

Early Evidence/Addendum to. F. 5/Box 2

Doc.1 p. 3 My comments to FBI report. . . .onthe3 bullets that were fired fromK1. . . . Ok. But did Oswald fire them. The answer is noSo this is F BI Lab word games. . . .p. the Tippit bullet. . . cannot make case for Q 13 taken from officer Tippit.. .FBI never bothered to collect the other 3 bullets that Dr. Rose took from Tippit until March 1964 when the WC requested. . . Look at the closing sentence . . . “K3,is among those weapons which produce general rifling impressions of the type found on Q 13.” What would a defense lawyer do with that in a court of law? But it was so mutilated that “there was not sufficient individual microscopic characteristics present for identification purposes.”***P. 4 No fibers on K1 gun could be associated with the Q12 blanket (blanket in the Paine garage). . . .The inside surface of Q10 did not disclose markings identifiable with rifle, K1. The latent prints in photo taken off the rifle by Dallas PD (Day) no value. . . .for id purposes. . . .(Latona here). . . p. 5 No latent prints of value developed on Oswald’s revolver, the cartridge cases, the unfired cartridge (in K1), the clip in therifle or the inner parts of the rifle.”

2. Make sure I take note of p. 2 where the contrast between FBI indifference to the autopsy report on JFK and the Bureau’s concern re: Hoover’s WC testimony.. .and the need to clean it up. . . .

4. This plays off of 1 above. Hoover to Rankin 3/27/'64 62-109060-2823 After imposed upon by the WC the FBI collected the 3 slugs from Tippit’s body held by Dr. Rose.. This is now March 1964.....P. 2 notes that “no conclusion could be reached as to whether or not they were fired from the same weapon or whether or not they were fired from C 15.” Had the FBI had to go to court w/ this evidence the case would have been laughed out of court. What we is standard FBI practice of manufacturing a case for the prosecution. . .the state. . . He notes at end that all 3 bullets were “qualitatively similar. . .which means all made of lead. . .

7. Drain’s personal account of his carrying evidence to WDC. . . .This is a big BS job. . .

8. Note: no fingerprints found on the 3 cartridge cases found on 6th floor. . .

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8. Cadigan on the bag. Vol. IV, P. 97 when asked if there were any markings on the bag that indicated it held K1. . . He responded he could find none. . .One gets impression that Cadigan was more ethical and truthful than most of the BuLab personnel . . 0

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1. Note: This is the evidence sheet to use when questioning the evidence against Oswald. . . .It is the most complete inventory. . . .
2. Classic example of FBI's dogging the investigation Platonic ideal of seeming ineptitude). . . . No need to acquire JFK's autopsy and X-rays. . . . The case is mooted at this time (Date 11/26). . . . Compare w/ how The Director's WC testimony was treated like the Jewels of the Madonna. . . .
6. Arizona paper 11/27/'63 notes Dallas PD turning over all the evidence in the JFK case. . . . It provides a priceless example of Oswald's erroneous postmortem trial in the press. . . .*** really a classic example. . . .(Could be used w/ other examples in Chapter "Lynching of Oswald". . . .
7. Drain's personal account of his role in collecting the evidence and flying it to WDC. . . .He notes that he "would keep the chain of evidence sacroscent. . . ." He noted in passing while on C-135 tanker on way to WDC that crew allowed him to listen to short wave broadcasts about French, Brits, and Canadians contacting their troops and subs to be alert for a possible Soviet attack We find no record of this w/ US govt. . . . Be careful w/ this because Drain is an incredible BStaking credit for "liberating" the evidence in the case and getting it returned to the FBI in WDC. . . . Drain was the man who accomplished this all on his own. . . .
8. Critical for my interests. . . .WC Staffers Conroy and O'Brien raise critical issue: no fingerprints found on the 3 spent cartridge cases found on the 6th floor that presumably came from K1. . . .Did Oswald have gloves on when he loaded the clip (w/ just round rounds)????? ***** The take the gloves off while handling the rifle.. . . (See Day's work here). . . .(Iding the doc. is a problem).
9. Note by 11/27 There was interest in locating the third cartridge shellsince the scenario was that there were 3 shots fired. . . .(3 shots was programmed from the get-go. . . .See early radio accounts of the shooting 15 minutes after the assassination. . . . Hadley requested of Malley (who

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was Hoover's man on the scene). . .to get Oswald palm print on one of the rollers (boxes) Oswald sat on waiting for his target, etc. . . Ad a map allegedly showing the route of the presidential motorcade (This was later dismissed as a may Oswald had to assist in his job searches. . .)

10. As stated. . . Cadigan on the bag. . . did not evidence that there was a rifle in the bag. . .

11. Notes that Drain took the 2 shells on 11/22. . .(related to # 9 above). The 3rd shell did not catch up with others until see above note 9. . .

12. As stated. . .

13. As stated. . . FBI gets around to collecting the JFK autopsy report on 12/23/63 Once again—The Platonic idea of incompetence (or indifference).

