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TYPE OF CASE Protective Research	STATUS Closed	TITLE OR CAPTION Assassination of President Kennedy
INVESTIGATION MADE AT Dallas, Texas	PERIOD COVERED April 16, 1964	American Book Company Dallas, Texas
INVESTIGATION MADE BY SA Roger C. Warner & SA Gene F. Wofford		

DETAILS

SYNOPSIS

Investigation of status of American Book Co.  
School Book Depository, Room 303, Dallas, Texas.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

Reference is made to a PRS referral memorandum dated 3-4-64, subject: American Book Company. Further reference is made to M/R dated 2-26-64, by SA Roger C. Warner concerning activities at the School Book Depository after the assassination. Specific reference is made to report on Miss Joyce M. Stansbury, ex-employee of the American Book Co.

Other Investigation

On April 16, 1964, Mr. Joseph Frazier, Regional Manager, American Book Co., was contacted and supplied information as follows:

The American Book Company is a nation wide concern and incorporates 16 regions in the United States of America. The Dallas Office at the Texas School Book Depository Building, Room 303 is the Regional Office for the Southwestern Region of the American Book Company. This office was under the direct control of Mr. Joseph Frazier, Regional Manager, who lived at San Antonio, Texas, until April 15, 1964. The American Book Company Office at the Texas School Book Depository handled all correspondence with the parent American Book Company for the Southwestern Region. The American Book Company has 10 persons now working in the Southwestern Division; this would include book salesmen, consultants and clerical help. Mr. Frazier stated that the only office of the American Book Co. Southwestern Region is the office in Dallas, Texas. Mr. Frazier stated that his employee, Miss Joyce M. Stansburg, had not been doing well at her work and that he was quite dissatisfied with the operation at the American Book Co. office in the Texas School Book Depository Building.

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Mr. Frazier stated that since January and February of each year are months in which little or no work is passed through the Regional Office, he decided to close the office down and seized upon the opportunity to fire Miss Stansbury. Miss Stansbury had been working for the American Book Company for a period of approximately 16 years. The American Book Company still controlled their office at the Texas School Book Depository Building, although the office was unmanned from January 20, 1961 until the present date. Mr. Frazier advised he is presently interviewing secretaries to re-open this office. He stated further that he has moved to Dallas, Texas, in order to be near the Regional Office.

DISPOSITION

This phase of the investigation is closed.

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