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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Sergeant PATRICK T. DEAN, Patrol Division, Dallas Police Department, advised that on March 24, 1964, at about 4:45 AM, PATSY PAIN, City Hall Night Telephone Operator, called him at his office saying she had a collect call from a RALPH SIMPSON, Victoria, Canada, and that SIMPSON wanted to talk to someone about the assassination of President KENNEDY. Sergeant DEAN stated there was a discussion as to whether they should accept the call and PATSY said to talking with SIMPSON and the Victoria, Canada, operator, she felt that SIMPSON had some information and that it would be worthwhile to accept the collect call.

Sergeant DEAN stated he authorized the operator to accept the collect call and SIMPSON said he was in Dallas on November 22, 1963, and took some pictures of the President's car at the time he was shot and that he believed he got the Texas School Book Depository Building in the background. According to Sergeant DEAN, SIMPSON described his camera as an expensive camera with "wide-angle, scope lens."

SIMPSON stated he had been talking to his attorney, BATTER, (phonetic) and that BATTER had instructed him to contact the Dallas Police Department. Sergeant DEAN stated that SIMPSON claimed he had not had the film developed and did not know exactly what was in the photographs.

Sergeant DEAN stated he told SIMPSON that he should contact the President's Commission in Washington, D. C., and send the pictures to them, but that SIMPSON claimed he did not want to contact the President's Commission, and stated he would mail the film to him (Sergeant DEAN) airmail on March 25, 1964.

Sergeant DEAN advised that PATSY PAIN, the switchboard operator, contacted BERNICE WILLIAMS, of the Victoria, British Columbia, Telephone Company, to trace this call and, through this person, it was ascertained the call had been placed from telephone number 384-3790. He stated this phone number was reportedly registered to R. E. V. SMELL, 1141 Caledonia, Victoria, British Columbia.

Sergeant DEAN stated he would immediately contact the Dallas FBI Office on receipt of this film.

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by Special Agent ALFRED B. WORLEY/mah Date dictated 3/23/64

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worked with the Sheriff's Deputies at the rear of the Texas School Book Depository for about six or eight minutes. He then entered the front door of the Depository, in search of a phone from which to call his office. Mr. Powell, upon entering the Texas School Book Depository, encountered Mr. Pierre Allman using a phone in the lobby of the building. Mr. Powell stated that he did not meet anyone upon entering the building nor was he called upon to identify himself to anyone. Mr. Powell stated that the only persons present on the first floor of the building at the time of his entry were Mr. Allman and an unidentified white male described as being tall and about 30 years of age; both of these men were near a desk in the lobby and Mr. Allman was using a telephone.

Mr. Powell has submitted a report of his activities immediately subsequent to the assassination of the President and states that his report will be available to this office upon request.

On 1-29-64 Mr. Pierre Allman was interviewed at his office in the WFAA T-V building where he is employed as Program Director. Mr. Allman is described as a white male, 5'8", 140, brown hair, grey eyes, about 35. Mr. Allman was interviewed relative to activities immediately subsequent to the assassination. Mr. Allman stated that he was watching the parade from a position near the corner of Elm and Houston. Upon hearing the shots he ran across Elm Street to a people who had fallen to the ground. He noted the man if he was all right; the man stated that he was. Allman then ran up an incline toward Houston Street. Upon reaching the top of the incline, he turned and ran down. He stated that he is at a loss to explain this action other than he was extremely excited and upset by the assassination.

Mr. Allman then stated that he ran full speed into the Texas School Book Depository Building with intention of locating a phone and calling his television station WFAA. Mr. Allman stated that after he had entered the front door of the building, he had emerged into a hallway and there he met a white male whom he could not further identify. He noted this white male for the location of a telephone. Mr. Allman stated that he did not identify himself to this person; stated further that he was extremely excited at the time and that he could not remember anything about the person except for the fact that he was a white male. Mr. Allman has seen pictures of Lee Harvey Oswald and could not positively state whether or not he is the one of whom he inquired. Mr. Allman stated that the person pointed out a phone to him which was located in an open area on the first floor of the Texas School Book Depository; that he immediately went to the telephone and stayed at this position for approximately 25 minutes talking to his office. Mr. Allman stated that he was accompanied by a fellow worker, Harry Ford.

During the above interview it was noted that Mr. Allman carries his person gun in a leather case similar to those carried by Federal agents and police officers.

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On January 31, 1963, Mr. Terrence Ford, Radio Promotion Director, WFAA, was interviewed relative to his actions subsequent to the assassination.

Mr. Ford stated that he had accompanied Mr. Allman to the corner of Houston and Elm Streets to watch the procession; that upon hearing shots, he returned to a concrete building near the side of the small park bordering Elm Street, then running back toward the Texas School Book Depository. He followed Allman into the building, walking on his right side. He remembers Allman turning to his left to see a white male the location of a telephone. Ford stated the white male, whom he was neither identify nor describe, indicated in some manner that a telephone was inside a room directly ahead. Ford does not remember Allman identifying himself at this time. Ford stated that he did not have a press card at this time and did not identify himself to anyone until he left the building about one hour later.

