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OSWALD CALLED DUPE IN A PLOT ON KENNEDY

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LONDON, May 7—Thomas G. Buchanan was given wide-spread credit in newspaper reviews here today for having raised serious and unanswered questions about the assassination of President Kennedy.

But this ex-patriot American political writer was just as widely accused of having allowed his thesis to dissolve into allegations of an outlandish plot, allegedly headed by an unidentified Texas oil man Mr. Buchanan calls names as Mr. X. "Who killed Kennedy?" Mr. Buchanan's book, will be published here tomorrow by Secker and Warburg.

In it he proposes that Lee H. Oswald, the man so far assumed to have killed the President, was but a minor accomplice, a double agent, a creature of both the Federal Bureau of Investigations and the John Birch Society.

Oswald smuggled a rifle into the Book Depository in Dallas on Nov. 22 only to be used as a supplementary weapon, the author says, while the real killer fired from the unguarded railway bridge in front of the Presidential motorcade.

LONDON, May 7 (Reuters)—Thomas Buchanan, an admitted former Communist who

now lives in Paris, told about his book at a news conference here today.

Mr. Buchanan, a native of Baltimore, was a captain in the United States Army during World War II. After the war he became a political reporter for Asian publications in the United States.