

Notes on "Inventory of Contents of Tapes, Dallas Radio Stations, Archives" (Meagher 6/26/70)

KBOX

Will Fritz says the case looks good. Says the man they picked up said "I got me a cop and a President, now I'm going to get me two more."

N.M. McDonald quoted Oswald's statement. Police had to restrain the crowd as they feel he is assassin. He did kill Tippit.

Sheriff identifies rifle as a 7.65 Mauser with telescopic sight.

Lee H. Oswald was heard to say after arrest--"I got me a President, a cop and it's all over--I need two more"--He was pulled yelling and screaming from the theater. No Secret Service man was injured however he slashed another officer across the face with a pistol.

Secret Service men say the President was shot with a German Mauser.

Sam Pate with a live report. Oswald was practically carried to jail. He kicked, cursed, and hollered. Bragged that he got the President.

A report that three more men are involved in the shooting. Captain Will Fritz said suspect now denies everything.

More on Oswald who is described as a fanatic...Rumors of western style lynching discounted.

Sam Pate reporting from City Hall. At the lineup Friday night he noticed that Jack Ruby was there when only the Press was supposed to be there.

Bill Hampton described scene as it happened in City Hall when Ruby shot Oswald. Much talk of Jack Ruby...Ruby is sometimes sadistic...Commentators discuss Ruby's presence in City Hall and the constant vigil he kept there. Question as to why he was there so much, unobserved.

Phil Allen--reported that a threatening call to the police station said "I do not want any police officer to get hurt but I do want to get that---." Repeat of threatening calls to attorney Droby...Seems to be a group and motive is questioned.

Ron Jenkins reports that Will Fritz made statement to press to the effect that the Dallas Homicide Division considers the case of the assassination of President Kennedy wrapped up and that Oswald was guilty of killing the President.

Dallas Police say Kennedy was assassinated by a shot from a warehouse. Used high powered army Japanese or German rifle of 25 caliber with a telescopic lens.

KRLD

Dan Rather, CBS correspondent in Dallas reported shooting incident. Said 3 shots emerged from the crowd as the motorcade passed three buildings. Reported again that a boy saw a man lean out of the 5th floor window and fire shots and also reported that an adult saw a man and woman crawl along on a grassy knoll walkway and they might possibly have fired the shots.

Dallas reporter, Joe Scott, announced there was a blockade at Elm and Houston. Four shells were found on the fourth floor of the...Depository...

KRLD

Steve Perringer...at intersection of Field and Elm Street. Officers and Secret Service agents have just taken a man who appears to be about 25 years of age into custody. The man denied any knowledge of the shooting. He said he had gone to the depository merely to use the telephone. Other radio reports received at this time say that officers have another suspect north of here that they are checking out.

Details of assassination. Presumed to be a 25 caliber high powered Army or Japanese rifle. Police Inspector J. H. Sawyer found remains of fried chicken, indicating that someone had been there quite awhile.

When suspect Lee H. Oswald was arrested, he brandished a pistol at officers J.D. Tippit and N. M. McDonald. Oswald fired at J.D. Tippit, who was killed and Officer McDonald rushed Oswald. Oswald was heard to say "It's all over now." It is thought that two men may be involved in assassination.

Very little news of suspect. No one arrested in the building. Discussed the amazing accuracy of marksmanship to hit the president apparently with the first bullet...A well planned assassination. Not a spur of the moment like on FDR in 1933...

Informed sources think the assassin might be heading for Mexico. Speculation that Lee H. Oswald is apparently not guilty if search has extended to Mexico... (5 hours later) Still only 2 suspects. Obviously carefully planned shooting.

News Bureau from Los Angeles said Mexican Border now reopened on a restricted basis.

Will Fritz reports that witnesses have identified Oswald as the killer of Tippit. It has not been established that he had anything to do with the killing of President Kennedy, but he was in the building at the time.

Dan Rather talking about circumstances surrounding the killing -- it was well-planned in advance, rifle perfect, etc.

Dallas police say that Oswald has not been charged with anything as yet.

Another report on Oswald being apprehended. Still nothing official to connect him with the death of President Kennedy. He has been charged with the murder of Tippit, but denies he killed anyone.

Marvin Kalb reporting from Dallas says the general feeling there is that the assassination was possibly the result of an excellent marksman madman and not particularly Communist inspired.

11/23/63 Dan Rather--County Court House--Described scene where President was killed. Something about a 30 caliber weapon on top of boxes...Police indicate they will complete questioning Oswald this afternoon...Major General Walker made statement.

In the original charge against Oswald, a statement to the effect that the police wanted to inject the phrase "a plot of international communism" was dropped and not put in charges. Someone ordered these words be dropped from charge.

Bob Huffaker at Police Headquarters. Tension mounting. Break in case. Capt. Will Fritz and Chief...Curry are waiting in the basement. Curry said, "We are now sure of the case" Fritz said "A cinch case".

Oswald still not admitting anything...Still appearsto be arrogant...

