

Examples/LHO Innocent

Oswald in the frame (examples of LHO's innocence. I will need to make some choice here.)

Some chronology: Gemberling Report 11/22 has shooting at 12:35 CST (source: Gemberling Report 105-82555-21. Police call came at 12:35 CST.

Kennedy Cabinet members on flight to Tokyo learn of shootingat 12:45 CST . . . "three shots were fired at President Kennedy's motorcade in Downtown Dallas." Max Holland is source: check details for footnote.

***Tippit shooting reported at 1:18 CST. . . .Oswald was named as the killer of Tippit, JFK and wounding of Connally at 1:40 P.M. CST (check w/ key docs on this for citation). JFK pronounced dead when? Was it 1:00 or 1:10 P.M. CST? The citation of Oswald as man "Who shot and killed President John F. Kennedy and police officer J.D. Tippit. He also shot and wounded Governor John Connally." JFK/Dallas PD Collection Records of City of Dallas Municipal Archives. Arrest Report on Investigative Prisoner," 11/22/1963 at 1:40 P.M.

****Main Dallas Assassination File 89-43-2381 C Notes the Assistant Chief Don Stringfellow, Intelligence Section, Dallas Police Dept., notes on 11/22/'63 that "Oswald confessed to the shooting of President Kennedy and Police Officer Tibbets (sic)." He added that addition info from the Dallas intelligence section was that "Oswald. . . defected to Cuba in 1959." Wrong on 2 accounts: Oswald still in Russia in 1959 and that he is a card carrying member of the Communist Party." (Stress Stringfellow was one of about 7 or 8 members of the Dallas Intelligence Department who were in the active reserves with the 112th Military Intelligence Group in San Antonio (but check on this).

Approach: Oswald was hustled into the frame w/o a iota of evidence. A DPD report notes that Oswald was booked for the murder of Police officer Tippitt at 1:40 CST and for the murder of JFK and the wounding of Governor Connally. Based on what. Source: JFK/Dallas Police Department Collections

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Records of City of Dallas Municipal Archives, Arrest Report on Investigative Prisoner, 11/22/1963. Copy also found in 62-109060-2074 EBF-27 FBI Main JFK Assassination File.

Oswald in the frame a little more than one hour after the fusillade on Elm Street!!! The report said: Oswald was shot and killed Dallas police Tibbit at 1:40 P.M. at 1:40 P.M. and "This man shot and killed President John F. Kennedy . . . and shot and wounded Governor John Connally."

.1. Begin w. above: Oswald I the frame w/in minutes after JFK pronounced dead. This was the work of the police and law enforcement authorities in Dallas. (Wade & others). Oswald was the only suspect in the crime according to the Dallas law enforcement system. That was minutes after the assassination. (Note: Hoover phone call to LBJ on 11/23 at 10:01 A.M. (Saturday) where the Director noted that "the evidence they have at present time is not very, very strong." Hoover was speaking about the several hundred items of evidence in the case that were shipped to Seat of Govt. by military transport and reached the FBI in the early hours of Saturday morning. (Source: Telephone conversation between the President and J. Edgar Hoover, LBJ Library's Compilation, Tape #13, copy from LBJ Library first cited by Rex Bradford.

2. Another area: The official account Oswald's arrest in the Texas Theatre reeks of evidence tampering and bad faith investigation. Much was made of the Dallas police heroics in the capturing of "President Kennedy's killer." According to the official account the Dallas cop who heroically wrested the revolver from Oswald's hand was patrolman D.M. McDonald. Assisting him were Dallas policemen Ray Hawkins, Bob K. Carroll, Sgt. Gerald Hill, and John Calvin Brewer. In this derring-do account all four of these other officers, at one time or another during the scuffle or immediately afterwards, had their hands on the revolver Oswald allegedly used to kill Dallas patrolman J.D. Tippit. This concocted account is overturned by an internal Dallas Police Department document that noted "Gun taken from LHO at time of arrest of Dallas police 11/22/'63. No latent prints of police found on gun."

