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OSWALD RIFLE (27)0)

DALLAS, TEX.FEB. 18 (AP) THE MAIL-ORDER RIFLE WHICH WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE KILLED PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS THE SAME USED IN THE SHOOT-TO-KILL ATTACK ON FORMER GEN. EDWIN WALKER, A DALLAS POLICE BALLISTICS TEST REPORT INDICATED TODAY.

THE REPORT WAS MADE PUBLIC BY CHIEF JESSE CURRY AND CHIEF OF DETECTIVES M.W. STEVENSON.

CHIEF STEVENSON SAID POINTS OF COMPARISON OF THE SLUG WHICH MISSED GEN. WALKER MATCH FRAGMENTATIONS OF THE BULLETS WHICH TOOK THE PRESIDENT'S LIFE.

MTHE BALLISTICS REPORT CANNOT BE FINAL OR CONCLUSIVE," CHIEF STEVENSON SAID, "BUT GENERALLY THE COMPARISON POINTS OF THE SLUGS WERE GOOD."

THE BALLISTICS REPORT COUPLED WITH MARINA OSWALD'S STATEMENTS TO THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND LATER TO THE WARREN COMMISSION POINT TO HER LATE HUSBAND--LEE HARVEY OSWALD--AS NOT ONLY THE SLAYER OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY BUT ALSO AS THE SNIPER WHO TRIED TO GUN DOWN WALKER.

WALKER, A FORMER ARMY COMMANDER, WAS WORKING ALONE ON HIS INCOME TAX REPORT LAST APRIL AT HIS TURTLE CREEK HOME WHEN A SNIPER FIRED A RIFLE BLAST INTO HIS RESIDENCE.

THE SLUG TORE THROUGH A WINDOW CASING, SKIMMED WALKER'S HEAD AND THEN PLOWED THROUGH A WALL, TEARING OUT A GOLF-BALL SIZED HOLE.

THE SPLATTERED SLUG BORED THROUGH A 9-INCH WALL BEFORE FALLING ON A STACK OF PACKAGED PAMPHLETS IN AN ADJOINING ROOM.

OSWALD'S WIFE TOLD FBI AGENTS THAT HER HUSBAND CAME HOME THAT NIGHT AND BLURTED TO HER THAT HE HAD KILLED THE CONTROVERSIAL FORMER ARMY LEADER.

MRS. OSWALD SAID HER HUSBAND HAD WRITTEN HER A LETTER BEFORE LEAVING HOME THAT NIGHT INSTRUCTING HER OF THE LOCATION OF THE CITY JAIL IF SOMETHING SHOULD HAPPEN TO HIM. HE ALSO LEFT INSTRUCTIONS FOR HER TO CONTACT THE RUSSIAN EMBASSY IF HE SHOULD FALL INTO THE HANDS OF POLICE.

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