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Lecture Topics Oswald's Interrogations

Friday 11/22 5 interrogation sessions (Source is Meagher);
Saturday 11/23 he had three; 11/24 he had one 9:00 to 11:15.

Lay out the times on p. 4 Then note that all Fritz claimed he had were 2 handwritten pages of notes of what transpired in these interrogations:

11/22 7.5 hrs. 11/23 3 hrs & 15 minutes; 11/24 2hrs & 15 min. total" roughly of 12 hrs & 30 minutes/ equals about ½ of a day of the 2 ½ days Oswald was in custody was taken up with interrogation

Note here that SS Kelley that he attended a total of 4 interviews w/ Oswald in Fritz's office (7H 403); also in his WC testimony Kelley testified that he attended these 4 sessions in Fritz's office (June 4, 1964 He said that he submitted written summaries of these interviews to SS Chief Rowley (5H 129-134).

End product made available to the WC were 2 pages hastily written pages by Fritz.

Key

Fritz's explanation: 2 years he budgeted for a tape recorder but the City comptroller denied him that line item. Fritz's explanation raised no skepticism or incredulity from the Warren Commission. Nothing was said.

According to Alex Rosen, the Assistant Director of the General Investigative Division there were 9 agents who sat in on the Oswald interrogations. (See Rosen to Belmont 12/61963, 62-109060-1868.

AND NO ONE HAD A RECORDER. No one thought of buying one for this most historic and most profoundly transforming political event of 20th Century America. (and quite possibly the world in terms of what came next).

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The American people were asked to accept that the only suspect in the Kennedy assassination—the most horrendous and seditious act of the 20th Century was himself silenced, leaving no record explaining his alleged actions.

Oswald was assassinated in the morning of 11/24 by Jack Ruby . As soon as this happened the SS swept up Marina Oswald, her two children, Oswald's mother, and Robert Oswald, his brother. They were spirited off to the Inn of Six Flags outside of Arlington, Texas.

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After diner two SS agents grilled Marina for almost 8 hours. All the interrogation was ON TAPE and sent in the early hours of Monday morning to SS HQers in WDC. The official account that only Fritz's 2 handwritten pages and SS Agent Kelley's written accounts to SS Chief Rowley offered no more truth than Alice's Look-Glass. Over the past 50 years these tapes have never surfaced. Presumably they were deposited down the memory hole along with the recorded interrogation of JFK's alleged assassin. [Source: To Director and SAC, Washington Field from SAC, Dallas, FBI Oswald files 105-82555-412 and 105-82555-0412 B1.