Record Group 65

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This is first set scanned:

- To Curry 12/9/'63 re: Walker Bullet Q188. Results: Because of extreme mutilation of bullet FBI Lab could not determine whether it came from K1 or the alleged Oswald rifle. Dallas office tasked to find any other bullets not currently in evidence that were fired from the Oswald rifle.... See BOT for FBI failure to find any other fired bullets from K1. Folder 4 Questions: Did Frazier ever testify on the Walker bullet? Did any other FBI agent? Was Heilberger ever deposed re: the Walker bullet?
- 2. Jevons to Conrad 5/14/'64 Folder 14 Frazier's testimony on JFK's shirt (collar) Frazier faithful to FBI party line that the "hole" in front of JFK's shirt was characteristic of a "projectile" although no copper found around the "hole" (actually a slit). Same w/ nick in the tie that might have been caused by a projectile. Did F testify to whether the "hole" in the tie came up with copper. Was he asked at all. . . . because the hole in the tie tested out w/no0 copper. P. 2 classic for use\*\*\*\*Specter asked if spectro tested for all the frags from JFK and Connally and if so what were the results. Frazier says that someone else did the testing but the results showed that the metallic composition in all of the tested items was SIMILAR. But then Frazier told the WC that any detailed testimony concerning these tests would have to come from Gallagher. \*\*\*\* This gives me entrée into the Gallagher/Redlich September questioning\*\*\*\*\*\*\* I can blow this out of the water. Folder 14
- 3. Joe Ball interviewed in LA Daily Journal 11/25/'64 See p. 2 where he crucified the FBI for "the endless red tape" when WC staff wanted communication with FBI lab. . . .(I wonder why).

 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 Page 2

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....\*\*\*\*
- 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. RG 65

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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.
- 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. . .
- 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.

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????