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NOTES:

FROM NBC TAPE AT LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

1:15 PM - 1:45 PM - Jean Hill interview -
(Dallas Time) She says shots came from across the street; from the hill.

Bill Ryan and local Ft. Worth Tom Whalen WBAP -
Ft. Worth announcer say a young man was arrested and
taken to sheriffs' office. Believed sheriffs also took a
30-30 rifle into custody at the same time (description
fits Larry Florer). Rifle was found near the scene. NBC
man says this was not confirmed.

McGee repeats as Robert McNeill reports by phone from
Parkland?

News of death was on at 1:35 PM CST. Death announced
as at 1:55 PM EST. White House Press Secretary Kilduff
says an assailant. McNeill says shots came from 2nd
floor of TSBD. Says shot in right temple.

1:45 PM - 2:15 PM Car-stopped in Ft. Worth says Charles Murphy WBAP -
(Dallas Time) It was wanted in connection with assassination. Police
report man in car was on the ground. Car was stopped
at an intersection. J.D. Tippitt shot by an unknown man
in a car.

NBC sound man John Hofen interviewed -
He was in CAM 1. First shot sounded like cherry bomb.
CAM 1 picked up a secret service man who had been left
behind.

Couch quoted as saying he saw a rifle sticking out of a
window from a warehouse, beyond the triple underpass.
Cancellare #2 (Newmans closeup) photo shown.
Bob Abernathy says he went to Newmans just before or
after Cancellare's photo.

Abernathy says he talked to two witnesses who saw a
man with a gun on the 2nd floor and on the 4th floor of
TSBD. Abernathy says gunman on 2nd or 4th floor could
have seen JFK over the trees.

Abernathy was in first Press Bus. He says it was 4th vehicle behind JFK. He left bus and went to the TSBD. Police chased man they thought was the assailant, through several trains in railroad yards. They didn't catch him.

Rifle carried by Lt. Day out of TSBD said by Tom Whalen WBAP to be a British 303 Model with a telescopic sight found on sixth floor near a corner window. Also three empty 303 cartridges were found near window. Gun rest near snipers nest made of papers. This was between 1:45 PM and 2:15 PM CST.

Brehm interviewed by Jimmy Darnell - Tape - Live on street.

2:15 PM - 2:45 PM
(Dallas Time)

Report of a secret service agent killed with a Dallas policeman (Tippitt). White man, black curly hair, red shirt, mid 20s arrested in Ft. Worth - Riverside section. Gun fired from 5th floor. Conflicting reports on weapons. Not British 303 but Mauser 7.65 German found - one shell in chamber, 3 shells on floor.

Bob McNeill -

Doctors in Dallas report condition. Perry says wounds in neck and head. Brain wound was in back slightly to right. Could have been two bullets, one hitting in front as he approached TSBD. Dallas police arrested a man in connection with Tippitt shooting.

Film of Trade Mart prayer - First film from Dallas.

2:45 PM - 3:15 PM
(Dallas Time)

At 3 PM Bill Ryan uses the expression "sniper or snipers". Oswald not yet identified.

WBAP shows the entire Weigman film at 3:05 PM. It looks a little clearer than my copy. Ryan says cameraman jumped out and kept camera going. He calls it a precious piece of film. Weigman's name not given.

2:15 PM - 3:45 PM
(Dallas Time)

Ryan says rifle was found on fifth floor. Says cop fired at man in theatre who fired back and cop was killed in theatre.

Brehm interviewed. Same interview but now filmed. Moorman photo shown looks a little clearer on right side. Moorman and Hill interviewed. Repeat of Weigman film. Oswald's name mentioned for the first time. Say he is suspected of shooting Tippitt. Say Oswald was by coincidence a stock clerk in the TSBD.

Secret service man not killed. Correct stories about assassin killing both secret service man and Dallas cop in fusilade of shots.

Congressman Ryan interviewed and Yarborough outside Hospital. Film outside hospital. Some clothes removed from hospital and placed in car at 3:40 PM.

3:45 PM - 4:15 PM (Dallas Time) Oswald now described as a suspect in assassination. Beers photo of TSBD and Lt. Day with rifle shown. Floor still said to be fifth floor. Rifle said to be variously 303 or Mauser. A second bullet struck in front of neck and 45° angle from side.

4:15 PM - 4:45 PM (Dallas Time) Bullet from sixth floor mentioned for the first time. Connally's doctor says only one bullet hit him in three places.

Photo of Oswald (Russia) shown. Ryan says Mauser rifle found in TSBD.

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4:45 PM - 5:15 PM (Dallas Time) Oswald and several Cubans were arrested in New Orleans.

The only way to find out is to go there and look. Ask for Dr. Kinsey

5:15 PM - 5:30 PM (Dallas Time) Nothing

5:30 PM - 7:10 PM (Dallas Time) Special Program by Huntley & Brinkley

7:10 PM - 7:40 PM (Dallas Time) Two other bullets struck Connally besides the one which hit JFK in the head. Chas Murphy WBAP. Unidentified witness was used to identify Oswald in a secret line up. Craig says he saw Oswald run from TSBD and whistle at

a man in a station wagon. Film of Oswald being taken thru police station and in corridor, then going into Fritz' office.

Rifle said to be British, German and even Japanese. Oswald said to have fired pistol at McDonald and McDonald was cut in the stomach. Ryan still saying two shots hit Connally and one hit JFK. Ryan says bullet was removed from Connally.

7:40 PM - 8:10 PM (Dallas Time) Four cops including Tippitt went into the Texas Theatre. Roberts says Oswald said to have been in 3rd row of Theatre, lights were thrown on. Cashier reported Oswald changed seats several times.

Saturday morning

7:30 AM - 8:00 AM (Dallas Time) Repeat of Weigman film and summary.

Friday night

11:35 PM - 12:05 AM (Dallas Time) Interview with Gerald Hill. Man behind looks like Oswald. Film of Oswald in jail. He can be heard saying he didn't shoot anyone.

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