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1. FBI to Jesse Curry 11/23/'63 62-109060-1694 3 page list of everything that Drain brought back on 11/22 to BuLab . Note Q13 is bullet from Tippit. . .just one bullet. FBI does not get around to the other two bullets until March 1964 (see below in this list). The bullet from Tippit is so “badly mutilated” that there is not a sufficient microscopic characteristics to determine if it came from Oswald’s revolver*****But Oswald accused on Tippit’s death.

Mention too that Q11 is the shirt LHO was wearing when arrested and the one he was wearing to work that day. Point here: This is the shirt w/ three buttons missing down the front. . . .Like the man in the doorway.

2. Rosen to Belmont 11/26 62-109060-1126(?) Rosen gives reasons why FBI did not accept X-rays and autopsy pics from the JFK autopsy. This despite FBI was writing the report (CD-1) about the assassination. Oswald was already dead at this time. . . . and convicted. No need to be troubled w/ any of the autopsy evidence. . . .Once again FBI the platonic example of criminal ineptitude or bagging the investigation . . . Note attached page for pains the bureau went to preserve the WC testimony of the Director.
3. ^AJevons to Conrad 62-109090-NR 7/6/'64 bullet and frags cannot be specro matched up . . . from JFK and from the limo
4. Hoover to Rankin 3/27/'64 Hoover reports on the other three bullets removed from Tippit. . . .FBI just getting around to themonly two penetrated Tippit’s body. The test results: could not be concluded that these two bullets (C251 & C253) were fired from C 15 (the Oswald revolver). All Hoover could assert was that the lead alloy in the three bullets “was found to be qualitatively similar in composition” which was to say that they were all made of bullet lead. Amazing!!!!
5. Jevons to Conrad 3/27/'64 62-109060-2845 Contains Heiberger’s specro results on the Walker bullet that the lead alloys in the Walker bullet and the JFK frag recovered from the limo are different. . . .I refilled this with the Walker files

6. Arizona Journal notes that the Dallas police turned the evidence in the JFK case over to the FBI. . . .Big publicity staged. . . The transfer took place 11/26. . . .Nothing mentioned about Drain's carrying the stuff to WDC on 11/22
7. Drain's personal account of the transfer of the evidence on 11/22 w/him pumping up his importance in the whole affair. . . Good color stuff.
8. WC staffers to Rankin 3/20/'64 Ask since there were no prints on the three expended cartridgesThey ask if the firing of the cartridges would have erased his prints. . . .In short there were no prints on the cartridges can only be explained if Oswald had gloves on? He certainly didn't take time to wipe them cleanThis adds to the mystery of when the 3rd cartridge turned up to make it three shots fired. . .
9. Hadley to Rosen 11/27/'63 62-109060 – not clear it indicates that Dallas, the office where the crime was committed, and only had access to the evidence for what appears to be one day (11/27). Note it states the "importance of the Bureau receiving the third shell casing" (w/ no explanation of who turned it over/ under what circumstances was it separated from the other two that Drain brought to BuLab on 11/22
10. Hal note re: the bag. He cites Cadigan's WC testimony Vol. IV, p.97 where Cadigan could not tie the bag to the rifle. . .
11. Note # 9 above. . . This is Day's report of the finding of "two spent hulls" at TSBD. Notes the 2 were found at 6th floor window. Day & Studebaker found the shells and turned them over to Charles Brown, Jr. Day notes that Drain collected the 2 hulls on 11/22/'63 FBI file 89-43 IA: 253***** Mystery of the third hull still a mystery. . . Check with these three WC testimony. Check on Brown.
12. Larry's praise of the FBI Bulabhis words reflect the official myth. See also Sullivan's critique in his book on the Bureau. I could have some fun w/ this juxtaposition . . .

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13. SS Kelley asserts that FBI did not accept a copy of the Bethesda Hosp autopsy report until Orrin Bartlett, liaison officer for FBI, requested a copy. The BI Report (CD-1) was finished and in circulation as early as 12/5/'63
***** Once again the platonic ideal of incompetence or official cover up.
14. Follow up for # 4 above FBI lists the stuff Drain brought to FBI WDC on 11/22 to Police Chief Curry. . . This was a gesture to chain of possession I suppose. Note Q 13 was the one bullet FBI had from Tippit. . . .Also notes that SA Elmer L. Todd delivered the "bullet from the stretcher" of CE# 399. We know now that this was not a bullet from the Connally stretcher. . .
15. FBI report on the bullet frags, CE # 399, smear on windshield. Provides detailed location in limo of this evidence
16. Notes that all the stuff from Paine's garage that Dallas police picked up on 11/23 was turned over to SA De Brueys (who ran Oswald in N.O.) and he took this stuff to BU Lab in WDCThis is the search which Fredda Scobey said was illegal because the police had no search warrant (despite that the FBI doc says. De Brueys could have picked any stuff that might have exonerated Oswald or indicated that he was a FBI source, etc. . .
***** Point here: To be suspicious of everything that came out of the Paine's garage. . . it was all alleged to be the property of Lee Oswald.

*Todd's
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CE # 399
see John
Hunt's
work
or
D. Eugene*