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4. Sylvia Meagher Letter to Editor in Wash Post June 18, 1966 (A-10) She makes good point about the scattering of the evidence in this case throughout the 26 volumes of H & E . . . certainly true of the case with Writing Sheet for BOX 109

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The case with Specter's S/B theory . . .the focus of this op ed.

5. Jevons to Conrad 3/20/'64 Eisenberg wants to prepare for testimony on fire arms evidence. . . .He asks FBI to have fire arms evidence transferred to WC offices so it could be delivered to Ronald Simmons at Aberdeen, MD, for re-examination . . . . .

Hoover: comment: It is obvious that Commission does not have confidence in our laboratory. . . .Hoover is pissed. I need to review Simmons' WC testimony. Is there cause why WC might be less than swollen with confidence with the FBI at this point---examples: Connally's clothes, Warren's characterization of CD 1 as skeletal; failure to retrieve the other three missiles involved in the Tippit shooting. . . .Tague bullet/ Folder # 2.

6. Rosen to Belmont 4/4/'64 Folder 2 Rankin's praise to Hoover for the splendid testimony of FBI lab personnel: Frazier, Cunningham, Stombaugh, Cadigan, and Latona. . . .Clear Rankin trying to sooth Hoover over WC use Outside expertise. . . .See Hoover's mad on. He is not pacified. . . .\*\*\*\*

7. Rosen to Belmont 4/24/'64 Folder # 3 More on Rankin trying to sooth Hoover on what Hoover represented as his umbrage that WC had no confidence in the FBI lab . . .

8. Rankin to Hoover 11/18/'64 Folder 3 With the Report ready for publication Rankin still trying to sooth Hoover's hostility to the WC. This was just build up to Hoover response to the Report when it is published. I might use this in a ms. I already have a unpublished chapter on this. . . .\*\*\*

9. Wash Post piece on WC Report Date 9/28/'64 Was the report out then or did Folliard have an inside source??? (I need to be accurate on this). See Hoover's marginalia. . . .This spurred the FBI's attack on the Commission.

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*↓ use FBI 'CA' on WC*  
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Specter's so-called S/B theory. . . . which is what SM was focused on in this op ed piece.

10. FBI Lab Report results to Chief Curry 3/30/'64 FBI just getting around to collecting and testing the other 3 cartridges involved in the Tippit shooting. The basic conclusion was "no conclusion could be reached as to whether or not C251 thru 253 were fired from the same weapon or whether or not they were fired from C15 (Oswald's revolver). Folder 7
11. FBI Lab Report on JFK's clothes 12/5/'63 to James Rowley Folder # 7. Important for place of bullet holes in back of coat and shirt. . . They align at 5 3/8 inches below the collar. . . The tests for bullet metal are there in chart but I have them on other docs. . .
12. FBI Lab workup on Connally's clothes reported to Rankin 4/9/'64. The clothes neglected so long that even after they were dry cleaned the report noted strong order of mildew. . . . \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Jevons to Conrad 11/23/'63 Folder 13 Tests cannot allow us to state positively that Oswald's shirt is the source of these fibers. ✓
2. SAC, Dallas, to Director 3/31/'64 Folder 13 notes 2 (only 2 gun shops in Dallas) carried 6.5 M/C 6.5 mm ammo. Names the shops. One carried 6.5MM soft nosed the other carried military type.
3. Director to SAC, Dallas, 2/14/'64 Time when Marina testified to WC. . . very vulnerable and under threat to cooperate. . . Matter: photos alleged to be of Walker's house. At least Marina indicated they might be. . . But they lacked detail to be certain . . .
4. Note to myself: Be sure to review Marina's WC testimony for Feb 1964 on Lee's attitude toward JFK. . . It was favorable. . .

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5. UPI story 2/4/'64 Warren says that it would be "100 per cent wrong to say that marina was under protective custody. Right before Her appearance before the WC.
6. Rosen to Belmont 9/4/'64 Folder 5 WC to release its Report for ✓ publication during the next several weeks . . . and still have not heard from Gallagher and results of NAA, etc. . . *Refer to file*
7. FBI Lab worksheet on Tippit bullets (C251-253) date is key 3/16/'64 ✓ connect this to #10 above with Tippit test results on these bullets. Note, ✓ the time was March 1964. *Speeter v. Speeter*

NOTE TO MYSELF: Be sure to review Cunningham's WC testimony Vol. III, 451-496 . . . especially on his take on paraffin testing. . . Does he blow it off or embrace it????

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1A FBI to Curry 1/23/'63 62-109060-1694 This is the {"instant" ) FBI analysis of the Dallas police. Read carefully. (This is the document that Weisberg mentions in his CA suit CA 1107

2A Hoover to Rankin March 24, 1964 Folder 23. Hoover explains the windshield of the presidential limo . . .

