

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (89-43)

FROM : SA NAT.A. PINKSTON

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF
PRESIDENT KENNEDY
AFO

DATE: 11/23/63

Scene Search

Lt. CARL DAY, Crime Section, Identification Bureau, Dallas PD, advised on 11/22/63, he had processed a rifle recovered on the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository, Elm and Houston Streets, Dallas, for fingerprints or palm prints, and had been successful in raising a partial latent print. He stated at this time, however, he had not had time to photograph or lift this print, but had left the rifle in his laboratory and intended to return immediately and endeavor to both photograph and lift this latent print.

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Detective STUDEBAKER, Crime Scene Search Section, Identification Bureau, Dallas PD, on 11/22/63, advised that he and his partner had made detailed photographs of the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building, Elm and Houston Streets, Dallas, had measured the floor, and made a drawing of it, had conducted a thorough crime scene search of the floor and had dusted everything in the area of the southwest corner of the floor in an effort to develop latent finger or palm prints. He stated that he had been successful in locating a latent print on the wrapping paper on a bundle of books or school supplies on which the assassin of President KENNEDY had apparently sat while shooting at KENNEDY. He stated that he had found what appeared to be brown wrapping paper and tape in which a rifle had been wrapped for concealment and was present when a rifle was found on the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building.

STUDEBAKER advised copies of the photographs and drawings would be made available to the FBI if desired.

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