

## MASTER INDEX

RE: Early Evidence (Box # 2)

### FOLDER 1:

Item # 1 AS STATED. . . Deals with the Drain collection of evidence that was picked up in Dallas on 11/22 and sent to BULAB . . . arrived 11/23 Saturday morning at about 7:30 a.m. . . Note Key Doc. Hoover memo 11/25 62-109060-188 (sect. 3) lay out a paper record of transfer of all the evidence from Dallas PD to FBI. All cleared thru Wade and Hoover adds (and this is precious) that FBI will be glad to take over responsibility for the evidence as since “the case is moot [LHO’s dead and no trial, etc.] “that people will be wanting souvenirs and the evidence will disappear.” Suggesting that FBI will treat it with consummate care. . . (might have examples of FBI treatment of evidence in this case). .

*Oswald's  
win P.*

The other attached Key Doc. Hoover to LBJ 11/23 10:10 A.M. phone call in which Hoover notes “that the evidence they have is not very very strong.” But he also says that “We, of course, have charged him with the murder of the President.”

FOLDER 1A 2 DOCS THAT Exonerate Oswald in Tippit shooting. (1) RG 65 Box 110, folder 33A FBI cannot connect the three bullets extracted from Tippit by Rose as coming from Oswald’s revolver. ‘Also FBI lab report RG 65 Box 110, folder 33A, Inventory sheets, I.W. Conrad .

FOLDER 1B Articles on scandals at FBI lab. . . (includes Conrad as a violator). See also key piece by Kelly and Wearne. . . .Whose book I have and might benefit from a reread.+

FOLDER 1C This could be chapter on Day and the Oswald “Palm Print” and compromising of the crime scene. . . . THIS IS FILED W/ OSWALD AS SOLE SUSPECT

FOLDER # 2..... Check with index inside the folder for the useful 8 items.

FOLDER # 3 RG # 65 Index to this Record Group . . . .Review but docs cited may well have been refilled into other subject indexes. . . .i WILL NEED TO TRY AND

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LOCATE THESE DOCS AS THEY HAVE ALL BEEN REINDEXED TO SPECIFIC SUBJECT MATTER FILES.

FOLDER # 4

Item # 1As stated. Classic manufacturing of excuse for all evidence to land with FBI. . . Hoover's wonderful play acting. . .to prevent pilfering of the evidence while in hands of the Dallas PD. .

Item # 2 Hal note/ no clip found w/ rifle. Can I find ore on this that nails it down??

Item # 3 As stated

Item # 4 Cadigan spilling the beans on evidence on 11/22

Item # 5 has been refiled under O'Neill/Sibert/"JFK"s Collar."

Item # 6 on CE# 399 by Hunt. . . \*\*\*\* could use

Item #7 news story as stated. . . (Does contain Dr. Clark on JFK's wounds)

Item # 8 moved to Specter v. Specter

Item # 9 as stated/copy to Keenan file

Item # 10 as stated

Item # 11 Hoover/LBJ phone call on 11/25 LBJ bent out of shape. . ."cant be investigating every shooting scrap in the country". . .aimed at WP & editorial for a commission . . . \*\*\*\*\*

We have a cliché here: a repeat of material. I kept it.

1. Hoover memo setting up rationale for FBI collecting all the evidence from the Dallas PD. . .11/26. . . so it is not lost to souvenir hunters. . .

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2. As stated. It is Hal remarking that no clip found with rifle. . . . Raises issue as to when was a clip found. . . . We have pix of PD Chief Fritz carrying the rifle and it looks like it has a clip . . . . This may be of interest to me later\*\*\*\* Keep focused on this. . .

3. As stated. No search warrant for search of Paine's garage. . . . But not complete cite. . .

4. As stated. . . This is a Key \*\*\* doc in that it reminds <sup>me</sup> ~~me~~ to locate Malcolm's files on this. . .

5. Obit on Francis X. O'Neill . . . I have removed it and refilled in the Sibert/O'Neill under Law's folder "The Mirror of History" in Spector v. Spector. . .

