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AT CEDAR HILL, TEXAS

On December 2, 1963, FRED WELLS, Highway 87 South, advised SA'S HENRY J. OLIVER and DAVID H. BARRY as follows:

WELLS stated that he is a student at the Cedar Hill Junior High School, and that he had read in the newspapers that LEE HARVEY OSWALD might have practiced with an Italian rifle which he owned prior to the assassination of the President. WELLS stated that on November 23, 1963, he was on a boy scout trip and visited a place near Cedar Hill which is used by local people for target practice purposes. This place is well known locally as Potters Tank, and those who practice there shoot into a high cliff adjacent to a large field.

On November 23, 1963, while at this spot, he found a 7.65 shell and stated this is the type of shell that is fired in the Italian rifle described in the paper. He advised the shell had a good shine and apparently had not been fired very long ago. WELLS made available this spent 7.65 shell.

Mr. JOHN OTTS, Assistant Shop Foreman, Cullum and Borem Company Gun Shop, 1509 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas, on December 3, 1963, advised SA OLIVER that a 7.65 shell could not possibly be fired in the 6.5 rifle used in the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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