OSWALD/SOLE SUSPECT(All Box 9)

Topic Folders (Note Vorhees: LHO was lynched/F. 5/item 8)

1. Oswald as "only one" missing from TSBD:

F. 5/ Item 5; F. 6/Item # 1 attached Curry in WC testimony believes that TSBD was sealed off at about 12:45, F. 6/Item # 1 attached; F. 6/Item 4C, Curry's confusion about how the description went out over Police radio; see also F. 6/Item 4 for Rankin's need for clarification on the description of shooter at 12:45 p.m; F. 3/ Item 1 lists names by FBI of all persons known to be in the TSBD on 11/22 who gave statements to FBI; 71 names recorded; F. 3/Item 10 & 10A Mark Bridger key doc *** on myth of Oswald as only one who left the TSBD; F. 3/Item/ for statement of O. V. Campbell VP of TSBD) and structured to support the fiction that Oswald was the only missing employee from TSBD after the shooting; included statement re: Brennan telling cop right after shooting that he saw man in the SE 6th floor window. . .

Note: Molina a suspect for a short time. See F. 1/Item 3; F.1/Item 20 Rankin to Hoover on Molina; also Molina F.1/Item 20) bad copy; F. 10/Item # 18 McCloy questions on Molina case;

F. 4/Item 9 witness statements to FBI location at time of shooting/first person statements were to the FBI like Holy Water to a vampire; F.4/Item 10 cite of piece on the failure of DPD to seal off the TSBD before shooters could escape; F.4/Item 12/ Citation of Mark Bridger piece on that there was no roll call of the employees of the TSBD after the shooting; F. 10/Item # 17 Eisenberg raises key issue: any TSBD members "missing" at time Shelly had Oswald missing. (See Bridger essay: He notes that WC had the evidence that loads of TSBD workers were missing/went home/ left the TSBD w/o reporting to police but still clung to the myth that LHO was the only worker;

- 2. Motive: See note on F. 5/Item 1; Of course see my Motive file; F. 6/Item 15 raises issue re: Was Oswald planning to escape after killing JFK w/ only \$13 dollars and some cents. Interesting note re: motive by Dulles (who chewed on Motive more than any of the Commissioners); F. 1/Item 2 Capt. Donovan evaluation of Marine Oswald (high grades); Oswald & Russian language(emphasis here that he was selected by Govt & learned at US military school in California (name). Find cite in one of the WC ex. Sessions by Rankin. See F.1/Item 10 for Rosman's extensive treatment of this issue. Figure how to use it in motive; F. 10/Item # 21 As late as 11/18/'64 raises questions about the Police radio description of shooter. . . . raises question as to weather LHO could have been a patsy; read carefully.
 - 3.Oswald's interrogation: See note F. 5/item 2/item 3; FBI & SS men present at Oswald's DPD interrogations, F. 6/Item # 2 (15 in number); F. 6/Item 9 FBI Bookout on version of the line ups for LHO, F. 6/Item 9 (read carefully/good stuff); F. 6/Item 10 Oswald questioned for about 12hrs on 11/22, F. 6/Item # 10; Holmes account of LHO interrogation on 11/24 right before he was assassinated (point: Holmes depicts LHO as controlled and in control), F. 6/Item 11**; be sure to read Ian Griggs on LHO's interrogations; Oswald's efforts to get a lawyer see F. 2/Item 1 for John Abt's account; F. 2; Item 16/ Oswald agrees to speak to SS Kelley after retained counsel WCR p. 629; F.1/Item 5 copy of Fritz's written notes re: Oswald interrogations (full cite on p. 5; F.1/Item 15 stacking the line ups on Oswald (check with Griggs book); F.4/Item # 1SS Kelley and O's interrogations. Kelley says he attended 4 "interviews." These interview notes found in WCR pp. 626-632 Hal has some reservations about his account; also makes comment raising question about why the WC did not call him to testify p 2 of document. Was WC afraid that Oswald may have said things to Kelley of a confidential nature that WC did not want to know about; F.4/Item 13 a chronology of LHO 11/22 day in the City Jail*** useful; F. 4/Item # 14/ Griggs on Harry D. Holmes (notes that Holmes was a Dallas informant; he was T-7). *** See lan's segment "The Final Interrogation of

LHO." He gives cites of Holmes notes on this last interview. . . Holmes along with Sorrels and Kelley were present*** and Holmes asked questions.

