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- President Kennedy has been killed by an assassin's bullet. Mrs.
  Kennedy held her busband in her arms as they rushed to the hospital.
  Priest administered last rites of his church.
- Police found a foreign made rifle and are holding a young man for questionning. Witnesses say three shots were fired.
- Kennedy was the first Roman Catholic President to hold the office.
- Johnson and his wife left the hospital shortly after President died.
   Shock is visible to all.
- 5. Senator Yarbrough wept upon hearing the news.
- 6. Statement about past presidents.
- 7. Secret Service says Kennedy was probably shot by a high powered rifle from a warehouse window. Remains of lunch found there. Description of a 30 year old man being questionned.
- 8. Everything was done for President but there was no hope. Johnson automatically new president but oath not given yet. Description of Johnson and history of personals. Swearing in was by Judge Sarah Hughes, weeping through oath. President left immediately for Washington.
- Andrews AFB is expecting the presidential party along with Kennedy's body early in the evening.
- 10. News about the whereabouts of the Kennedy family.
- 11. N.Y. Stock Exchange closed.
- Senate recessed and Reverand Frederick Brown Harris prays for strength for all.
- 1.3 Dallas Homicide Detective 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."
- 14. A Dalias policeman was killed while chasing suspect assassin. Suspect identified as Lee Harvey Oswald of Ft. Worth. Pulled yelling and screaming from a Tenas Theater.
- 15. On Fovember 1, 1959, Oswald applied for Soviet citizenship. Reported to have a Russian wife.
- 16. Policeman, N.M. McDonald, quoted Oswald's statement. Folice had to restrain the crowd as they feel he is assassin. He did kill Tippett.
- 17. Recap of President's tragedy.

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- 18. Body removed from Parkland Hospital, accompanied by widow. Mrs. Kennedy appears to be in shock.
- 19. Report of crowd waiting at Trade Mart for the luncheon there.
- 20. Moreonews of the President's wounds that killed him and Governor Connally's condition.
- 21. More Markens photographer from the Dallas Times Herald said after he heard the shots fired, he looked up to see two memperating from an upper story window of a warehouse and saw a rifle being quickly drawn into the 6th floor.
- 22. Repeat of V.Pres. taking oath of office for presidency.
- 23. Station Break.
- 24. Brief resume of Presiden'ts life.
- 35. Kennedy's two children have birthdays following week.
- 26. The tour was a good will tour until tragedy. At Love Field, upon arrival, the President and Mrs. Kennedy had been shaking hands with crowd, less than an hour later he was dead.
- 27. News of the tour and where else they planned to go. First trip Hrs. Kennedy accompanied him since Primary Campaign preceding election.
- 28. Talk of Covernor Connally's condition. Repeat of President Johnson taking oath of office.
- 29. Recall of Adlai Stevenson's bad treatment when he visited Dallas.
- President's body will be flown to Washington. Report on Connally's condition.
- 31. Repeat of Kennedy's past history briefly; Senator Yarbrough's statement read; and repeat of suspect being arraigned.
- 32. President's last two days visit in Texas recalled. Erroneous report that a Secret\*Service man was hurt when President was killed.
- 33. Sheriff identifies rifle as a 7.65 Mauser with telescopic site. One shell in chamber and 3 spent shells.
- 34. Bulletin--Police say Oswald, Chairman of Fair Play for Cuba Committee is suspect picked up earlier.

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- 35. Charles Graham of Dallas, a spectator, watched the Motorcade and was one of the crowd. Was approximately 35 feet from the President's car and he was standing and waving at the crowd when the first shot hit him and an awful look covered his face.
- 36. When the President's body left the hospital it was in a bronze casket and loaded in a white hearse, accompanied by Mrs. Kennedy.
- 37. The body is expected in Washington sometime in the night.
- As description of the bloody limousine used by the President is described.
- 39. Kennedy's assassination was the fourth in American history and the first once since William McKinley's in 1901.