6. As stated. . . planting of CE # 399 by John Hunt. . chain of custody problem again . . . as laid out in # 4 above . . .

7. As stated. . . and attached Oswald had a Sharpshooter medal from Marines. . .

8. No #8 list. . . should be O's sharpshooter medal above

9. As stated. . . Hoover's account to Manchester when the call came from LBJ to take over the investigation . . . This is all BS. . . Hoover placed the call on 11/22 while he was at home watching TV at about 7:25 P.M.

10. As stated. . . .

11. As stated. . . . LBJ's all out of shape about WP lobbying for a Commission. . . he tells Hoover in 11/25 phone call that we can't be "checking up on every shooting scrape in the country." Attached# 12 is Simkin & respondents on Evellyn Lincoln book on her years with JFK. . . . anti-Johnson is the thrust. Also 11/25/'63 Hoover memo on call to Katzenbach re: new2s of WP on a commission . . .

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13, As stated. . . the date for the formal (staged) turnover of evidence from the Dallas PD to the FBI. . . Shanklin points out it will be a big press coverage. .

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14. As stated. . . Find contrary expert opinion about the M/C and whether it could be fired as Oswald is alleged to have accomplished on 11/22. I should have this in file with Oswald's rifle. . .

15. As stated. . . arrest report of Oswald & charge that he shot JFK at 1:40 P.M. CST and on last p. 116 is a copy of a written inventory of evidence in the Crime Search Section Office. . . There was nothing like this when Drain took all the evidence on 11/22 at 3:00 P.M. something . . . \*\*\*

16. New. . . Copy of part of Dr. Burkley's written statement about his impressions of 11/22. . . innocuous and that may be the value. Dated 11/27/1963 . . . He says nothing of evidentiary value. . . He had been reached by LBJ at this point one has to assume. . .

*Note: Check date when LBJ met Burkley to verify his promotion*

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Item # 1. As stated. . . But this is a good document (11/23/'63 62-109060-1694 because it handles most of the evidence that Drain took to BULab on 11/23. This doc. represents the immediate results by the BULAB technicians. . . There is not much here that could convict Oswald in a court of law. . . under rules of evidence. It is clear why Hoover on 11/23 says that evidence is not very, very strong. . . \*\*\*\*

Item # 2 Rosen to Belmont 11/26/'63 62-109060-426 (not clear) . . . 11/26 Oswald gone; case is moot. . . no need to clutter up the evidence package with JFK's autopsy photos \*\*\*\* (Copy of doc. sent to "JFK's Collar" collection)

Item # 3. News story on 11/27/'63 noting that Dallas PD turned over all evidence to FBI. . . This was the staged handover. . . \*\*\*as stated. . .

Item # 4 \*\*\*\* Hoover to Rankin 3/27/'64 FBI cannot state that the 3 bullets from Tippit removed by Dr. Rose (and FBI just getting to them under duress) came from

the alleged murder weapon—that is, Oswald’s revolver. . .A copy filed in key documents. . .

Item # 5 As stated. . .refilled under Walker file . . .

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Item # 6 same story as in item # 3 above. . .stage handover of evidence. . .

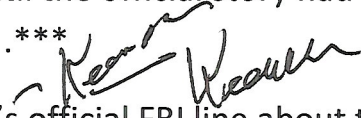
Item # 7 As stated. . .\*\*\*\* use this is Drain’s pumped up version of his collecting evidence on 11/22\*\*\*\* Use for color material . . .

Item # 8 \*\*\* no prints found on the 3 cartridges found on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor. . . .a maystey. Did Oswald wear gloves? Or did he wipe them clean before putting them in the clip\*\*\*\* no explanation ..