4.Oswald in the frame: See note F. 5/Item 4; F. 5/Item 9 newspapers on 11/25 putting LHO in frame(FBI leaking-Katz); examples of news stories pushing LHO as pres. assassin in F. 5/item 12; P Hoch piece on US military with LHO as assassin, F.5/Item 13; F. 5/Items 14 & 15 Katz memos on making case against Oswald (mildly hysteric); F. 5/item 16 wild rumors abound in Dallas; this deals w/ threat on Curry's wife; F. 5/Item 17 11/23 Curry tells press based on pix of LHO w/rifle (K1) "This clinches it."; F. 6, Item 4 See Biffle news story on 11/23 Dallas Morn. News w/ official myth about Oswald as gunman in the SE Corner of DSBD, F. 6/Item 4B; more news stories 11/23 and 11/24 from Dallas Morn. News on Oswald as only shooter; F. 6/Items 5; Oswald tried in press, F. 6/Item 13 see press story and Curry on 11/23 "This clinches it." Re: pix of Oswald with rifle. . .; 11/25 NY Times story on tribute to Tippit as police hero (a cop killed by Oswald), F. 3/Item 5; Fonzi piece places Oswald in frame while AF 1 was still in the4 air on way back from Dallas, F. 3/Item 7**; F. 3/Item # 11 Dallas PD records at 1:40 P.M. have DPD record accusing Oswald of killing Tippit and JFK. Time of report is 1:40 P.M. (CST); Check WP for 11/25 for Warren at Rotunda. Did he mention Oswald as the assassin?????; F. 3/Item 18 How Police made much of the Oswald map (innocent enough/used in search for employment not as diagram of the shooting grounds; Rush to judgment piece is F. 3/Item 12 is WC Outline of Report on 12/30/63 on Oswald as Assassin of President. . . . Make comparison with the report of the 9/11 Commission; F. 3/Item # 19 Key doc*** Text of message written after Oswald was assassinated on 11/24.... Now FBI ready to put together report on the "iron clad" evidence of his quilt. . . . Agents on the way to Dallas (but evidence collected on 11/22-11/23 was still in BuLab****; F. 2/Item 10/ SAC Dallas to Director on 11/23 packed w/ lies about the evidence against Oswald (esp. Frazier and Dougherty)***; F.1/Item 7 Wade explains in 11/25 press story that map in O's room showed path of bullet.

The map was made to facilitate LHO's efforts to negotiate Dallas in search for job sites*** (classic Wade hanging the suspect); F.1/Item 13 Cites work by Jerry Policoff "Media and Murder of Kennedy" in book "The Assassinations: Dallas and Beyond." ***worth finding; Phone conversation Hoover & LBJ on 11/23 at 10:03 Hoover notes "...evidence against Oswald not very very strong" F.1/Item 18; heck Wash Post for 11/26 to see if Warren mentioned Oswald's name during comments at JFK funeral at Rotunda; F7/Item # 7 Holland Tapes notes that Kennedy Cabinet plane w/ Sorenson aboard on 11/22 heading for Japan received news at 12:45 p.m. that "Three shots were fired at Pres. Kennedy's motorcade in downtown Dallas." F. 7/Item # 8 Scott's piece where on first 2 pages he gets into the vital stats on Oswald (the shooter). . .notes that these vitals from the CIA and FBI files and not accurate for LHO; F.7/Item #10 News stories appearing on 11/25 & 11/26 (after Oswald's murder) run out "evidence" fro0m DPD and FBI proving Oswald was JFK's killer. All in line with the Katz memo****; F.7/Item 11/ White data base has useful note on the Oswald description that went out 12 minutes after the shooting; F 10; item 1/ while RFK was on way to hospital he turned to Kellerman and said "did you hear they caught the fella who did it . . . ;" F. 10/Item# 10/ Speer's notes on the FBI leaking conclusions of CD-1 to press/useful but there are earlier dates of this leaking than he has; F. 10/Item # 11 Speer on Brennan (and O's skills w/ rifle/this sent to Oswald & rifle)

5. Brennan/key witness/Oswald in SE corner: note F. 5/item 6; check Key Docs file for Griffith to Conrad/Bronson file/no one at SE window/item 7; See Clay (item 11/F 5 for FBI NO office for possible suspects that was ignored once Dallas came out w/ Oswald; Sawyer under WC testimony on the description of the shooter. . .His source was Brennan, F. 6/item # 1 ***P.D. Scott piece on Lee "Henry" Oswald and his vital stats that were CIA stats***Walter Cronkite called the suspect "Lee Henry Oswald." F. 6/Item# 16; Some of Brennan's WC testimony; F 3/Item 2 Excellent piece on Brennen(w. Belin's WC questioning); F. 2/Item 9 Brennan's WC testimony