- Lee H. Oswald has been identified as the man who shot police officer J.D. Tippett in a Dallas Theater.
- 2. Report from Parkland hospital reveals that Governor Commally is in satisfactory condition. The bullet broke several ribs and collapsed a lung but has now been reinflated.
- Report that Kennedy's family has been told of the tragedy of the President in Dallas.
- 4. Announcement that L.B. Johnson is now the 36th President of the U.S., has flown to Washington and the President's body is on the same plane. President Johnson took the oath of office on Jet Plane Air Force One, the same one that landed only hours earlier with the presidential party. He was accompanied by Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Kennedy.
- 5. Report that the suspect picked up has a Russian wife.
- 6. There is nothing definite on the President's funeral arrangements however they expect him to lie in state in the White House one day for private ceremonies before being placed in the Rotunda of the Capitol.
- 7. President Kennedy was the youngest President the United States ever had. He was 46 yrs. old.
- First some speculation that President Johnson had been hit by a builet too, then that he had a heart attack, but both proved false.
- Talk about the suspect and being accused of slaying the policeman.
   The suspect was employed at the School Book Depository, scene where the President was shot.
- Parkland Hospital--Governor Commally's condition reported again and mention of where the bulkets pierced him.
- 11. An interview with a news photographer that followed the Presidents Car in the Motorcade was repeated here. He heard a noise, thinking it was a firecracker but automatically looked toward the President's car. As he turned he faced toward the School Book Depository and at that same time saw two colored men leaning out a window looking upward toward another window. The photographer them saws a rifle being jerked back inside an upper window. Didn't see a man or a scope on the rifle but figures the man had a 45° angle to fire at the President.

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- 12. Recap of President's reception and speech at Ft. Worth earlier in the morning.
- 13. When he arrived in Dallas there were no signs of animosity but at one p.m. the trip was over.
- 14. News of Kennedy's family finding about tragedy and where they were at the time they were told and how they accepted the news.
- 15. Talk of the suspect repeated. Oswald was a member of the Fair Play for Cuba committee, who was agreeted after shaying policeman.
- 16. Repeat, no definite arrangements for President announced.
- 17. Lee H. Oswald was heard to say after arrest—"T 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.
- 18. Lyndon B. Johnson announced as now the President. Some of Kennedy's background on his family is given.
- 19. Stock Market Shut Down.
- 20. Secret Service men say the President was shot with a German Mauser.
- 21. Officer J.D. Tippett was slain with a pistol. Crowds were around the theater.
- 22. Repeat of news of Kennedy's family gathering at Hyannis Port and Cardinal Cushing going to the family there.
- 23. Sam Pate with a live report. \*Oswald was practically carried to jail. He kicked, cursed, and hollered. Bragged that he got the President.
- 24. A report that three more men are involved in the shooting. Captain Will Fritz said suspect now denies everything.
- 25. Peoples reactions are read over the radio. There is an announcement that there will be religious services all over Dallas until midnight.
- 26. President Johnson took eath of office on the Jet Plane. He was under heavy guard from the time he left the hospital after the President died.
- 27. Reporter tells of shock suffered by everyone at the Presidents death.
- 28. Mrs. Connally seemed to have the best idea of what had happened. It appeared the President was hit by the first shot. A report that he was DOA at the hospital--but was erroneous.

- Continuation-Ross Jenkins of KBNV describes the President's publish wounds. Describes Dallas that day as a Black Day.
- Bill Hampton--KBOX--Notice that Laredo has closed the Mexican border for 72 hours.
- President Johnson will meet later that night at the White House with McNamara and MacGeorge Bundy.
- 4. Boston, Mass--Jimmy Kay with WMEX--Describes this city as one of shock and stunned reactions. Their Governor issues statement of sympathy.
- Around the world reaction.
- Repeat and recap of the President's death and the new President taking office.
- 7. Talk of Oswald's capture and the Governor's conditio n.
- Repeat announcement of close of the border.
- Sam Pate reporting--said the suspect is in Will Fritz's office and has not admitted anything. Was taken to the line up.
- 10. More news about Governor Connally's condition. Repeat arrest news of Oswald and shooting of T ippett.
- Announcement that nearly all activities have ceased for the time being.
- 12. Question as to what will be done with the \$300,000 from the dinner to be held in Austin that never came about.
- 13. 'Different views are given or read of sympathy. Nearly everything locally and nationally have been cancelled until after the funeral.
- 14. Expectation of Mrs. Kennedy informing her children of their fathers death.
- 15. Dean Rusk and cabinet members on way to Japan are returning to the U.S.
- 16. Several statements by U.S. dignitaries are read.
- 17. Ron Jenkins from the KEOX Mobile Unit--Mayor Cabell declares a day of Prayer--all churches will remain open until midnight.