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Dan Rather described the inside of the County Jail...The assassin concealed himself in a high window, corner window...A 30caliber weapon was used as the President's car made a turn--about 75 yards down below the window.

Dallas Police Department reported today they are certain Oswald is the murderer of President Kennedy and police officer Tippit.

(After 7 p.m.) Bulletin from Dallas. Dallas police say tonight they have in their possession photographs Oswald holding the same rifle that was found.

7:30 p.m. Drastic new development...Tape of an interview with Chief Curry--this regards order letter sent for rifle--Oswald's handwriting matches order letter. No final report on ballistics test.

Oswald will be transferred...at 10 a.m. in the morning. He has repeatedly denied any connection with the death of President Kennedy...A real mob scene is expected in the morning when they move Oswald...It doesn't appear that Oswald will break and confess.

Mr. Hughes Rudd asked how many bullets entered President's body. Apparently two. Connally was hit by one.

The FBI, local police and representatives of the DA's office are with Oswald.

It is 9 p.m.

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Oswald to be transferred this a.m. to the County Jail. Reports are that there is an eye witness, a negro boy. Oswald still declares his innocence...

Madame Nhu ignores letters and telegrams about assassination. She remains in seclusion in Rome.

Lee Oswald has been shot. Much hollering. Bob Huffaker down in basement at Court House reports the shooting...Whoever did the shooting must have been a detective or Secret Service agent as he emerged from that bunch of men...Only people allowed down in the basement were SS men, detectives and the reporters. The reporters were kept in a corner. Suspect someone dressed as police or detective...The guards were heavy in case of "lynch" mob but this again was a one man job. A small caliber pistol was used...

CBS - Oswald's death seems to end chance of conclusive findings if he is assassinator. Reporters feel they are in no position to point the finger of guilt.

Late report from Dallas police headquarters, Bob Huffaker reporting--Will Fritz... said that the case of Oswald and the Presidential assassination was closed as far as he was concerned. Complete confusion still at City Hall among reporters. Security measures have been increased to the utmost.

DA Henry Wade, says he won't release any more of the evidence that he says the officers have against Lee Oswald. He says Oswald case is closed, we have to get on with the Ruby case.

9:15 Dan Rather from Dallas, talking to CBS newsmen in New York...Washington officials are not giving up at all, but are trying to make Mr. Wade make the evidence public. There seems to be almost open public conflict between Fed govt and Dallas authorities.

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CBS New York--report from Moscow (Stuart Novins)--Pravda article...links Kennedy's alleged assassin, Lee Oswald, with the American Trotskyites. In the (Pravda) lexicon, a Trotskyite is something even worse than the Capitalists.

Dan Rather, Dallas, just finished seeing movie that was taken by an amateur. Showed details of the Kennedy shooting. Description of Zapruder film (KRLD Reel No. 65 "A" page 7) attached.

Hughes Rudd, Dallas. FBI notified the City police...that FBI received an anonymous tip that Oswald would be killed as the transfer was being made...Police dispatcher says they have no record of the call--but the sheriff's dispatcher received a call a little after 2:15 a.m. the same morning and they do have a record of it.

Capt. Glenn King of Dallas has acknowledged receipt of phone call about Oswald being killed. He also said there were other anonymous phone calls from NY, Calif, and other places threatening Oswald's life...

Feeling is that security measures with Oswald were very lax. Ruby said he shot Oswald on the spur of the moment, that he decided on it after driving by the place where President was shot, several times.

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Dean Webber -- Dallas Police claim airtight case against Pro-Castro Marxist, LHO, as killer of President, including photo of him holding the rifle...Oswald still denies everything...The FBI report Oswald bought the Italian 6.5 Carcano...with telescopic sight, from a Chicago mail order house for \$12.78...

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Joe Long, Mobile Unit 4 reports: All squads converging code 3...They are looking for a 30-year-old man with a 30-30 rifle...Search continues for man centered at Elm and Houston near TSBD.

25-year-old man caught at Field and Elm Streets.

Gary DeLon reports police have arrested man fitting broadcast description... Report that one SS agent has been killed.

A rifle has been found on 5th floor of the building from which the President was shot. It is believed that more than one person was involved--possible two white men and one Negro.

Confirmation that SS agent was killed; wrap-up of day's events.

Repeated report that a SS man had been killed.

Rifle found on stairway of an office building believed to be assassin's weapon --7.65 Mauser German made army rifle with telescopic sight.

Suspect in custody believed to be man who killed police officer in Oak Cliff. J.D. Tippit was officer killed, when he and Officer N.M. McDonald ran into rear of theater where suspect was apprehended.

Gary DeLon at Police HQs: Capt. Pat Gannaway said it looks good on both of them (that is, the suspect being questioned killed both President and Tippit). Suspect's wife is a Russian--being checked out...Captain Gannaway said suspect has visited Russia...

