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The following investigation was conducted concerning an article appearing in the DALLAS TIMES HERALD newspaper on December 9, 1963, on Page 19, alleging that a live round of 6.5 ammunition had been found on the person of Lee Harvey Oswald at the time of his arrest on November 22, 1963, by officers of the Dallas Police Department. This article indicated that such information had come from a source who was not identified. The article inferred that the information relating to the finding of this live round of ammunition was in the hands of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

On March 20, 1964, Mr. Charles Dameron, Managing Editor, the DALLAS TIMES HERALD newspaper, advised that the story which appeared in the DALLAS TIMES HERALD of December 9, 1963, on Page 19, captioned "Live Shell Reported Found on Oswald" was material obtained from the Dallas Police Department. He stated there was no particular source involved other than Captain Will Fritz of the Homicide Bureau. Mr. Dameron stated he had checked on the information contained in this article and found that the live round of 6.5 ammunition was not taken from the person of Oswald, but was found at the crime scene where the shooting of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy by Lee Harvey Oswald had allegedly occurred.

Mr. Dameron stated that in the confusion during that period, the newspaper had reported that the live round of 6.5 rifle ammunition had been taken off Oswald when he was arrested, rather than reported that it was found at the crime scene. Mr. Dameron advised that the DALLAS TIMES HERALD had no information which would indicate that more than one live round of 6.5 rifle ammunition was recovered by the Dallas Police Department. He stated Captain Will Fritz of the Homicide Bureau of the Dallas Police Department could further clarify this matter.

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On March 20, 1964, Captain Will Fritz, Homicide Bureau, Dallas Police Department, advised that one live round of 6.5 rifle ammunition was found in the chamber of the rifle at the time he examined the rifle at the crime scene where Lee Harvey Oswald allegedly shot President Kennedy. He stated the rifle was recovered not far from the window in the Texas School Book Depository which location was believed to have been used by Oswald at the time he shot President Kennedy.

Captain Fritz stated there was only one live round of 6.5 ammunition recovered and that no live round of 6.5 ammunition was recovered from the person of Oswald at the time he was arrested. He stated that the DALLAS TIMES HERALD newspaper had contacted him concerning this, and that they had reported the live round of 6.5 ammunition was recovered from Oswald's person when it should have been reported that this live round of 6.5 ammunition was actually recovered from the gun that Oswald was believed to have used in the shooting of the President. Captain Fritz stated the Dallas Police Department had recovered only one round of 6.5 ammunition and this was turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the night of November 22, 1963.