3A. Conrad to Jevons 3/6/'64 Results as defined by FBI that the NAA testing at Oakridge resulted in no discernible conclusions. . . This is the FBI party line that Gallagher will peddle to Redlich when he was deposed. . . Folder 22.

4A Jevons to Conrad 2/27/'64 \*\*\*\*\*Key. Important> They note that until this time the AEC testing as always on handgun testing with NAA. . . Testing w/ rifles(that is, Mannlicher/Carcanos) the blowback was great and even after washing the paraffin casts. Guinn wanted to compare notes and test results with Gallagher. . . G blows him off. . . Folder 22

*Not -  
Oswald's  
paraffin  
test results  
on  
Creek*

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5A Jevons to Conrad 11/27/'63 Folder 22. This is the classic FBI political argument for going ahead and accept AEC's offer to submit the paraffin casts to NAA testing. . . .\*\*\*\*\*read carefully.

6A Jevons to Conrad 1/9/'64 Folder 22 \*\*\*\*\* read carefully where it refers to Rankin letter of 1/7/'64 asking advice about NAA. . . .He was not aware that the FBI was going ahead secretly on this project. . . FBI would be <sup>in</sup> total control of the results and could share or keep <sup>it</sup> the dark the Commission. . . \*\*\*\*\* Is this a valid point???

7A Hoover to Rankin 3/23/'64 Folder 22 Hoover trying to square the circle and make case for the holes in JFK's clothes being bullet holes. . . .This is key \*\*\*\* for me because he includes the JFK's shirt collar and tie.

8A Ryan to Bailey 6/1/'79 This underscores the problem of Guinn's HSCA testimony . . . . This was precipitated by Jerry Policoff's piece in Gallery. See attached. \*\*\*

9A FBI Lab to Curry 12/6/'63 Folder 21 Results on the Walker bullet (Q 188) cannot make match with Oswald's rifle. . .

10A Pix of the Kennedy tie with nick in the knot and not a bullet hole.

11A Wecht blows the cover off of the FBI?WC scam re: NAA testing and the results. . . .\*\*\*\*\* Thi8s is a beautiful example of FBI Director co9ntinuing the cover-up. \*\*\*\*\*

11B Wecht to Kelly 3/8/'64 Wecht first lays out his intention here and why he would like to see the NAA test results. . .

12A Hoover to Rankin 7/8/1964 NAA testing could not determine whether bullet and frags from JFK and Connally could be matched and determined from which the small frags originated from what large bullet frags. . .

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13A base of CE # 399. . .

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1B Classic case of FBI example of dismissing the evidence. . . Results needed by 4/14/'64 the date of this 4/14/'64 Says EXPIDITE . . . This is Connally's clothes that FBI has to be ready to address before the Commission. Notes the clothes were examined "No foreign deposits of metal were found around the cloth around the holes in the coat, shirt, and trousers."

*They had  
been  
try  
cleaned*

When did FBI pick up the clothes???? Folder 7

2B FBI Lab to Rowley 12/5/'63 JFK's clothes. P. 2 \*\*\*\* Note at this date it is described as a "nick" in the left side of the knot of the tie." Note: This will change to a hole when Frazier testifies before the WC . . .\*\*\*\* Folder 7

3B FBI Lab report that says EXPIDITE. . . the FBI requested exam 3/14/'64 > The FBI never bothered with these three bullets taken from Tippit. . . Folder 7.

4B Collection of FBI memos on the Warren Report. . .\*\*\*\* Read w/ use of chapter from BOT on the FBI's War Against the Commission as possible chapter.

5B Dorothy Kilgallen's critique of the FBI based on WCR, Folder 6

6B More on FBI's treatment by WCR

7B Conrad to Belmont 10/5/'64 Conrad weighs in on the WCR

✓ 8B Belmont to Rosen 11/24/'64 Notes that the 26 volumes would be released on 11/23 rather than 11/30 . . .

9B Conrad to Jevons 12/15/'64 p. Cunningham's WC testimony on paraffin testing. . .requires that I check his entire WC testimony (esp. on paraffin testing to get view of how it was held as a evidence-collecting device).]

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10B FBI Lab report on the walker bullet (Q188) Basic conclusion: not possible to determine if bullet fired from K1. . . .Date of this is 12/9/'63

11B Jevons to Conrad 5/14/'64 discussion of Frazier's WC testimony and notes that Frazier identifies the "nick" in tie "may have been caused by projectile." Folder # 13

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Projectile and not a bullet. . . .keeps to FBI party line of this but shifts from nick (caused by scalpel) to projectile . . . Note that Specter asked for JFK's back brace but not to describe it. . . .\*\*\*\* tie this in with argument that brace kept him propped up argument., . .Folder 13

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1C. Rankin to Hoover Part of the Minox camera scam. . . . Ruth Paine requests a list of things taken by Dallas police to be returned to the family. Item 5 is Minox light meter. Folder 23.