1. Continuing Don Mathers' description of the movie film he saw, describes the scene leading up to the assassination. The President's open black automobile was making a left turn off Houston Street onto Elm Street, right on fringe of downtown area. The turn was made from just below the window where the shot was fired.
2. As the car made the turn and went past the building (keep in mind the window was on the 6th floor) it got about 25 yards from the base of the building. President Kennedy had just put his right hand up to the side of his right eye, brushing back his hair or rubbing his eyebrow. Mrs. Kennedy was not looking at him. Sitting in front of the Kennedy's were Governor and Mrs. Connally, sitting in the jump seats. The Governor and President were on the same side of car, and the side of the building where assassin was located. Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Connally were on the opposite side. Two Secret Service men were in the front seat. At almost the instant the President put his hand to his eyebrow and Mrs. Kennedy was looking away, the President lurched forward. It was obvious that he had been hit but you had to be looking closely. Mrs. Kennedy was not aware that he had been hit, however Governor Connally seemingly heard the shot and sensed something was wrong because he turned in such a way as to extend his right hand and his expression seemed to say "What happened, what's the matter!" When the Governor turned, his whole shirt front was exposed--at that moment a shot very clearly wounded the Governor, who fell back in his seat. Mrs. Connally threw herself over the Governor. This was the second shot. The third shot definitely hit the President and he fell forward with considerable violence. Mrs. Kennedy stood up immediately, her mouth wide open. The President slumped over against Mrs. Kennedy and nearly toppled her over. Mrs. Kennedy threw herself out of the back of the car onto the trunk of the car, on all fours, stretched out--a Secret Service man was on the bumper. She either tried to help him get into the car or she felt there was danger--he pushed her back into the car as she seemed to be in danger of falling off the trunk. A Secret Service man in front seat, was already on the telephone and the car sped away. It took about 20 seconds to complete these events. Three shots fired total, and the President was hit by two.
3. This film was taken by an amateur photographer, 8 mm color camera, who had positioned himself on a street light base, focused on the automobile.

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A local paper did a recent article on suspect who said he was renouncing his citizenship. He is known to local police as an employee of TSBD.

Gary DeLon at interrogation room to report results of Oswald questioning momentarily. Report from Sgt Jerry Hill of attempts and final apprehension of Oswald.

Report Capt Fritz said Oswald same as admitted slayings but has not signed a confession.

(Information) on number of bullets that Struck President and Governor.

Fantastic marksmanship.

House Committee on Un-American activities says Oswald appears to be same individual.

Recurring rumors that other arrests have been made. At least one young lady has been taken into custody for questioning about 2 stalled trucks containing weapons. If FBI and SS are taking over, details will be very scarce. Praise of Dallas Police.

Connally: Slight turn as shot fired probably saved his life.

Oswald owned no car--how did he get to Oak Cliff?

Dave Millstein (gives reconstruction LHO alleged movements TSBD to TT)

KLIF Reel 18 pages 1-2, attached

Officer J.D. Chaney interview--right rear guard on car in motorcade.

President shot in face on second shot. Shot came over my right shoulder.

That first shot was motorcycle backfire.

Since interrogation is at stand-still, will play light music and give news between. (Apparently late evening, but before 10:15 p.m.) They are doing paraffin tests on his hands.

11:15 p.m. Police indicate they will file charges when and if they can tie murder weapon to Oswald.

11:51 p.m. Bulletin - Charge may have been filed against LHO in murder of JFK.

News at midnight: LHO charged with murder of JFK.

Music. Repeat that LHO officially charged with JFK murder--to go before Grand Jury next week.

Repeat of LHO arraignment.

Music. 12:40 a.m.

News recap.

Music. News: Oswald charged, paraffin tests made. DA Wade interview--no confession--declined to discuss fingerprints. LHO's wife not charged--"not enough on her."

Continuation of interview with DA Wade. Suspect will be transferred to County Jail. Think have sufficient evidence for conviction.

1 a.m. headline: LHO charged with JFK murder.

1:21 a.m. Repeat of report: filing of formal charge against LHO.

(Ray Nichols--??) "I've just returned from Police HQs. On a tip from local

Russ King

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Dallas, Texas

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1. Tragedy of deaths in Kennedy family.
2. Further funeral arrangements.
3. Entire news department on duty at KLIF.
4. Review of inauguration.
5. Unanswered questions - time and transportation elements.
Sumrise - Shooting of J. D. Tippett driving east on 10th, stopped a person walking West, talked through car window.
6. President Johnson's activities.
7. Report that Security Officer killed was concerning Tippett.
8. Resumé of events.
9. Nationally known democratic chairman of Temple, Byron Skelton, said he wrote attorney general November 4th, also Walter Jenkins, vice-presidential assistant, urging President not to visit Dallas.
10. Gary DeLoon at Police headquarters - Seven hours and 23 minutes ago, President assassinated. Oswald still being questioned, also his wife. Oswald charged with Tippett murder.
11. Dave Millstein -
 - 12:30 p.m. Assassination
 - 12:45 p.m. Oswald at rooming house, 1000 Blk N. Beckley
 - 1:15 p.m. Policeman shot three blocks away
 - 2:00 p.m. Captured at Texas Theatre, 5 blocks or 6 from shooting.

