

JIM BISHOP: REPORTER

It's Garrison's Word And No Proof At All

LIKE a messiah, Jim Garrison wants the world to take his word — without proof. He denounces the United States government out of hand, but refuses to mention a name. "Lee Harvey Oswald was not the gunman," he says. "He was set up as a patsy by the United States Government, for which he worked."

What proof is there to the contrary?

Buell Wesley Frazier swears he drove Oswald to the school depository where they both worked. Frazier's sister, Mrs. Linnie Mae Randle, swears she was washing the breakfast dishes when she saw Oswald, at 7:15 a.m., walk to the carport and deposit a long slender package on the back seat of her brother's car. Backing out, Frazier saw the package and asked Oswald what was in it. "Curtain rods," he said.

Lee Harvey Oswald had a small room on North Beckley Avenue in Oak Cliff. Mrs. A. C. Johnson, who owns the house, had venetian blinds on the windows and curtains. She says Oswald never brought his own curtain rods, nor would she permit her own to be taken down. Oswald visited his estranged wife, Marina, at the home of her friend, Mrs. Ruth Paine, at 2515 West Fifth St., Irving, Texas, on weekends.

HE WAS cheap and brutal. He expected his wife to live on \$10 a week with two children. He beat her with his fists. On Nov. 22, 1963, for the first time, he left \$170 for her, and took \$13 and change for himself. He left his wedding ring. His rifle, a Mannlicher-Carcano 6.5, had been wrapped in a blanket in the Paine garage. On this day it was missing.

Between noon and 12:30, when President Kennedy was killed, these things happened at the Texas School Depository and in Dealey Plaza. In

each case, names are given:

Charles Givens, manning an elevator at the depository, saw Oswald on the 5th floor and told him that the employes were going downstairs to eat lunch and watch the parade. Did Oswald want to go? No, he didn't. A few minutes later, Givens took the elevator up to the sixth floor to retrieve cigarets he had left there, and found Oswald alone on that floor.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Rowland were on the grass in Dealey Plaza at 12:56 and he said: "Want to see a Secret Service man?" He pointed to

a man with a rifle at a sixth floor window of the depository. Mrs. Rowland was near-sighted. She couldn't see it. Amos Euins, 15-year-old high school boy, was fascinated watching the same window and actually saw the assassination.

* * *

SO DID steamfitter Howard Brennan, a grandfather, who sat on a small memorial wall and watched the shooting from the same window. Three Negro employes at the

depository watched the motorcade from the 5th floor. They heard the shots from directly over their heads, and heard the three empty shells hit the floor. Their names are Bonnie Ray Williams, James Jarman and Harold Norman.

Two hundred nine witnesses were found in Dealey Plaza. The vast majority agreed that there were three shots. Robert Jackson, photographer for the Dallas Times Herald, was in the motorcade, and swears he saw a rifle sticking out of a depository window. So did Malcolm Couch, a TV cameraman.

Photographs taken at the instant the shots were fired are, in themselves, revealing.

The Secret Service men on running boards are looking backward, toward the school depository building. Parents with children are running for safety up the grassy knoll, where Garrison and his friend Mark Lane claim an assassin was firing at Kennedy.

"Ten men were arrested in Dealey Plaza," says Garrison. "They were never booked." Any district attorney knows that one who is not booked is not arrested. "They were behind the arcade." He means the grassy knoll. I stood behind it with my wife last Nov. 22nd. It's a parking lot. There is a 5-foot-6-inch Indian paling fence, in addition to dense shrubbery, between it and Elm Street where Kennedy died.

It would be impossible to fire a shot from there at the motorcade. A railroad man said he saw "blue smoke" coming from the parking lot. Rifles don't emit puffs of blue smoke. Besides, Abraham Zapruder was standing right in front of the fence, making his tragic movie.

If sightseers with children ran toward a rifleman, up that grassy knoll, they must have all lost their minds at the same time.

To Be Concluded



Bishop

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. DeLoach _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Bishop _____
- Mr. Casper _____
- Mr. Callahan _____
- Mr. Conrad _____
- Mr. Felt _____
- Mr. Gale _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Sullivan _____
- Mr. Tavel _____
- Mr. Trotter _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

NOT RECORDED
199 APR 23 1968

"THE MIAMI HERALD"
MIAMI, FLORIDA
APRIL 9, 1968
PAGE 7-A