2C. Altered evidence sheets one with Minox Camera and one with altered Minox light meter. . . .This was changed by the FBI. . .Folder 23

3C. Italian military authorities declared the Mannlicher/Carcano (alleged murder weapon) as obsolete in 1958 ✓

4C Lyon (who ran the AEC paraffin tests) describes the procedure. Folder 129

5C This is record of FBI report to WC on Connally's clothes. . . that was sent 4/16/'64 . . . notice the sly admission that clothes were laundered and forensic

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results compromised.

6C Jevons to Conrad 12/19/63 Arrangement of strict secrecy made with AEC to run paraffin tests on Oswald casts. . . .Group kept to small number/hush/hush. Aebersold is to be cut out of the program because "his propensity for publicity makes him difficult to control." Box 115/F. 129.

7C Jevons to Conrad 1/9/64 Box 115, F. 129 Rankin & WC appraised on the hush/hush work with AEC on NAA testing. . . Note Aebersold's post. . . He is the Director of Isotopes Development. . . . but will not be included in the testing. He will not be told. . . .

8C Jevons to Conrad 3/27/'64 Heilberger's report on Walker bullet. . . Spectro tests cannot connect the Walker bullet with lead alloy of bullet frag from the limo. Box 115, F. 129.

9C Complaint to Jenkins 9/30/'64 re: criticisms of the FBI in the WC Report. FBI had an advanced copy. . . (I might considering doing a chpt. On FBI attack on the WC)>

10C. SAC, Dallas to Director 3/14/'64 FBI excuses for not bring the other 3 Tippit bullets into the investigation. Blame layed on the Dallas police. . . .(another case of FBI sandbagging the investigation . .

11C Liebler to Rankin and Rankin to Hoover indicating suspicions about Day's life of palm print off K1. (I have this in unpub. Chapter w/BOT) Box 111C /F. 79

12C FBI micro dot search on Oswald's items. . . .I need to quantify\*\*\*\*\*

13C To FBI, Dallas 3/6/'64 Box 111/F. 45 Acknowledges FBI looked at the paraffin test results by Dallas C/County Criminal Investigations . . . .and acknowledges that AEC now involved.

14C Marina bracelet/Oswald's MC trip. A batch of docs on this issue.

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15. To FBI< Dallas 3/6/'64 Box 111A/F. 53 from FBI Lab Here is the first explanation of why the AEC NAA tests were not conclusive just suggestive. . . .In short the first expression of the FBI line on this. . .and what Gallagher's rehearsed testimony with Redlich in Sept.

16C Copy of DCCCIL Report Box 111A/ F 57 Note where it said Discard charged to read Reserved for dis. . . . (indecipherable)

17C FBI Lab report to Rowley 12/4/'63 Box 111A/F 55 FBI first propose that the slit in collar and the nick in tie might be result of a "projectile." No bullet metal found around these objects . . . .Beginning of the FBI party line on JFK's collar/tie

18C Dallas to Director, 4/16/'64 More on the Marina bracelet. . .

19 C Rankin to Hoover 7/24/'64 Box 116/F.170 Rankin wants pics of alleged crime scene. . . esp. the so-called "sniper's lare."

20C AAG Miller to Hoover 2/10/1965\*\* Box 116/F168 List (was it Rankin's) of items in the case to be kept in possession of the government. Yes, Rankin composed the list. Item 50 is the WALKER Bullet. . . .

21C Jevons to Conrad 4/9/'64 Box 116/167 It was Arlen Specter who delivered Connally's clothes to the FBI. . . .

22C Director to SAC, Dallas 6/17/'64 Box 116/106 Stuff returned to the Paines. . . .Item 10 B-2 is this suppose to be the Minox camera (written in pencil???). Paines got everything else Minox. . . .Very suspicious. . . \*\*\*\*\*

23C Hoover to Rankin 3/18/'64 Notes materials that could produce a positive paraffin test result. . . .stuff that was not part of a shooting. . . At the end Hoover brushes off the whole business of NAA. . . THIS Was in March. . . .Does it shift a bit as we move ahead\*\*\*\*\*Box 116/F180a

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24C Hoover to Rowley 3/26/'64 Hoover notes that FBI received the windshield of the limo from the White House on March 20, 1964 to examine the windshield.

25C Jevons to Conrad 3/31/'64 Purpose of this was to dissuade Eisenberg that paraffin testing is highly unreliable. . . . Box 116/F180b

26C Rankin to Hoover asking about all the other shells discovered in and around Dealey Plaza. . . .or turned in by citizens. . . .Box 116/180B Hoover responds with nonsense examples. . . .

27C Are a few examples of shells found in the vicinity of Dealey Plaza . . . .I have some of this in BOT and in garage files. These are the other potential evidence that should have been accounted for and explained. . . .and not fobbed off as Hoover does in this case.

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