Ford has seen pictures of Lee Harvey Oswald and states he cannot remember if Oswald was the man he and Allman met at the front door of the Texas School Book Depository.

RECOMMENDATION

The facts surrounding the entrance of Allman and Ford into the Texas School Book Depository indicate that they are the men referred to by Oswald in his interview with Captain Fritz. In view of this and of the fact that there is no indication that they identified themselves as Secret Service Agents, this person of the investigation is closed.

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Under date of March 26, 1964, the Seattle Office advised ...ief Corporal R. E. G. BLACKMORE, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Victoria, British Columbia, had on that date interviewed RALPH ...NEY WILLIAM SMELL, 1141 Caledonia Street, Victoria, British ...olumbia, who admitted making the telephone call to the Dallas ...olice Department on March 24, 1964. He also admitted using a ...ictitious name, claimed he had never been to Dallas, Texas; and, ...ad no file of the assassination of President KENNEDY. The Seattle ...ffice advised that the only reason SMELL could give for making the ...elephone call was that he had been watching a television program ...nd had been drinking and decided to make the call. According to ...orporal BLACKMORE, SMELL is "given to dreams". SMELL's last em...loyment was in connection with the demolition of buildings.

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Field	Dallas, Texas	CO-2-34,030
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INVESTIGATION MADE BY: SA Roger C. Warner		

DETAILS

SYNOPSIS

Pierre Allman (person believed to be one mentioned by Lee Harvey Oswald as identifying himself as Secret Service Agent at Texas School Book Depository immediately following assassination) interviewed 1-29-64.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

References is made to previous reports relative to Lee Harvey Oswald.

Other Investigations

On 11-22-63 the Shooting was reported to SAIC Forest V. Sorrels, by Captain Will Fritz, Dallas Police Department.

Lee Harvey Oswald in the First interview subsequent to his arrest, stated that on the leaving the Texas School Book Depository Building, two men (one with a cover and) had intercepted him at the front door; identified themselves as Secret Service Agents and asked for the location of a telephone.

On 1-2-64 Dr. Jack Brian, Detective, Dallas Police Department, stated that he had interrogated Mr. James Powell, Army Intelligence, who was trapped inside the Texas School Book Depository after the Depository doors had been sealed.

On 1-28-64 Mr. Powell was interviewed relative to his location at the time of the assassination and his actions subsequent to the assassination. Mr. Powell stated that he had been watching the parade from a position near the corner of Houston and Elm Streets, the site of the assassination. Mr. Powell stated further that he heard the shots and he then joined a group of Sheriff's Deputies, who were heading toward the rear of the Texas School Book Depository on the basis of information that the assassin had shot from the railroad yards. Mr. Powell

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Field	Dallas, Texas	CO-2-34,030
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INVESTIGATION MADE AT: Dallas, Texas	PERIOD COVERED: 2-11-64	
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DETAILS

SYNOPSIS

Diagram of wounds suffered by Governor Connally at time of assassination of President Kennedy forwarded herewith.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

On 1-27-64 Inspector T. J. Kelley requested a diagram relative to the entrance and exit wounds suffered by Gov. Connally after being shot by Lee Harvey Oswald on 11-22-63.

On 1-28-64 this information was transmitted to Inspector Kelley with five diagrams attached. Reference is further made to a memorandum to Inspector Thomas J. Kelley from David V. Belin, dated Feb. 12, 1964, relative to the wounds suffered by Gov. Connally. This memorandum points out a conflict in the wounds as shown on diagram #5 with the description of the wound according to a typewritten report of Dr. Charles Gregory dated Nov. 22, 1963, and requesting a review be made of this matter and a subsequent report submitted.

Other Investigations

Review of this matter with Dr. Charles Gregory indicates that body diagram #1 and diagram #5 are in error. Diagram #3 is correct, all in respect to the position of the wounds in the wrist of Gov. Connally.

Attached hereunto is amended body diagram #1, which indicates the correct position of the wounds suffered by Gov. Connally to his right wrist. Also attached is amended diagram #3, showing the approximate position of Gov. Connally at the time he was wounded.

Also in error, and amended in this report, is the description of the

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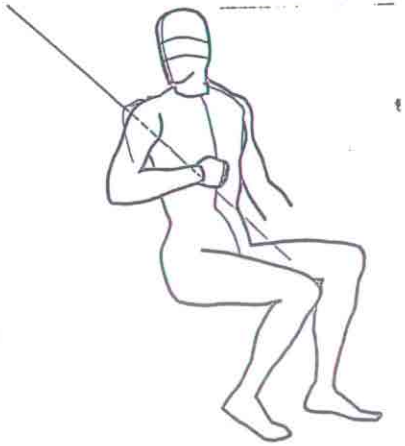

DIAGRAM #5

Rough sketch of approximate position of Gov. Connally when wounded on 11-22-63. Blue line indicates path of projectile through the body as indicated by examination of wounds. This is an off-hand sketch and not intended to be used as final authority on the specific position of the body when wounded.

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