Dear Jim,

2/6/78

For spectro/NAA appeal or remand. Source FBIRQ #105-32555-4584, the report of Robert P. Gemberling dated 8/5/64 covering the investigative period 6/10-7/31/64.

Having tried to pretend that there was no "missed" shot when President Kennedy was assassinated - and failed to get the Warren Commission to go along with that particular misrepresentation - the FBI then succeeded in hiding its certain knowledge that proof relating to the missed shot and its cause were forever lost.

Of the possible explanations of what happened to the curbetone on which there was a ballistics impact the more likely is that the hole (also called a nick and a scar at the time of the assassination) was simply patched.

The other alternative is that the section of curbstone was replaced. This is unlikely. It also would have attracted too much attention.

There is no FBI explanation of the absorting in any of its reports or reconstructions that mentions the /issed shot of the wounding of James T. Tague. Ill these formals statement by the FBI are identiful.

Most shocking is the version in its supposedly definitive five-volume report ordered by LBJ before he appointed the Warren Commission. The beginning of those five volumes is a text of 88 numbered pages. (Some have letters added.) It has less than five dosen words on the orise itself.

The first chapters a is of but two and a half pages. It is titled " ... and a second the first chapters and the other irrelevant!

It has two subheadings, one/second "A. Assassin in Building" and "B. Patrolman "iprit Killed." (As related to the Breathy hilling assessination sonnecting the Tippit Killing also is conclusory.)

"Assessin in Building"is of but two short paragreans. The second does not relate to facts of the crime. It is an infaithful account of what unnamed and unidentified witnesses that go on so eas it has met there are, or when they are represented as having seen.

All there is in five fancy bound volumes on the crime itself is

"As the motorcade was travelling through downtown Dallas on Elm Street about 50 yards from west of the intersection with Houston (Exhibit () three shots rung out. Two bullets struck President Kennedy, and one wounded Governor Connally. (The rest of the paragraph is not on the crime: "The President, who slumped forward in the car, was rushed to Parkland Memorial Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 1 sp.m.") es did not

Before going into the proof of my cearlier work I found in the records esell ordered the FBI to give me I want to put this together in simpler language.

The FBI states that in all three shots were fired. Of these thre shots two struck the President and a third one struck Governor Connally.

There really is no quibble about the language because if it did not mean this the FBI would be making no other mention at all of the third short. Besides, it does not say "one of these (two)bullets also hit Governor Connally."

On the remote chances some extreme partisan might pretend it meant what it did not say I used other of these records in <u>Post Morton</u>. They even calculated where the motorcade was when each of the three shots hit. There are a number of such statements. I've used them but they remain unknown because nobedy else has.

(The Source Service tried to pull the same one only its calculations different from those of the FBI by a few feet. Remember the executive session transcript on this that I used in I think WW IV - Rankin said lets split the difference.)

Gemberling's report goes into the curbatene in the symposis: "Additional investigation conducted concerning mark on ourb on south side of Main Street near triple underpass..." Of this is states unequivocally what I have said: "No evidence of mark or nick is now visible." Leaving no doubt at all is the next sentence: "Photographs taken of location where mark once appeared." (I have marked this on the copy I've made for you and am sending with this. The original is unmkarked.)

With attention this is a blockbuster.

Table of contents shows that pp. 27-39 are on this investigation. The last words of the entry are said Struck JIM TAGUE. It against the said, but it from a tributed it is

Jim's name is mentioned one time, as the appropriate page of the index shows. (166)
He is on 27. The entire page is a subhead, wordefor word the language of the table of contents. There is no other mention of Tacasa at taken these storages are taken to the same taken the same and the same taken the same are taken to the same taken taken the same taken taken taken the same taken tak

contents. There is no other mention of Tacasa.

Although the FBI avoided the two Delias photographers, Underwoodend Dillard, for almost nine months, both state there was a visible mark. Their FD 102s, not their words but those of FBI agents socking to play it does, are included.

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Agents Barrett and loss less state there was a mark. They were able to locate the point where it "had been." And they go on to say it is not there now, or when they did this July 1964 investigation. (But they de conjecture that rains and cleaning the streets could have work off the congrete!)

where they talk about Dillard having two pictures they may not be lying but they are wrong. I have these two. I think we used them in deposing the retired agents and that they are in the record.

There was a third, the best. Of it Dillerd told me that "the federales did not return it." Maybe this was Shaneyfelt, maybe someone before he was sent down. This is the one I used in Post Mortem.

Now there is a better explanation than the FBI's conjecture about what happened to the spectro plate on the curbstone testing. They conjectured that the lab merely thre it away to save space. Not the other plates, only this one. To save less than an eighth of an incha?

I remind you they elaim the spacer detected only two of the dozen elements of a ballet with an inch of speciment to select from which hieroscopic quantities are adequate for the test. We still do not know of those two if they are even compatible with the results on the bulletemetal testing.

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Another provocative mystery remains: what hap ened to the movie file Jim Fague took in 5/64, to show his folks when he went to visit them?

Tague still does not know how the Commission knew he had taken any pictures.

But he does know that those movies showed no mark on the curbstone remaining as of 5/64 t of SA ROBERT P. GEMBERLING, 7/2/64, at Dallas.

This means that someone destroyed the absolute proof of conspiracy prior to the time he took the pictures in May 1964.

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Attorney in Dallas Berefoot Sanders. Dillard had taken these pictures mentioned in the Gemberling report. We was simuse also reading accounts of the solution to the crime that made no mention of this missed shot. So he spoke of it to Sandors when they net at a social function. Senders office. I believe "artha See Stwood," then wrote to Rankin. This again represented example moviedge washington doubt no longer impressible the Certer to the FBI to investigate the curbstone, about early 1964.

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sould be targer than the hole that was to be hidden. Perhaps a parcing mix was used, maybe even movior or plastering sand said Inches than concrete size, which is much coarser.

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