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- 18. More talk of Oswald and his work at the School Book Depository Building-his association with the Russians, chairman of the Fair Play for Cuba, etc.
- 19. Two women probably took the last live picture of President Kennedy. Hary Mormon and Jane Hill took it at the same time he was bit by the bullet. The picture is described.
- 20. Mayor Cabell's proclamation is reread.
- 21. Eye witness description given.
- 22. Reaction coming in from all over the world.
- 23. Governor Connally is expected to recover completely.
- 24. Sports cancellation announced.
- 25. Report that Kennedy's body will lie in state for private ceremonies for family and dignitaries in the White House before being moved to the Rotunda of the Capitol for public viewing.
- 26. Russian and London condolences.
- 27. Dallas-Governor reported satisfactory--J.D. Tippett killed and news again of Oswald being picked up.
- 28. Announcement that the rifle was found in the School Book Depository Building--also the same report that 2 or 3 men are involved.

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- Police questionning prime suspect. Hope for information from him momentarily.
- Body to lie in repose at White House 23 November for viewing by family and dignitaries.
- Repeat of body being flown to Washington.
- 4. President Johnson and Speaker of the House, John MacCormack are to hold the meetings necessary. Sources at the Executive Mansion say the body will lie in state at Capitol later for public viewing.
- Ron Jenkins reporting. Background news of Oswald, his wife and child. His wife Russian. Oswald in Russia 2 years.
- 6. Local news.
- 7. Different statements from people in other States are read.
- 8. Condolences from around the world are offered.
- Report of Governor Connally's condition as satisfactory.
- 10; Chronological breakdown of final minutes of President before tragedy.
- 11. Dean Rusk and members of the cabinet turned around en flight to Japan because of the assassination.
- 12. Bulletin -- The New President Johnson makes his first official statement.
- Praise for Kennedy and his family and they are of interest to the whole world.
- 14. Other condolences from different sources are expressed nationally.
- Talk of the President and his problems in office, author of a book at 23.
- 16. Customs closed Mexican border.
- 17. Vatican City--Pope Paul prayed for Kennedy's soul.
- 18. N.Y. Stock Exchange closed.
- Reaction from around the world. Bells at St. Patrick's Cathedral began tolling and at Trinity Church. Condolences from London, France, Iceland, Germany.

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- 20. President Johnson's first statement read again.
- The Senate's work schedule has been abandoned. Chief Justice Earl Warren issues a statement of mourning.
- 22. Repeat close of Mexican Border, and Stock Markets close.
- 23. Repeat Cardinal Cushings statement.
- 24. Lt. Governor of Texas requests Texas churches hold memorial services for the president the following day.
- 25. Bill Hampton--reporting--A manhunt for the assassin is being carried on. Repeat related details. The doctors say there was never any hope of saving the President's life.
- 26. Repeat report that the President's body will lie in repose and viewing schedule will be issued later.
- 27. Repeat of chronological breaddown of President's last day in Texas is given.
- 28. More on Oswald who is described as a fanatic. Repeat details about his life and statement when arrested.
- 29. Rumors of western style lynching discounted.
- 30. Officials comments on assassination.
- Discussion of Kennedy and Cuban crisis and other problems encountered while he was in office.

- 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. He wondered why he was there.
- Bill Hampton from Parkland Hospital. Blood was rushed to the Emergency room for Oswald who appeared unconscious. Jack Ruby shot him.
- Phil Allen reporting. Speculation as to what Ruby had in mind when he watched the lineup. Note that the shots were heard around the world.
- 4. Funeral services for the President will be held tomorrow.
- 5. Recap on Oswald.
- Recap of events preceding Oswald's shooting and his personality and past. His condition listed as critical.
- 7. Unidentified Ft. Worth Policeman says he knew Oswald from the 5th grade. Recalls Oswald's argument with a school coach and his remarks. Details on his background. Described as a sharpshooter.
- 8. More news about the murder weapon.
- 9. Bill Hampton described scene as it happened in City Hall when Ruby shot Oswald. Much talk of Jack Ruby, born Jack Rubenstein in Chicago, Illinois. Ruby is sometimes sadistic. Love you one minute and hate you the next.
- 10. Oswald made no comment before lapsing into unsciousness.
- -11. Awaiting press conference at City Hall. 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.
- 12. Question? Was Oswald's Mother and his wife there at time of shooting.
- 13. C. A. Droby, attorney arrived at City Hall to see Ruby, who was being interrogated on the 5th floor.
- 14. Reporters discuss Ruby stepping out of reporters that were bunched together, took perhaps one-half step and plunged gun into Oswald's chest and fired. He attempted to fire several times but gun wouldn't go off.