Item# 9 \*\*\*\*\* Handley to Rosen 11/27/’63 62-109060-6. . . Most interesting document. . .with both the 3<sup>rd</sup> cartridge and an Oswald palm print on one of the book boxes on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor. . .SOG appears to be leading or “suggesting” what additional evidence was needed (that is manufactured at this juncture in making the case against Oswald when there was no case. The 2 items were the third shell used in the official story of three shots fired (no more). . .and evidence of Oswald’s presence at the SE corner of the 6<sup>th</sup> floor. . .\*\*\*\*\* Copy went to Key Doc file. . .

Item # 10 as stated.. . .Note that Cadigan testified that he could not tie the bag to the rifle. . .

Item # 11 2 docs from Day & Studebaker. . . noting that they turned over to Drain TWO spent hulls. . .(no finger prints on these). . .what happened to the 3<sup>rd</sup> hull. . . it was not “discovered” until the official story had settled on 3 shots. . .This doc related to item # 9 above. . .\*\*\*



Item# 12 as stated. . . Larry’s official FBI line about the world class FBI lab . . . .Propaganda. . . .If needed check with Sullivan’s deflating description of BULAB in his book . . . .\*\*\*

Item # 13 SS Kelley doc. which notes that the FBI did not get a copy of the JFK autopsy report until 12/23/'63 \*\*\*a copy of this to JFK's Collar file/and a key doc copy. . .

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Item # 14 as stated. Use with Hunt on CE# 399

Item # 15 as stated (p. 14) has specs on CE# 399 ("bullet from stretcher") wt. at 158.6 grains. . . . normal wt of 6.5 mm solid pt. bullet is about 160.00 grains. . . .Where would I find that info??? Should be in WCR .

Item # 16. As stated. .

FOLDER 6

Item # 1 Oswald charged with JFK murder 1:40 CST

Item # 2 As stated/worth a review. . . .see Data Base pages . . . .review.

Item # 3 as stated. . .

Item # 4 as stated . . .

Item # 5 as stated. . . .

Item # 6 as stated. . . .Might want to check this by going to his WC testimony. . .

Item # 7 as stated. . . It is FBI BS on NAA testing of LHO's paraffin casts. . . .

Item # 8 as stated. If I get into the paper sack business. . .the counter to this nonsense of Hoover's note to Rankin would be Cadigan's WC testimony where he notes that there was no evidence that K1 was ever in the paper bag (not the blanket) but the bag. . .Be certain here whether it was paper bag Q 10 or the blanket in Paine's garage. .

Item # 9 as stated

*Do I want to into keep Doc - Palmont to Tolson who did not have a file*

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10. Check ref. in # 9 in Gemberling report. . .165 He cites results of Cadigan's exam that Q 10 (the paper bag ) did NOT disclose markings indentifiable with K1. Lays out other features in evidence---prints on K1 too fragmentary to make a match with Oswald; no latents developed on Oswald's revolver and parts of K1. . . .All these indicate what Hoover meant when he said on 11/23 that evidence was not "very, very strong." Raises issue about the Dallas authorities and why Oswald was in the frame by 1:40 P.M. on 11/22 \*\*\*\*\*copy filed as Key Doc

11. As stated. . . very tricky wording and difficult to draw conclusions. . .What stands out is that once again no latent prints found on "cartridge cases or cartridges."

12. As stated---Expedite 3/14/'64 the 3 slugs from Tippitt

13. as stated. . . .\*\*\*\* Will need to review carefully. . .

FOLDER 7

→ Folder (?)

Item # 1 Oswald Map

FOLDER #9

Item # 1 Indices re: various subjects. . . May or may not need reviewing

Item # 2 Drain account from "No More Silence". . .Drain states that order to collect all evidence --call came in at 8:00 P.M. ( This does not square w/ doc that indicates that Drain picked up from Day the rifle at about 3:00 some P.M. on 11/22. . . .and Drain than notes that he told PC urry that "we'd keep the chain of evidence intact" . . . . \*\*\*\*

Note Drain contacted by party seen here.

Item # 3 point here: Is that Dallas office only had photos of the evidence package since the hundreds of items were returned to SOG. . . yet Dallas was the office site of the crime. . .

