

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (89-43)

FROM : SA VINCENT E. J. DRAIN

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY

DATE: 11/29/63

Det. R. D. LEWIS, polygraph operator, Dallas Police Dept., states that he ran a polygraph of BUREL WESLEY FRAZIER, and while he was running the polygraph, FRAZIER was shown what appeared to be a home made brown, heavy paper gun case. He stated that FRAZIER said that it was possible that this was the case, but he didn't think that it resembled it. He stated that the crinkly brown paper sack that OSWALD had when he rode to work with him that morning was about two feet long. (LEWIS refers to the brown, heavy paper gun case. LEWIS refers to the paper in this manner because of the fact that the Dallas Police Department is of the opinion the brown, heavy paper was used by OSWALD to carry the rifle into the building where he was working. The paper referred to by LEWIS is not a gun case at all.)

Det. LEWIS states that if this was not identical with the sack that was turned over to the Bureau, it is possible that OSWALD may have thrown it away. The Police have turned over everything that they have in the Crime Laboratory to me. This has been stated by Capt. GEORGE DOUGHTY, Head of the Crime Laboratory, Lt. CARL DAY of the Crime Laboratory, and R. D. LEWIS, polygraph operator in the Crime Laboratory. These individuals state that as far as they know, the paper sack of the type described by FRAZIER was not recovered by the Police Department. It is possible, but improbable, that it was recovered by the Homicide Bureau. If so, they do not know anything about it in the Crime Laboratory of the Dallas Police Dept.

Captain WILL FRITZ of the Dallas Police Department said he talked with FRAZIER, and FRAZIER described the sack as about two feet in length, and of brown paper. He advised that FRAZIER stated it was long enough to have contained curtain rods. FRITZ asked FRAZIER if the curtain rods could have been heavy enough to have the same weight as the rifle. FRAZIER stated the sack was large enough that it could have contained enough curtain rods to weigh the same as a rifle.

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