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- 15. Ruby owns a Strip Tease joint called the Carousel.
- 16. Droby gives some profile on Ruby. Says Ruby isn't married now but has two children by a marriage. Droby has not yet been hired by Ruby but has represented him before and came to City Hall automatically.
- 17. Talk of Oswald. Described as one with no friends. Said you could not argue with him because he had no reasoning. Sort of a loner. Was in Marines.
- 18. Report from KBOX--Ron Jenkins in City Hall says Oswald is in critical condition. Bringing in witness down at City Hall. All reporters and everyone is being searched for concealed weapons.
- 19. Droby, the attorney, has been receiving threatening calls. He was told be would be the next to die.
- 20. Ruby described as emotional but unstable.
- Witnesses that know are acquainted with Ruby are being brought in and questionned.

- Talk about Ruby shooting Oswald and why he might have done it.
   Described as an emotional man and very upset over the President's
   death he was said to have made theremark that he didn't want Mrs.
   Kennedy be burt any more.
- An attorney that was to represent Ruby has received some threatening phone calls.
- 3. Dick Moore at Parkland Hospital reported that Oswald was dead.
- 4. Reportees discuss turn of events.
- 6. Interview with an attorney associated with Mr. Druby, another attorney representing Ruby, said he automatically went to police headquarters when he heard Ruby had been arrested.
- 6. Speculation that Ruby was a very unstable person.
- 7. Phil Allen-Gives profile of Ruby.
- Bulletin from Parkland Hospital that Oswald might die.
- Ron Jenkins at City Hall says the police are bringing in all people who know Ruby.
- 10. Repeat again of Oswald's condition and Ruby's disposition and some of his background. Said he would give you the shirt off his back at one time and knock you down another.
- 11. Oswald never admitted anything.
- 12. More background on Ruby. Said he was married once and had two children but not married for some time.
- 13. Speculation as to why Ruby shot Oswald-Resentment? Emotional??
- 14. Recap of events---President's body carried on caisson to lie in state in the Rotunda of the Capitol.
- 15. Attorney says the police are denying him the right to see Ruby but the police say they were not ready for him to see Ruby.

- 1. The reporter that is talking about Oswald's wound says it was probably made by a 38 caliber pistol. Oswald made no comment before he died.
- 2. Bulletin from KBOX--City Hall--Talk of Ruby and his past record--Born as Jack Rubenstein in Chicago, Ill., Mar 25, 1911. Came to Dallas approximately 10 years ago. In January 1949 he was arrested for carying a concealed weapon--May 1949--Same Charge--CCW-- in May 1954 CCW--No disposition of these charges. In December 1954 he was arrested for violation of State Liquor Law--was dismissed. In June 1959, violation of the Dance Hall Ordinance--Aug 60 same charge--No disposition. The next new charge will be November 24, 1963--Murder.
- 3. Bill Hampton reporting—Police Chief Curry said the reason he moved Oswald at the designated time was because he had made a promise to all reporters that he wouldn't attempt to move Oswald in the night and tried to keep his promise.
- 4. Repeat of Ruby's record.
- Tom Howard, a criminal attorney has gone to see Ruby.
- Attendants at the hospital had been warned to stand ready in case an attempt was made on Oswald's life. Hethods were described that were used in the hospital when working on Oswald.
- 7. Ruby's background.
- Ruby has been officially charged with murder in first degree. Is now conferring with attorneys.
- 9. 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 \_\_\_."
- 10. Bulletin from City Hall by Jerry Kunkel--Tom Howard, attorney has been employed by Ruby. He is with Sullivan and Howard. Another firm to help on the case is Bruner and Daugherty of Dallas. Howard was asked if Jack Ruby knew Oswald was dead. Howard didn't know.
- 11. Repeat of threatening calls to attorney Druby who was supposedly to represent Ruby-Seems to be a group and motive is questionned.
- 12. Interview with Howard.
- 13. Ruby's background repeated.

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- 14. 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. Ruby has been charged and will be tried for nurder.
- 15. Report of the President's body being carried to the Capitol on a Caisson where his body will lie in state.

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- Dick Moore in Washington makes announcement that the President id dead. Shot by an assassin. One policeman dead, suspect arrested.
- 2. Connally in critical condition.
- Mrs. Johnson said Vice President Johnson was unharmed but in a state of shock. A doctor is keeping him quiet.
- The President was administered the last rites before he died.
   The scene at the hospital is grief.
- 5. Music (America)
- Description of how tragedy happened as motorcade drove the route to the Trade Mart.
- L.B. Johnson has left the hospital under heavy guard. Senator Yarbrough collapsed in tears at the President's death.
- 8. A rifle has been found and suspect is being questionned.
- 3.000 people had gathered at the Trade Mart for the luncheon and were being served and were unaware of what had happened.
- 10. Russia radTo said the President in the U.S. had been assassinated by Right Wing Elements.
- 11. Events leading up to the tragedy of Kennedy are given.
- 12. Yarbrough's statement read.
- 13. Events repeated again in regard to the tragedy.
- 14. Reminescence of President Kennedy's administration and other President's who had died in office or assassinated or attempted assassination.
- 15. A reporter at the School Book Depository interviews a witness at the scene, name Charles Bragg.
- 16. Governor Connally condition is serious, lapsed in a coma, getting ready for surgery.
- 17. Day described as a happy day until black tragedy.