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See folder 100-10461 Worksheet on Inventory. Main Dallas Oswald file. I want to thank Clay Ogilvie for pointing this out to me. See also McDonald's account Warren Commission Hearings, Vol. III, pp. 299-300 & 301; Ray Hawkins, W.C. Hearings, Vol. VII, p. 94; Bob K. Carroll, WC Hearings, Vol. III, pp. 299-300 & Vol. VII, p. 20; Sgt. Gerald Hill, WC Hearings, Vol. VII, pp. 54-55; John Calvin Brewer, WC Hearings, Vol. VII, p. 6. Also see David Reitzes, "Oswald and Officer McDonald: The Arrest of Lee Harvey Oswald," at <http://www.jfk-online.com/mcdonald.html> Key doc. The alleged failure to record any of the interrogations of Oswald while in police custody. Before Oswald was himself assassinated he was interrogated by Captain John Will Fritz from Friday to Sunday for a combined 12 hours. Initially, the official story trotted out by Fritz was that the only record of what transpired during these sessions resided in a few pages of notes he made. Fritz's explanation was that he had requested funds to purchase a tape recorder in his past two annual reports only to have his request denied! ↴

So at the time the Dallas Police Department was confronted with the most (profound/better word) assassination of 20th Century America the authorities were allegedly reduced to note taking. During these interrogation sessions the Secret Service and the FBI were present. This was all a monumental fabrication to excise from the public record what Oswald volunteered about his actions the day of the assassination and what, if any role, he had as a government asset.

We know this because on Sunday Oswald was himself assassinated in the basement of the Dallas Police Department surrounded by 98 Dallas police officers and some 150 news reporters. Once that news was reported the Secret Service swept up Marina Oswald, her children, her mother-in-law and Lee's brother Robert. They were taken to the Inn of the Six Flags outside of Arlington, Texas. After dinner two SS agents grilled Marina for almost 8 hours. All of this was captured on a tape recorder. That same evening or in the early morning hours of Friday morning the taped record of this interrogation was flown to SS headquarters in Washington, D.C. It would be fatuous to assume that the SS agents in Dallas who participated in the Oswald interrogation sessions did not use

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a tape recorder. ***Note: See To Director and SAC, Washington Field from SAC, Dallas , FBIHQ Oswald Files 105-82555—412; 105-82555-0412 B1. To a degree, Oswald was inclined to open with Secret Service Agent Thomas J. Kelley. On p. 629 of the Warren Report he reportedly told Kelley that at the time of the shooting he was in front of the TSBD Building and about to leave when a “young crew-cut man,” saying he was from the Secret Service, showed a book of identification rushed up to him, and asked where the phone was. Actually, the crew-cut man was Pierce M. Allman, employed as a program director by Dallas TV and radio station. In “Breach of Trust” I cite Oswald’s account to Kelley as supporting an Oswald alibi for having nothing to do with the shooting. (See “Breach of Trust,” pp. 114-116.

There was no sniper’s nest at SW corner of the TSBD. . . .decided to leave this for the new book MS.

****Belmont to Mr. Tolson, 9/23/'64 62-109060-91 EBF, serials 3811-3845 (give circumstances that prompted this document). . . Here Belmont (who was largely in charge of the FBI’s political investigation) tells Tolson that the paraffin tests that allegedly linked Oswald to the shooting of Pres. Kennedy was “erroneous as the results were essentially negative. . . . and in addition highly technical examinations made by the Atomic Energy Commission and our Laboratory of the paraffin casts could not connect Oswald with the rifle.”

W. D. Griffith to Conrad, 12/10/'63 62-109060-1775 Griffith refers to Bronson exposures (8 mm film). Notes that “no images could be interpreted as an individual or individuals in the window. That is, the alleged sniper’s nest. What the pics show is an “outline of boxes. On 12/2/'63 SA Webb took the roll of film to the Navy Photographic Interpretation Center (NPIC) in Washington D.C., the best in the world in this discipline. . . The experts there agreed with the FBI lab findings. . .