Crossed Houston Street Viaduct up Zanes to Beckley, then to his rooming house. Down 10th where encountered policeman and shooting took place, then just barely a half block on, turned down Patton Street toward Jefferson

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just one block away. Then double-backed to the West,
down Jefferson across Zanes and two blocks to Texas
Theatre. This route he could have used.

12. Kennedy children taken from White House.
13. 2:45 p.m. Presidential plane left Love Field.

END OF REEL

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night club owner, Jack Ruby, I asked Mr. Wade a very pertinent question -- Was Oswald sane or insane? Wade said: I consider him very sane. I consider that he had a motive behind all of this that was planned some--maybe months in advance."

3:45 a.m. Interview with LHO, interview with DA Wade, Reel 8 page 1, attached.

8 a.m. News...Late report from Police HW--Gary DeLon: A caller has called saying Dallas Trade Mart to be blown to bits. Reliable rumor says FBI knew LHO to be a Red Agent.

Official Charge read by J.P. David Johnston. Repeat of Wade interview.

8:45 a.m. Dallas police are investigating possibility that sniper is the same one who attacked General Edwin Walker.

10 a.m. News...Paraffin test given LHO is positive. Result of test on cheek not released.

Tyler Dunn reporting from Buffalo, N.Y. Interview with a man who was there.

2 p.m. News. At first it was indicated that LHO was driven from downtown area by a negro. LHO later said he went to Oak Cliff by bus and taxicab... Captain Will Fritz: "This case is cinched."

5p.m, news- Capt Fritz says LHO is killer of President. LHO refuses lie detector test.

6 pm news (Reel 35 page 1, attached)

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7 a.m. news. Some of the evidence piled up against LHO: Rifle he owned was not in its customary place on day of the assassination...talked about politics, claimed democracy is immoral, but never said anything against President Kennedy.

Some reports say the FBI questioned Oswald 6 days before the assassination but neither SS nor DFD were notified.

8 a.m. Oswald to be transferred from City Hall to County Jail about mid-morning.

8:27 a.m. Additional charges may be filed against Oswald...may go before a grand jury this week.

9 a.m. R. S. Truly at TSBD said he saw Oswald just before shooting. Truly identified Oswald as an employee for officer searching building and checking out employees.

10:30 a.m. Oswald to be moved to County Jail within minutes--we will bring direct coverage of that.

11 a.m. Police have airtight case against Oswald, they say. Transfer...is imminent. Open line to Jail for this report. Related news reports. Report of communication from Madame Nhu to Mrs. Kennedy.

11:10 a.m. At the moment we are waiting for Oswald to leave for Dallas County Jail. We are having to clear this area for him to be whisked away to the...Jail.

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1. Music
2. Repeat of arrival of late president's body at White House.
3. Fifteen until 4:00 a.m. News on the hour at 4:00.
4. Weather report.
5. Interview with Oswald: "I was questioned by a judge, however, I said that at that time I was not allowed to join that short and sweet hearing. I really don't know what the situation is along ... the murdered ... I ... nothing more than that. I do request that someone come forward to give me legal assistance. (Did you kill the president?) "No, I have not been charged with that, in fact, nobody has said that to me yet. The first thing I heard was when the newspaper reporters in the hall asked me that question." You have heard the statement made by accused slayer of President Kennedy when he was brought before 100 reporters a few short hours ago."
6. Interview with District Attorney: "Formally charged in Precinct 2, Dallas County, before Judge David Johnson. "He's been taken before the judge and advised of his rights. He has been charged with the slaying of both Officer Tippett and President Kennedy... (What does he say about killing Kennedy?) "He denies this. ...11:26, was when he was charged on latter charge."
7. Other related news and weather.

END OF REEL

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1. Routine broadcast.
2. Repeat of news reports.
3. Routine broadcast.
4. 6:00 p.m. news. Schools closed Monday.
New development in Oswald case. A man wearing taxi-driver's cap and another man were seen at Police Headquarters. He (Oswald) has stuck to a story that he left the building early because he thought it would close in honor of the president. He said he rode half-way on a bus to a room he rented under a fictitious name, took a cab home, changed clothes and went to a movie. He was subdued in a fight with Police at the theatre. His boss says he saw Oswald in the building right after the assassination.

END OF REEL

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Unconfirmed reports that Oswald may have been gunned down by a small, elderly man with a small caliber revolver. Waiting official word. Pandemonium at City Hall. An ambulance is moving in.

11:27 Continued report that Oswald has been shot and is being rushed to...hospital.
11:29 Probably shot in the right side of the face.

A small elderly man has been taken into custody...Gary DeLon report: I know the man--everybody there does. He clutched his stomach...Man who shot (Oswald) has been identified as well-known Dallas night club operator, Jack Ruby. One Dallas policeman said he knows man by sight, and if he had seen him, would have thrown him out.

Assailant...gained entrance with a reporter or camera man...Precautions of the greatest magnitude taken by police to protect Oswald--to no avail.