- 1. Schools are to fly flags at half mast for the mourning period.
- Reporter repeats seeing a gun emerge from the window of a building.
- Governor Connally who was wounded is undergoing surgery and is expected to recover. The President is dead. Three shots heard.
- It isn't yet official when Johnson will take office but he is automatically President.
- 5. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, the President's parents, learned of their sons death from a workman at their place in Hyannis Port. Mr. Kennedy is a semi-invalid since a stroke several years previously.
- Edward Kennedy, US. Senator, was presiding over the Senate when word reached him.
- 7. News of condolences come in from all over the world.
- 8. Before Connally passed into unconsciousness he said, "Please take care of my wife". They are still looking for assassin. Police have one suspect and a gun has been found.
- 9. Flags in Dallas are at half mast.
- 10. The President's parents have made no comments. Some of the problems that arose during Kennedy's administration were discussed.
- 11. More reaction from around the world.
- 12. Conflicting reports on the murder weapon. The building from where the shot came from has been evacuated. Remains of fried chicken and paper on the fifth floor were found.
- Suspect has been apprehended. Policeman J.D. Tippett was killed. Suspect has admitted three shootings.
- 14. Bill Hampton--KEOX News room. Bulletin--A Secret Service agent and a Dallas policeman has been reported killed.
- 15. Tradition is for a new president to be sworn in within 12 hours after crisis and Johnson will be sworn in soon some place in Texas.
- 16. J. Edgar Hoover has ordered an all out investigation.
- 17. N.Y. Stock Exchange office closed.

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- 18. Soviet News carried reports of the assassin and said he was believed to be from the extreme right wing elements.
- 19. The President took time out from his tour, before he was killed, to telephone former Vice President John Nance Garner to wish him a Happy Birthday.
- 20. 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.
- 21. President's body taken from hospital--Mrs. Kennedy goes with it.
- 22. Lt. Governor of Texas makes statement.
- Repeat of news that Connally is still in serious condition. More reaction of assassination from Russia. Reaction from Senators.
- 24. Official word but unconfirmed is that 3 men were killed today.
- 25. Dean Rusk and other members of the cabinet are returning home after being enroute to Japan.
- 26. Recap of all previous news.
- 27. V. President Johnson was sworn in the the Jet Liner at Love Field by a woman judge.
- 28. The suspect arrested is 24 year old Lee H. Oswald. Arrested for killing policeman J.D. Tippett, suspect of assassanation. Another policeman, McDonald, was arresting officer who was stashed across the face.
- 29. Senator Yarbrough's statement repeated.
- 30. Highlights of news repeated.

KBOK--Dallas Reel No. 10

- 1. Report of Kennedy's two speeches in Ft. Worth.
- Richard Nixon had just left Texas a few hours before the President arrived.
- 3. Texas Welcome Dinner has been cancelled.
- 4. Expect L.B.J to be sworn in at any time.
- Did not know if the President had received two separate wounds or one. Governor Commally is in swrgery.
- Lt. Governor of Ballas will not take over unless he is asked by Governor Connally.
- An erroneous statement that Johnson had suffered a heart attack but he is under a shock.
- 8. Reaction of people in Dallas.
- Talk of 24 year old suspect, Oswald being arrested and under questionning.
- 10. Recap of some of the same news.
- 11. A brief on Kennedy's term.
- 12. Recap of all events of the day. Johnson officially sworn in.
- 13. Resume of Mrs. Kennedy's tragedies. She is accompanying her husbands body back to Washington.
- 14. Suspect is being questionned. Says he fired shots which killed Tippett, which he later denied.
- 15. More recapitulation.
- 16. World Wide Sympathy expressed.
- 17. Report on J.D. Tippett, the slain police detective.
- 18. Kennedy's background given. The two Kennedy children will celebrate birthdays next week.
- 19. Repeat of Oswald's comments when arrested.
- 20. Repeat of events from the time the Presidentarrived at Love Field and described as a happy day until tragedy struck.