

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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WILLIAM ALLEN HARPER, a student at Texas Christian University, Ft. Worth, Texas, but who lives in Dallas, at 2378 E. Ledbetter Street, was taking photographs during the afternoon of November 23, 1963, approximately 5:30 PM in the area just south of the spot where President KENNEDY was assassinated and had found a piece of bone. The bone was located approximately 25 feet south of the spot where President KENNEDY was shot. Dr. HARPER stated that his nephew immediately brought the bone to him and he and the Chief Pathologist at Methodist Hospital, Dr. C. E. KERNS, had examined the piece of bone and both definitely felt that it is a piece of human skull.

Dr. HARPER felt that in view of the proximity of the place where the piece of bone was located it might possibly be part of President KENNEDY's skull.

WILLIAM ALLEN HARPER made this piece of bone available to SA JAMES W. ANDERTON of the Dallas FBI Office for what ever disposition the FBI desired.

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on 11/26/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 89-43
by Special Agent JAMES W. ANDERTON/atd Date dictated 11/26/63

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On November 27, 1963, the FBI Laboratory advised that a piece of bone reportedly located near where President KENNEDY was shot had been x-rayed and examined microscopically for bullet metals but none were found.

A small amount of blood appearing on the surface of the bone was determined to be of human origin but was too limited in amount for grouping purposes. This bone fragment was delivered to Admiral GEORGE BURKLEY, Physician to the President at the White House, according to the FBI Laboratory letter.

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