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Who Was Oswald?

Notes from DiEugenio, Part I

Assume the Oswald case Had gone to Trial:

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Oswald at
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Evidence

1. Paraffin tests on his face would have exonerated him from shooting a rifle. . . especially one like the M/C which was a relic and would have produced an abundance of blowback that would have been all over Oswald's hands.

What about the Tippit shooting. . . ? If he didn't shoot JFK why shot a cop?

Some of you mentioned that the FBI/Dallas cops not able to match the Tippit bullets as a definitive ballistic match with Oswald's revolver. . . (That was only the one bullet retrieved by the dr. at Methodist Hosp. The others were removed by Dr. Rose and the FBI never got around to collecting these until March when the WC wondered what happened to the evidence. . .

Also: the prints of the man who leaned on Tippit's patrol car and spoke with him before Tippit got out of the car. The fingerprints lifted from the car were not Oswald's. . .

2. Established that Oswald was no Daniel Boone with a rifle. Moreover, no one in Dallas ever spotted Oswald with rifle at a shooting range or out hunting. . . No matter how much of a hot shot you are practice is essentially to maintain skills as a marksman.

3. Oswald contention that he was on the first floor of the TSBD right after the shots rang out. . . His account to SS Kelley. . . the man with the crew cut.

This was Allman and Ford story. Oswald told Kelley that he was on the first floor of the TSBD when the shots rang out. . . Within moments he was approached by a couple of guys who wanted to get to a phone. This was Pierce Allman and Ford. Oswald identified one of them as having a crew cut and flashing what he thought

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were SS credentials. . . .Actually, Allman flashed his credentials as program directors for Dallas TV and radio. . .

Oswald reported this to Kelley and sometime after the assassination (March 1964?) the SS located Allman to investigate whether he had a set of phony SS credentials. After locating Allman and questioning him the SS was satisfied that he was the guy Oswald had directed to the phone of the first floor of the TSBD only “moments” (Allman’s characterization) after the fatal shooting of JFK.

Some esoteric: Oswald was on the CIA’s Watch List. . . .and his mail was subjected to CIA intercept. . . .

CIA contacts: While in New Orleans “working” for FPCC (Pro-Castro group) of which he was the only member. All of his contacts were w/ anti-Castro Cubans (contacts that were not friendly but still w/ Cubans). . .

When he was arrested for the brush up with members of DRE he chose jail rather than pay a \$20 dollar fine. He calls the FBI and the Bureau sends Quigley. . . .

William Walter, FBI security clerk, when asked to check the FBI files on Oswald found an entry under his name and it carried the slug line “informant classification.” Check Davy’s book “Let Justice Be Done” p. 286-7

Before Quigley went off to the slammer to speak w/ Oswald he asked FBI file clerk Wm. Walker to check with the Dallas files to see if there was a file on Oswald. Walter checked and there was a file carrying an INFORMANT classification. . .

Walker so testified to this before the HSCA but since the HSCA could not find corroboration from Walter’s co-workers. . . But Walker left the FBI on good terms and never attempted to gain any notoriety or attempt to “sell” his story, etc. . .

Piece de resistance: Oswald’s efforts to get in touch with John Hurt, a number in Raleigh, North Carolina on Saturday night (11/23). . . .Two plainclothes men blocked the call. . . .the operator at the Dallas PD was instructed to tell Oswald that there was no answer at the number.

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Hurt was former military counter-intelligence. What was key about this was that NOI operated a base in the coastal town of Nags Head identified as a base that operated a false defector program to the Soviet Unionplacing sleeper agents inside Russia. . .

Mention that David Slawson (assistant counsel w. Warren Commission) heard tapes that purported to contain Oswald's (the real Oswald's voice) while he was supposed to be in Mexico. When he was queried about this by the ARRB Slawson refused to answer.

Question: Was Oswald actually in Mexico in late September 1963 into October 1st . . .

----- Part III Deals with Oswald & Mexico ----- I did not review this. . .