

Text of Tass

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Following, as distributed in English by Tass, the Soviet press agency, is a dispatch from Moscow on the situation in Dallas:

The course of the investigation of the horrible crime in the American town Dallas testifies to its one-sidedness, bungling and, apparently, to reluctance to find the real killers of President Kennedy—this is how the actions

of the local police are evaluated in today's Izvestia by Soviet Lawyer I. Karpets, director of the All-Union Institute on the Causes [and] Measures of Preventing Crime.

Analyzing the reports on the progress of the investigation into this unprecedented crime, the author noted that from the very beginning the investigation was carried out not in the way investigations are done, and of course not in the way such a particular case should have been investigated.

We do not mention the fact that the police obviously did not undertake all the possible measures to prevent this heinous assassination, although it had every opportunity to do so.

Also strange is the haste with which Lee Oswald was presented to the pressmen, although at that moment the police obviously lacked evidence against him, and he himself emphatically professed his innocence. Besides, the author of the article finds suspicious the insistence with which the police tried to prove Oswald's connection with the Communist party and other progressive organizations, although, as he points out, it is absolutely clear that neither Oswald nor Jack Ruby, who killed Oswald, had anything to do with the above mentioned organizations.

Oswald's assassination in the police station in front of the eyes of millions of American televisioners seems absolutely fantastic, the article stresses.

The article analyzes also the other strange and obvious blunders of the Dallas police.

Summing up his thoughts, the author arrived at the conclusion that such an investigation "reminds the worst times" in the history of mankind—the times when Fascism came to power in Germany.

After the crime had been perpetrated, the Soviet jurist continues his analysis, the first the police should have done was to surround the house, to take immediate measures to detain and check the people there and, of course not to allow anyone to escape from the building. However, this was not done. The remnants of food the killer left behind were not investigated. The author of the article also considers that no opportunity was taken of the criminalistic possibilities to detect the surface colorless tracks of shoes on the spot where the criminal stood and walked.

The author of the article has also been surprised by the fact that the Dallas police did not work to establish definite versions. After detaining Lee Oswald the police said that there were no other suspects. "The lack of other suspects," Karpets remarks, "does not preclude that they exist in reality . . . for each jurist with the slightest qualification knows that Oswald could not plan and carry out such a murder alone."