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And More Deaths

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The death of Albert Guy Bogard, 41, on February 14, 1966, belongs in the same group as the shooting of Warren Reynolds, and the deaths of Edward Benevides, Harold Russell, Lee Bowers, and James Worrell. These men saw either the escaping Tippit killer or a suspicious character running from the assassination scene. The man Bogard took on a demonstration ride from Downtown Lincoln Mercury might have been one of the killers. Bogard saw and described the man using the name of Lee Oswald, and we contend this is the reason Bogard had to die. If the escaping killer and the running suspect had been Oswald, then all these deaths and the shooting of Reynolds would not have been necessary.

The connection of Edward Benevides has been explained more fully in a previous chapter.

On Nov. 9, 1963, salesman Bogard showed a new Mercury automobile to a man using the name of "Lee Oswald." The two took a demonstration drive with the prospect at the wheel and drove at a high rate of speed (See Vol. X, p 354). The prospect said he would not have the money for a couple of weeks, but he would then pay cash for the car. Bogard had to ask twice before the man said his name was "Lee Oswald."

On November 22, 1963, Bogard was among a group of salesmen standing around a radio at the Lincoln Mercury business. When the announcement was made that Lee Oswald had been captured, Bogard took one of his business cards from his pocket on the back of which was scribbled the name "Lee Oswald." Bogard tore the card to bits, threw it in a waste basket and commented: "He won't want to buy a car." Several salesmen present heard the comment.

We believe the men in this group who have met with either shooting or death were seeing a false Oswald. Had the real Oswald been killed either in the Texas Theater, or what seems more likely to us, at the back door of the Theater, these deaths would not have been necessary.

Adding to the Bogard incident, we have learned

that there was a man using the name "Lee Oswald" seeking employment as a sand blaster at the Dal-Land Memorials at 116 West Commerce. This company also does sand blasting and is located just cross the Trinity River from the Downtown Lincoln Mercury place of business. This man came to the marble works for four or five days, and even went out on jobs with the employees seeking employment. He left a jacket, a cap and a pair of shoes at the firm. These items were picked up a

A few months after the assassination by a person using a fictitious reason for being at the place of business. He claimed a woman at The Dallas Morning News wanted the items for souvenirs.

This marble works "Lee Oswald" was a chain smoker and bragged constantly about having driven a green 1956 pickup truck from California to Texas. The pickup, he told other sandblasters, was in a garage for an overhaul.

Shortly after Bogard gave his testimony, he was badly beaten in Dallas and had to be hospitalized. As soon as he could be released from the hospital, he left the area for a few months. During this time, Bogard was married to a woman from Northern Arkansas who had a beauty shop in Shreveport, Louisiana. He later divorced and was engaged to a woman in Dallas at the time of his death.

Bogard was from Hallsville, Louisiana. He was found dead in his car at the Cemetery of Hallsville on St. Valentine's day of 1966. A hose had been connected to the exhaust and the other end inside the car with windows up. The ruling was suicide.