Joe Long--Police Chief Jesse Curry told us this case is, in effect, closed. Jack Ruby is the man police say placed a gun into the side of the man and put one bullet into him. Oswald will be in surgery for hours.

Reaction from Gordon McClendon in Cleveland, Ohio--People here have not seemed to grasp the fact that Oswald had so much evidence against him. They feel Oswald is being held in lieu of a better suspect.

Officer P.T. Dean said Jack Ruby admitted shooting LHO. He did it for Mrs. JFK so she wouldn't have to go through the ordeal of a trial. He didn't appear drunk or insane. He had no plans for getting away.

Jack Ruby leaped over railing and shot Oswald in side. An ambulance was standing by. The armored car had to be moved.

Resume of statements by Chief Curry and Captain Fritz on airtight case against Oswald...George Senator said Ruby is about 52 years old, didn't know why he might be moved to shoot Oswald...Statement by attorney Jim Martin that George Senator had been to see him this morning to try to help Ruby. Martin says Ruby is highly emotional.

1:22 p.m. News report from Parkland--Oswald is dead...At 1:07 this afternoon, Dr. Shires announced Oswald officially dead. Gary DeLon witnessed this killing...Without a trial, without a signed confession, Oswald died. World will never know for sure if he was assassin.

Ruby has a record of assault charges in Dallas. Three lawyers have rushed to his defense. Capt. Glen King, tape recording, couple of calls came in night, don't know substance. (Gives Ruby arrest record, 1953, 1954 and 1959.

Captain Fritz reiterated statement that he is sure Oswald was sniper who killed the President. They were unable to question him after he was shot (Oswald).

Jim Martin...called in to defend Ruby. Calls came in threatening C.A. Droby if he defends Ruby...Case of President Kennedy's assassination has been closed--announced by Capt. Fritz. But we never stop looking for evidence.

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Glen Duncan at Police HQs--George Senator is still being questioned... Joe Long--Many questions to be asked. Ruby has 4 attorneys. One source at Police HQs said, "Joe, this opens vistas we never dreamed possible." Resume of events. Oswald had no chance to make death-bed confession. How Ruby got into the Police HQs is not known. Even well-known police reporters Gary DeLon and Glen Duncan had to show identification 3 times.

Glen Duncan with Sgt. Patrick Dean interview. Ruby said he posed as a member of Press.

Interview with Officer W. Chambers, who helped subdue Ruby.

Background on Ruby--He had no identification on him, it was found in his car at the parking lot where attendant said it had been since early this morning. Ruby had \$2013 on him and a pistol.

Tom Howard says Ruby is very emotional man.

"Ruby is a loner and a bully--not much better than the man he shot."-- Geneva Foster of Los Angeles. Ruby told his sister a few minutes ago, "I just couldn't help it."

Points being pursued--Was there a direct connection between Ruby and Oswald? Routine broadcast--7:30 p.m.

Just before midnight: Assistant Customs Agent William Klein said Oswald made trip to Mexico September 26th and spent a full week there returning October 3rd.

WFAA 11/22/63 from Trade Mart (not clear if WFAA, may be KRLD)

Dallas police are believed to have surrounded the person who is suspected of having made the assassination. However, no person has been arrested as of this time. A dragnet is out in at least two sections of the city, one of them where the incident occurred and the other in the Oak Cliff section of Dallas.

NB: No time is indicated for the above item but it was subsequent to confirmation by Farkland that JFK was dead ("He was shot in the head by a high powered rifle, apparently from a window in a building on the western end of downtown Dallas.") which was at 1:30 p.m. The OakCliff dragnet therefore can be assumed to be in wake of Tippit shooting, although there is no item on Tippit.

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Bulletin from UPI. A Dallas policeman was shot and killed today as he chased a suspected assassin...through a movie theater...Tippit was slain as he and...McDonald ran into the rear exit of the Texas Theater. Tippit and McDonald had received a tip that the assassin of President Kennedy

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might have gone into the theater. An usher told them a man in a brown shirt had entered the darkened theater a few moments before. According to police headquarters Tippit fired a shot, McDonald rushed the suspect and the suspect said it is all over now. McD and the suspect sprawled over the seat in the theater. McDonald's face was slashed. Police say it was a 4" gash.

Bulletin from UP, Dallas. Police Captain Pat Gannaway today said a suspect held in the assassination...was an employee in the building where a rifle was found. Gannaway said the suspect had visited Russia and was married to a Russian. This was not immediately confirmed. The suspect's citizenship was not known. Gannaway said the suspect was the same man who shot and killed a city policeman. J.D. Tippit was slain as he and fellow officer N.M. McDonald chased the suspect into a rear exit of the Texas Theater.

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News--Police say paraffin tests on Oswald were positive...Oswald refuses to take lie detector test.

Bulletin--Will Fritz says the case against LHO is "cinched". We are convinced without any doubt he did the killing. There were no accomplices.
(Timing of above bulletin cannot be estimated)

Normal traffic has resumed between U.S. and Mexico.

An Irving man (Paine, no doubt) who knew Oswald perhaps better than anyone else said that one of the reasons LHO became unhappy in Russia was because the Russians refused to let him own a gun.

