

## MASSIVE CHAIN OF FACTS

# Evidence Shows Oswald Acted Alone

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WASHINGTON—Just as some people believe Hitler still lives, there always will be some who claim that Lee Harvey Oswald did not kill President Kennedy and police officer J. D. Tippit.

Nevertheless, one of the most massive and scientific investigations in history concludes emphatically that Oswald, planning and acting alone, fired fatal shots into the President and Tippit.

The Warren Commission concludes that Oswald killed Kennedy and wounded Texas Gov. John Connally based on these facts:

1. The fatal shots were fired from a 6.5 Mannlicher-Carcano rifle found on the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository at Elm and Houston Streets. This gun was bought by and belonged to Oswald and bore his palm print on the day of the assassination.

2. The assassin had to fire from the sixth floor window of the depository building. Numerous fingerprints place Oswald at that window. And one eye-witness—heretofore kept secret—testified to seeing Oswald in the window and doing the shooting.

It was this eyewitness' description which led to the police pick-up order for Oswald, which resulted in Tippit's death.

3. Numerous experts testified that a rifleman with Marine training could have fired the fatal shots within the elapsed time of the assassination. Oswald was an ex-Marine with a "sharpshooter" and "marksman" ratings.

4. The murder rifle contained cotton fibers in the butt plate which matched the fibers in the shirt Oswald was wearing on the assassination day. FBI experts testified the fibers in the butt plate were new, indicating they became caught in the butt plate on the day of the assassination.

5. Oswald already had exhibited a capacity to kill. The commission found that Oswald attempted to murder former Maj. Gen. Edwin Walker on April 10, 1963 in Dallas.

The commission concluded that Oswald killed Tippit for the following reasons:

1. "Two eyewitnesses saw the Tippit shooting and seven eyewitnesses heard the shots and saw the gunman leave the scene with revolver in hand. These nine eyewitnesses positively identify Lee Harvey Oswald as the man they saw."

2. "The cartridge cases found at the scene of the shooting were fired by the revolver in the possession of Oswald at the time of

his arrest to the exclusion of all other weapons."

3. "Within 80 minutes of the assassination and 35 minutes of the Tippit killing, Oswald resisted arrest at the teater by attempting to shoot another Dallas police officer."

The commission's major conclusions against Oswald, of course, were buttressed by a large quantity of other evidence.

For example, the commission found a number of Oswalds fingerprints on a long paper bag, located near the sixth floor window.

This bag had apparently been constructed by Oswald at the book depository and it was the perfect size to contain a disassembled 6.5 Mannlicher-Carcano rifle and scope.

It also resembled the paper bag that Oswald carried to work that morning, telling his driving companion that the bag contained "curtain rods."