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505 (Sect. 21)

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Early Draft of  
Doc's. 505

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### Programming Early Evidence Folder

The text here is an elaboration of what is already written down:

1. Point: Belmont to Tolson 11/22/'64 major point here: Notes that Hoover in touch with LBJ and the <sup>&</sup> now president wanted Hoover to get on top of the case and solve it asap . . .
2. Drain account 11/26/'63 105-82555-505. . . He notes that the evidence package he took from Dallas on 11/23 at 3:10 a.m. aboard a U.S. Air Force Tanker c-135 . . . He was accompanied on this flight w. SS Agent Winston Lawson. . . (not by any officer of the Dallas PD to assure the integrity of the evidence. This is something I will follow up with Armstrong "Harvey & Lee" and Malcolm's notes . . . The evidence was returned to Dallas and returned to Capt. Fritz. . . His account is far from the truth when he notes that the 10 items in this report is the evidence package he returned to the Dallas PD. . . This document written after Oswald's murder. . . (The case was mooted and there would be no trial and the evidence would not be tested in a trial . . . Review this doc. to make case that the evidence listed does not nail down Oswald as the shooter. . . \*\*\*\*
3. I have made note w/ this document on p. 182 re: 4 cardboard boxes "not previously examined on 11/24/'63 but first submitted to FBI lab on

Key Doc

11/27/'63. . . (see 105-82555-4997) . . . Did all or one of these boxes have Oswald's prints? .

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carefully*

4. Add here to evidence. 3 that Q13 bullet taken from Tippit (by Dr. Mollendorf) was "so badly mutilated that there was not sufficient microscopic characteristics present for identification purposes." Note in passing (my own comments here) that FBI made no effort to contact Dr. Rose who extracted 3 bullets from officer Tippit at Parkland Memorial Hosp. (That is, not until March 1964). . . Fiber tests could not id positively that they came from the blanket (Q12) ; no fibers found on K1 gun that could be associated with the Q12 blanket. The paper of the wrapping had same characteristics as the paper and tape from the TSBD (use West to destroy this argument. . . See Hal's WW I). . . Also "the inside surface of Q 10 (the paper bag did not disclose markings identifiable with the rifle, Programming Early Evidence, Folder # 1

K1."Notes also that the alleged photos of latent prints on K1 "too fragmentary and indistinct to be of any value for identification purposes."

5. I did not review. . . I will do to do this later time. --- *Key Stuff*
6. Correction here. Drain account is that call from Washington came at 8:00 P.M. on 11/22 this from his account in "No More Silence." Not possible since he had already picked up the rifle K1 at 3:40 (see doc. that supports this).
7. Curry WC testimony in 4H 194-5. . . Dulles notes that according to Curry's testimony that there "was no agent of the Dallas police that went to WDC with the evidence." In short, the line of integrity of the evidence was violated. . . Had Oswald case gone to trial his lawyers would have grounds for throwing out the case. . . Curry noted that the FBI sent back to DPD pixs of the evidence --- some 400 plus items. . .

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7. (cont.) Check w/ Curry testimony w/ Dulles. . . .After he made these disclosures

Dulles called for a luncheon break . . . .when they returned from lunch the subject was changed!!!! (Because Dulles realized that the line of integrity of the evidence was broken . . . .FBI free to add or subtract from the body of evidence w/o accountability. . . .(which is what happened. . .

7A Is key \*\*\* Cadigan interview w/ Eisenberg . . .Cadigan refers to the “very large volume of evidence” . . . . (400 to 500 items). . . .This reference to “large volume” was deleted. . . .Check w. Armstrong on this matter. . . .

7B Cadigan again comes through. . . .Here Griffith to Conrad 4/9/'64 105-82555-3047 notes that Cadigan testified on 4/3/'64 (w/ Dulles as only member) that Q10 paper sack paper was “similar” to the paper available to Oswald in the TSBD . . . .(I need to take this on and use Hal and cite Troy West to dispel this argument)

7C Key\*\*\* The mythology of how all the evidence ended up in the control of the FBI. . . .Notes Katz via Ass Attorney General Herbert L. Miller that Dallas PD anxious to get rid of all the evidence. . . .Date of doc. is 11/26/'63. . . Hoover received this and notifies top aides. . . Kicker here: Hoover notes that FBI take the responsibility for assuring the integrity of the evidence and protect it from being pilfered by souvenir hunters. . . etc and disappearing. \*\*\*\* One could have fun with this (examples of FBI ignoring and failure to collect evidence (3 Tippit bullets/ Connally's clothes, JFK's death certificate for CD-1, the bullet-scared Teague sidewalk. . . . and check with the Tickler File in BOT. . . note last entry. . . .FBI closed down case sine die despite public pledge to keep it open for an eternity. . .

8. Cadigan before WC 4/30/'64 Questioned by Eisenberg 7H 434/435 where Cadigan mentions that there must have been 4 to 500 items that Drain brought from Dallas on 11/23 early morning to BuLab. . .

9. Pages of stuff the Dallas PD collected from Oswald's room on No. Beckley on 11/22 and from Ruth Paine's house in Irving, Texas, on 11/23. . .

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10. Hoover/LBJ call on 11/23 at 10:01 A.M. (Before Hoover left for Pimlico w/ Tolson) where Hoover drops 2 bombshells---One that the evidence against Oswald was "not very,very strong." In fact, no case to answer at all . . .Secondly, that FBI had evidence that . . .there was an Oswald double in Mexico City. . .when was this sprung on LBJ. . .? See Rex on this. . .

Note: Items 11, 12, and 13 are missing. . .

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14. Armstrong on chain of evidence . . .Key stuff for this issue. . .

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Armstrong  
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15. Day returns w/ pixs of Oswald's palm and fingerprints on K1. . .This was 11/26/'63. . .Again after Day had access to Oswald's corpse on 11/24. . .See copy filed in Day file. . .