by Belin; F. 2/Item 14 on the phony id of Oswald on 11/22 (FBI and CIA vital stats not Oswald's real stats; see F. 2/Item 15 for Oswald's non-political stats of height and weight(5' 9" and 140 lbs); F. 2/Item 17 (p. 2) text that blows away Brennan as key witness; F. 1/Item 14; WC Exhibit 1437 diagram of Brennan and distance from ground site to the 6th floor window. (See Wrone on Brennan's eyesight for this); F. 1/Item # 19C, Rankin wants pic of 6th floor window/how close to floor/ how high/ in short it is this WC pic that further blows apart Brennan's alleged sighting (w/out the Bronson pixs); F.4/Item 8/ snippet of Brennan exchange with Belin from Hal's WW; F. 7/Item 9/ Hal's notes 3H147-148 that at no time in the line ups did Brennan made an id of Oswald; F.10/Item 2/ classic FBI manipulation. FBI Agent Lish to SAC, Dallas, 89-43-136 notes that Brennan viewed Oswald in line up but failed to make i.d.... "but that of all the persons in the lineup he {Oswald]most closely resembled the man he observed with the rifle."(Classic FBI editorializing); Belin's walk-through of Dealey Plaza w/ WC members. . . Good for laughs as he makes a Cooke's Tour of the occasion with all the lies; F10/Item 5 *** Good for laughs. . .; F.10/Item #16 Ball & Belin outline for work on origins of shots from TSBD; F.10/Item 18/ Belin fights for sustaining Brennan as the WC's key witness***(when rest of WC [except for Ball] regarded Brennan as someone they would rather not discuss; F.10/Item 19; see esp. p. 19 he gets to Brennan and description of shooter. (I have Liebeler on his disregard of Brennan in another folder when he was interviewed by Reporter); F. 10/Item # 20/Belin again championing Brennan and arguing that the shot from the 6th floor (a la Brennan) is some of the strongest testimony in the Report****:

6. Notes on Fritz /and interrogation of Oswald. F.6/Item #12 Notes that Fritz as Capt. Of Homicide & Robbery, a post he held since 1932(makes it impossible to believe he ran such a criminally slipshod handling of the prime suspect (and charged killer of JFK). F. 6/Item 12; failure of Fritz to

takes notes of interrogation, F. 6/Item 144; F. 3/item 8 is Revill's list of cops in basement when Oswald was slain. . .no. 64 (3 copies); note that official story (for WC) was that no notes were made of interrogation. Then Fritz notes are found after Hosty reproduced his notes for his book, F. 3/Item 9; F. 3/Item 10A on Oswald interrogation (w/more if needed); F. 3/Item 14 a copy of a Fritz note on Oswald interrogation. F. 3/Item 17/ 2 WC 2 WC staffers curious re: any written comments re: Oswald's statements while guarding him???? Reflection of no written record or recordings of any of the interrogation of Oswald; F. 1/Item 9 Mae Russell's important "Last Words of Oswald"***; F.4/Item 5 WC staffers ask about any of those who were in contact w/ Oswald while incarcerated (other than Police official spokespersons) leave a record of what Oswald said; also Russell copy found F.7/Item 3; F. 10/Item 3 WC staffers w/ important data on Oswald's interrogations. They infer he was questioned 12 hrs on 11/22-23; 2 hrs on 11/23; 2 hrs on 11/24 before he was murdered; ****; F. 10/Item 4*** Robert Lee Oswald diary cites that on 11/24 after Lee was killed Robert, Marina and Margarette Oswald were taken to Inn of Six Flags. . . after diner Marina was questioned by SS agents w. TAPE RECORDER present***; F.10/Item 6 WC staffer Ely on suggests Oswald was mistreated (abused)**;F.10/Item # 7 Rankin raises issue of mistreatment of Oswald; F.10/Item # 8 Ford has questions about Oswald in the lock up; F. 10/Item # 9/ memo on phone call on 3 A.M. on 11/24 warning that Oswald will be killed when moved; ****; F. 10/Item # 12 batch of docs on Fritz(will need better copy); F. 10/Item #1 3/ Will Fritz's official sources****; F. 10/Item #22/ Sam Stern et al raise questions about Frtiz's handling of Oswald and security matters.. Fritz raises excuses for failure to have tape recorder; placed in budget and was refused for 2 years(Incredible)***(Barney Fife);F. 10/Item 23/ Stern on treatment of Oswald by Fritz/DPD;

7. FBI control over Dallas PD and the SS. F. 6/Item 12 FBI slaps down Curry for statements FBI failed to notify DPD of Oswald as an interest of the

- FBI; F. 3/Item 9 Hal's note on Rowley's turning over investigation to the FBI, FD. 3/Item 9; F. 10/Item 14/ A. Rosman key piece on Fritz & Oswald Murder****;
- 8. Oswald & lack of security. F7.Item 1/ Dallas cops Boyd & Sims were assigned to Oswald in City Jail by Fritz. They had interesting things to say about Oswald ***;
- DA Wade---How he ran his office: F.7/Item 2 DiEugenio piece that deals with Wade and idea of "justice;" F. 10/Item # 15 WC (Rankin) holdings on Wade on tape and film making statements about the case****;