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6 a.m. Case against LHO is airtight.

7:05 a.m. Evidence piled up against LHO related.

8 a.m. When Connally was Secretary of the Navy Oswald wrote him a letter stating "He would employ all means [to get even for dishonorable discharge]." (X)

UPI Five Star News: Resume of Oswald shooting...Report that Ruby approached J of the P Johnston at Oswald arraignment....Canadian pilot Donald Lippert convicted by Cuban tribunal and sentenced to 30 years for landing explosives at Havana Airport for CIA...Sign off 11/24/63.

Dallas Morning News in copyrighted story said DF found map in LHO room...with line drawn from building...to where JFK was shot.

Murder charges filed against Ruby...Oswald's palm print found on the murder weapon.

(X) "... to right this gross mistake or injustice
to a bona-fide U.S. citizen and ex-service man
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Ruby's attorney said Ruby will plead temporary insanity.

Bulletin from Washington--Texas Attorney General Waggoner Carr announced..a court of inquiry into death of JFK and his accused assassin LHO.

Jack Ruby said he killed Oswald after driving over the route in which JFK had been killed on Friday.

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Parkland Hospital--President announced as dead. Suspect picked up in a theater. A policeman killed too.

KXOL Fort Worth 11/22/63

(After bulletins on JFK being shot, Yarborough at hospital, tears running down his face, etc.)...Police Chief Buddy McGill reported today that 3 telephone threats were made against the life of President Kennedy before the President's arrival in Houston yesterday...

WBAF Fort Worth 11/22/63

David Daniels--WBAF reports that a speeding car was stopped in Ft. Worth with perhaps the suspect in it...Reports that several persons are under arrest. A foreign made rifle has been recovered at scene of assassination...

NBC news reports a car believed to be assassins car has been siezed in Ft.Worth and one man arrested.

Policeman shot and killed after assassination.

Negro woman rushed in hospital with wounded child. Not determined as to when or how child was wounded...

Interview with onlookers, who were close enough to the shooting that they had to lay down on the ground...

Report and confirmation of policeman who was shot. SS man reported killed also.

High powered rifle with telescopic sight was used...Depository was evacuated by all except workman before motorcade passed. Remains of chicken dinner has been found on 5th floor.

Pierce Allman reports from Dallas. Described motorcade route and location when shots, sounded like fireworks, were fired. Says SS man was killed... Went into Depository Bldg. Immediately building was heavily guarded. Uncertain which floor shots came from. Not informed of death of Kennedy until he got back here to the station...

David Daniel--Later report. Crime Lt. J. C. Day just came out of that building. Reported British 303 rifle with telescopic lens. 3 empty cartridges on floor. Gun rest made of papers on window-sill. Remains of meal as if someone had spent quite a while waiting for motorcade to pass...

WBAP Fort Worth 11/22/63 continued

Fort Worth--A white man, black curly hair, red shirt, arrested here in connection with shooting of Dallas Police (officer), shortly after President assassinated. Handcuffed and sent to Ft. Worth City Jail...

Dallas Police state a 7.65 Mauser rifle, German made with telescopic sight, one shell in chamber, 3 spent cartridges nearby, found in a staircase on 5th floor of Warehouse. 2 or 3 shots fired. Police say 3rd shot hit...Connally...

David Daniel - WBAP. Report of arrest of Lee Oswald - being questioned on President's shooting also. Oswald reported saying, "It's all over now." J. D. Tippit killed...

David Daniels. Report arrest of LHO. Arrest described and slaying of officer given.

Man in Ft. Worth arrested for slaying.

Police have found German 7.65 rifle...(etc., as above)...scraps of chicken, indicating person there for some time...

WBAP--David Daniel. Tells of apprehending suspect in assassination, but the one in Ft. Worth is not involved.

24 year old LHO is man who shot and killed J.D. Tippit, DP officer--shortly after the President's assassination. Police decline to say if Oswald is implicated in the President's death...

James Haggerty, ex White House news, on presidential protection, refers to "Cuban (sic) attempt on Truman's life in 1950"...Assassination was planned, deliberate conspiracy. First time rifle was used...

WBAP--Tom Wayland reporting. Report of DP Homicide Detective Leavelle's statement. Little doubt Oswald killed Tippit. Recap of capture and quote of Oswald's statement. Coincident that Oswald worked in building near where JFK was shot. Police decline to say if LHO implicated. Recap LHO history and his life in Russia...

ABC - Additional news: Top Treasury official states "No SS man killed as reported earlier." Report that Dallas Policeman killed believed correct. General John Gearhardt, commander of NCRAD, denied Command placed on Alert...

Mexico City--Customs said the Border was closed immediately after K's death...

LHO has been questioned for 2 hours about the two deaths. He has denied any connection with either of the killings. It is important that so many disagree about how many shots were fired...

