Mexico City to Laredo, Texas, 10-2-3-63, bearing the name "Oswald" in the space for seat No. 4

Result of examinations

It was concluded that the name of the passenger and the destination on Line 4 of Q332 were not written by LEE HARVEY OSWALD, whose known writing appears on K4 and K5 in this case.

Due to the limited amount of comparable writing, no conclusion was reached whether the name and destination on Line 4 of Q332 were written by the writer of other entries on this specimen.