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Item # 4 as stated; Item # 5 as stated; item # 6 a stated; items 7 & 8 filed under different files. . .

Item # 9 as stated. Key here is statement that Drain "will insure continuity of the evidence. . ." Drain assured nothing of the kind. . .\*\*\*\* copy filed in Key Docs file\*\*\*

Item # 10 \*\*\*\* as stated. . . 11/23 Note the failure to lift latent prints from most of the gathered evidence. . . This is classic example of forensic evidence connecting Oswald to the crime. . . Basic explanation why Hoover told LBJ on 11/23 that evidence was not "very,very strong". . . \*\*\*\*\*Copy files in "Key Docs"

note

Item # 11 as stated; item # 12 as stated;

Item # 13 Jevons to Conrad 105-82555 (not recorded) This is stamped "secret." Examine for any evidence that ties Oswald to the shooting. . . \*\*

Items 14 & 15 as stated. Both of these docs have been entered into the Main Chronology file.

FOLDER # 10

The entire folder centers on FBI docs on editing transcripts. The main material is the chief example of the altering (editing) of Cadigan's WC testimony where Dulles will have edited out Cadigan's remarks that reveal that the chain of custody re: all the early evidence (some 4 to 500 items) was broken . . .there was no securing the chain of evidence. . . .When it was dumped at BULAB by Drain on morning of 11/23 . . . .

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FOLDER # 11

Item # 1 as stated . . .this is a duplicate; page 2 of this document SAC, Dallas to Dir. FBI, Atten: Criminal section 1/3/'68 notes that on 11/24/'63 Drain returned



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to Dallas PD the rifle K1) and revolver. . .(cites Dallas file 89-43-1A 34)and notes a receipt by Drain at 2:00 P.M. on 11/26/'63 of the rifle and the revolver Citing Dallas File 89-43-1A 252\*\*\*\* It appears that after Latona failed to lift distinguishable prints off K1 it was returned to Dallas the day Oswald was murdered. . . .Raises the possibility that Oswald's prints were lifted from his corpse. . . P. 5 Notes material taken from the Dallas PD on 11/22 returned to Dallas PD on 11/24/'63 by Drain and FBI Agent John J. Flanagan. . . .62-109060-6028 (?); p. 6 items returned to Drain on 11/26/'63 w/ "evidence" linking Oswald to the crime. . .eg. thumb print of LHO on cardboard box (book box); partial print "off underside gun barrel near end of foregrip . . ." of K1; and partial prints found on trigger housing of rifle." Key here is to run this back to what Latona failed to find on 11/22-11/23\*\*\*\*\*THIS IS KEY STUFF. . . i MADE COPY FOR OLD Chapter 5\*\*\*(original in old unpublished chpt 5).

*Returned on 11/23*

Item # 2 as stated / Tippit bullets.

*3 Bullets taken from Tippit by Sgt. Dr. Rose on 11/22 - FBI just getting around to identifying as from Tippit*

Item # 3 as stated/Sibert & O'Neill to attend autopsy. Note Rowley (p.2)

immediately arranged for Sibert/O'Neill seating in motorcade to Bethesda as soon as AF-1 landed. . .(was Rowley contacted by LBJ while he was in AF-1 or was this the conversation he had with Rowley since the SS head was the first person he spoke with when he deplaned at Andrews.

Item # 4 refiled with old chapter 5; Item # 5 Jevons/Conrad 1127/'63 a dupe of their musings about having the AEC do an NAA on Oswald's paraffin casts.

Item # 6 Notes 11/23/'63 that (p2) Day had dusted 2 prints from trigger guard on K1 but not lifted. . . a pix of the prints included in the evidence package sent to BULAB \*\*\* Attention to old chpt 5.

*Question: This - when did Drain call - It was 3:45? 3:45?*

Item # 7 Jevons to Conrad 1/9/'64 more on the scheduling of NAA on Oswald's paraffin casts. . . point here is that Dr. Aebersold will be cut out of the information