WBAP Fort Worth 11/24/63

News conference to detail some of the evidence against LHO...Wade is holding the press conference. This evidence was gathered largely by the Dallas police, with the help of some of the Federal agencies...(Wade refuses comment on "unusual" for Ruby be present Friday night, replies did not know Ruby before 11/22/63, thought Ruby was press but Ruby told him as he was leaving that he was night club owner.

WBAP Fort Worth 11/26/63

Report that Oswald had to go to Police Station to be fingerprinted to complete immigration forms. When asked if it wasn't good to be back, he replied, "Let's just say I'm back."

Reported that LHO tried travel to Cuba last September and then on to Russia.

Sheriff Bill Decker of Dallas has taken issue with foreign reports that say it would be impossible for anyone to fire 3 shots as fast as the 20 seconds it took to shoot the President twice and the Governor once. As no autopsy was being performed on the President it does not seem conclusive that he was hit by 2 bullets.

WFAA 11/22/63

Pierce Allman from TSBD--President going from Houston to Elm. Applause then shots. Stunned. Then...sped away and officers drew guns. 2 witnesses near car...said shots came from upper window of TSBD...Witnesses said JFK was shot 2 times, then slumped forward in seat.

Motorcade had just turned corner from Elm and Houston, when 3 shots rang from TSBD. Saw witnesses and officers fall to ground. Up in window I saw a rifle being pulled into window from 5th or 6th floor. People looked up. Much confusion. Motorcade then sped off...

Report from witness in office near theater--We heard shot, saw suspect coming down the street, reloading gun. He stuck it in his belt, turned and went up a street. We phoned police and others in the office followed the suspect upstreet. After that the area was surrounded by police. Were unaware that suspect was wanted also for shooting Kennedy....

Interview with Mrs. Roberts. Describes Oswald...under fictitious name O.H.Lee ...western magazines, murder mystery books and a book in foreign language... LHO came in today in a hurry, got a coat and left immediately...

Curry report: FBI says have order letter mail order house for rifle, writing same as LHO's, under name A. Hidell on 3/20/63...rifle same type used. Photos of LHO with rifle of similar type...cost \$12.78...

Oswald said to be rational, calm and did not desire services of attorneys there. Charges against him filed...Curry believes Fritz will not have LHO transferred today. Has visited with family--attempting get attorney Abt of NY...associated with defense of Communists. Curry is sure of case even though LHO has not confessed.

Captain Fritz interview...still working on rifle, will talk to LHO more shortly, case getting more sure as time passes...

WFAA 11/24/63

LHO has just been shot...The suspect was apparently posing as a reporter... There is much discussion on where Ruby was and how he managed to get in and shoot. Police seem convinced that he was in this killing by himself.

Authorities know of no one else involved in the shooting of Oswald...there are no more suspects. They have been asked if there was a call or warning that Oswald might be shot. Police Chief says he doesn't know of any...Ralph Paul interviewed...Mrs J.D. Tippit interviewed from her home.

WRR Dallas, dates not indicated

Bulletin from WRR--John York reporting from Police HQs in Dallas. Jerry Hill, policeman, is talking to reporters. Says they have a 24 year old suspect being interrogated. It is established that he shot the policeman.

Confusion as tape begins--Seems to be press conference. Oswald hasn't been arraigned on President's death, charged though. He has been arraigned on J.D. Tippit's death. Arraignment on the president's charges will probably be at City Hall.

(11/22/63 early in day) President and Mrs. Kennedy expected momentarily. Crowd is restless...TV and motion picture cameras and men from various newspapers are recording events for posterity. SS men apparent in the crowd for protection of President K.

Unknown date and time: "Repeat of Chief Curry's interview...Oswald arraigned for murder last night about 1:30..." (full text attached)

Series of special reports by Bill Carroll, no dates or times given..."...Fritz has just shown some photos, slide pictures, to Oswald. Has pictures of him with rifle and pistol. Evidence that someone was taking movie of parade during time slayer drawing bead on President...

"Captain King, Homicide Bureau--verified Oswald charged with murder of Tippit. No other charges as yet on President's murder..." (full text attached)

Press interview with Chief Curry (discussing powder marks LHO hands, how he "got to Ft. Worth from Dallas," report negro picked him up in a car, smudged fingerprints on rifle. "They won't know at present if this has anything to do with firing on Major General Walker earlier. Oswald has no car." (full text attached)

Bill Carroll, City Hall - Interview with Captain Fritz. Fritz says Ruby charged with murder. Says it couldn't have been avoided the way it happened. Description of shooting. Certain Oswald shot the President and certain he was alone in it. Oswald did not make statement before he died. Says case of shooting of President now closed--they won't ever quit seeking evidence however. Says more evidence may come out in Ruby's trial. Refused to comment further on that statement concerning evidence. Denies knowing ambulance standing by at jail. Denies now that he knew a call received earlier this a.m. that such a murder might be committed. Doesn't know if Ruby had an accomplice or not.

