

# DALLAS IS WILLING TO BARE EVIDENCE

But Oswald Case Is Delayed

at Suggestion of U. S.

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DALLAS, Nov. 25 — Dallas

authorities were willing today to make public all their physical evidence connecting Lee Harvey Oswald with the murder of President Kennedy, but the release was postponed at the suggestion of Federal officials here and in Washington.

Two local authorities involved in the case, Chief of Police Jesse Curry and the Dallas County District Attorney Henry Wade, said they would like to place the evidence before the public. Both men added, however, that they would not do so if authorities in Washington wished otherwise.

A Justice Department source in Washington said that when they discuss a subject of such importance as the Oswald case they must be absolutely correct.

They said no pressure had been brought on officials here. They expressed confidence that the evidence would eventually be made public.

The report of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on the slaying will go first to President Johnson, who requested it.

## Conclusive Evidence

The Dallas police and Mr. Wade contend they have conclusive evidence that Oswald killed Mr. Kennedy and wounded

Gov. John B. Connally Jr. last Friday, and that he murdered a Dallas policeman, J. D. Tippitt, shortly afterward.

Chief Curry said today in a formal statement:

"When the investigation in the case of Lee Harvey Oswald is completed insofar as the Dallas police department is concerned, we intend to make the entire file public unless Federal authorities specifically request that some part be withheld and turned over to them.

Unless we are specifically instructed otherwise from Washington, we believe it can and should become public information. At this time, we cannot designate when the release will be made.

Mr. Wade said, in an interview:

"I feel that all the agencies [investigating the assassination] should release all their information on Oswald. I'm very agreeable to this evidence being released if no one in the Justice Department has any objection and if it's agreeable with them. I do not want to interfere in any way with any investigation that they might have going on."

## Map of Kennedy's Route

The police have already released descriptions of a number of pieces of evidence. Today Mr. Wade announced that authorities had also found a marked map, showing the course of the President's motorcade, in Oswald's rented room.

"It was a map tracing the location of the parade route," the district attorney said, "and this place [the Texas School Book Depository, a warehouse from which the fatal bullets were fired] was marked with a straight line."

Mr. Wade said Oswald had marked the map at two other places, "apparently places which he considered as a possibility" for an assassination. He said he had not personally seen the map and could not describe it further.

The district attorney said the police had traced the serial number of the murder weapon, an Italian rifle with a telescopic sight, to the Chicago mail-order house that had sold Oswald a rifle last spring.

Mr. Wade said that the Dallas police had obtained a palm print from the rifle that matched Oswald's hand.

Previously Mr. Wade and Gordon Shanklin, F.B.I. agent-in-charge here, had revealed other evidence against Oswald.

This evidence included other palm and fingerprints, ballistics tests on the assassin's bullets and descriptions by several witnesses of Oswald's actions and whereabouts on the day of the murders.

The district attorney said today that he had no knowledge of any connection between Oswald and his assassin, Jack Ruby of Dallas.

He referred to rumors circulating here to the effect that the two men had known each other before the President's death.

Sources in the Justice Department in Washington said that they had found no evidence of a conspiracy in the Dallas slayings.

One of Dallas's newspapers, The Times Herald, reported to-

day that the F.B.I. had been warned in an anonymous telephone call early Sunday that Oswald would be killed during the jail transfer.

Another topic of rumor and speculation here was Chief Curry. One report was that Oswald's death yesterday, 48 hours after the President's assassination on a downtown street, had caused the city government to lose faith in its police chief.

City Manager Elgin E. Cruik, the chief's superior, said today would not accept Mr. Curry's resignation even if it were offered. Other city officials expressed their faith in the chief.

The police department was criticized after the shooting of the President, Governor Connally and Patrolman Tippitt on Friday. Yesterday the criticism increased.

Among those who expressed confidence in the police was Bill Decker, sheriff of Dallas County.