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1. Dallas F.P. Pierce McBride interview - Just returned from Parkland Hospital where he authorized autopsy on body of Oswald. Is here to accept murder charge against Jack Ruby for killing Oswald. Capt. J. W. Fritz swore out complaint before Asst. D.A. W. F. Alexander. Accepts complaint for filing in Justice Court, Precinct 1, Place 2., as of this date. Just read complaint to Ruby, advised him of his right to consult counsel. After examining trial, he will determine amount of bond, if any, will be set. Ruby is being held without bond. Ruby said lawyer would be among attorney Tom Howard, Fred Bruner or Stanley Kaufman. McBride states Ruby was calm and composed.
2. Security measures were taken and except for putting on bullet proof top of car, no one could have protected Kennedy due to the angle of shots. Dallas Police in for national criticism because of mistake in security measures for Oswald.
3. Conflicting reports that bubble-top NOT bulletproof, said it would only have reflected bullets.
4. Unknown how Ruby got in police station. Discussion of Ruby.
5. Ruby being arraigned and charged with murder - will probably ask for death penalty. Fact it was an eye-for-an-eye thing, shouldn't make any difference.
6. Ruby's roommate, George Senator, unknown if he was involved. Senator being held for questioning and denies any knowledge. Says he last saw Ruby when he left to walk his dog. Doesn't know Tom Howard, attorney for Ruby.
7. Report of Chief Currey's interview on unnumbered reel. Continuation of additional statement. Currey states Oswald to go to County Jail after complaint filed. Grand Jury action expected in middle of next week. Linked to president's slaying due to his being on floor where rifle found, was seen carrying package which could have contained rifle due to it's shape going into building that a.m. Placed there at time of shooting. Oswald put in request for lawyer. His mother is getting one this a.m. Oswald arraigned for murder last night about 1:30. He refuses to answer questions, denies knowledge of crime. Currey believes Oswald sane. Reports on priate unknown yet.

8. Bill Carroll - Fingerprint smudged on rifle. Report confirmation that Oswald did fire the shots. Recap on Oswald.
9. Oswald in Homicide Office for interrogation. He slept some last night and ate normal breakfast.
10. Jeff Edwards, KRLD news - Interview with Mrs. A. G. Johnson, Oswald's landlady. Said Oswald spoke on phone about twice a day in foreign language. Says he was always respectful of her working house rules. Appeared sane, rational, clean of self and his room. Mrs. Johnson said her housekeeper stated Oswald came wandering in between 12:30 and 1:00 o'clock. Got his coat and left. Did not reply to her remark on him being in a hurry.
11. Bill Carroll - Special report. Dallas described as being in state of shock, disbelief. Even hardened veterans newsmen in tears. Feeling of grief for his family. Unidentified woman just left funeral wreath on Neely Park lawn near where Kennedy struck by bullet. Even men known to be in disagreement with President visit site and weep. People from all walks of life left unsigned floral offerings on lawn. Feel it an act of insanity to kill the President. Stoves closed, social engagements cancelled in respect.
12. Bill Carroll - Special report. Captain Fritz has just shown some photos, slide pictures, to Oswald. Has pictures of him with rifle and pistol. Evidence that someone was taking movie of parade during time sniper drawing head of President.
13. Bill Carroll - City Hall. More description of Dallas and their saddened people. Traffic heavy on Elm Street. Police will resume questioning of Oswald soon. Oswald denied any knowledge of everything, both parade and presidential slaying.
13. Captain King, Homicide Bureau - verified Oswald charged with murder of Tippett. No other charges as yet on President's murder. Rumor that police want to make sure every detail is in place before charges are filed. They are sure Oswald murdered Kennedy. Rumor denied that President's assassination was part of an international plot and that some of the plotters are fleeing across the Mexican border.

END OF REEL

1. Press interview with Chief Cusby. He stated powder marks on Oswald's hands proved he had fired a gun. Said there was Communist literature in his room. No evidence anyone else involved but men with Communist background who works at Texas School Book Depository building being questioned. He denies any knowledge of the crime. They don't know how Oswald got to Ft. Worth from Dallas. Unconfirmed report that a negro man picked him up in a car.
2. Officers passed Oswald up in building because management said he was an employee. They hope the smudged fingerprints on rifle will establish Oswald fired the gun. They won't know at present if this has anything to do with firing on Major General Walker earlier. Oswald has no car.
3. After Oswald was tied up with slaying of Tippett, the trail went back to him. He denies everything.
4. Ticket seller at theater called police due to Oswald's suspicious actions. As they searched theater, Oswald jumped up, said "This is it", and tried to draw a gun. He resisted arrest violently. Two officers were treated for injuries and another officer received scratches.
5. Police didn't know Oswald was in Dallas. Understand FBI did know it due to his subversive background.
6. Interview with City Manager McCall. He had praise for Chief Cusby and the Dallas police force.
7. Interview with police officer. Stated Ruby was restless, the he slept some. Report that he hanged himself denied. He is in maximum security section of the jail with personal guards. Lead not set for him.
8. Glen King interviews Tom Howard, attorney for Ruby. Talk of different penalties for murder. Feels D.A. will ask for death penalty. They will apply for bail. Is on way to see Ruby now. Ruby very upset and nervous, appears in state of emotional collapse.