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3 Shots by Fatal Rifle--- 3 1/2 Seconds

Los Angeles

Lee Harvey Oswald would have required no more than 3 1/2 seconds to murder President John F. Kennedy and wound Texas Governor John Connally, Police Chief William H. Parker said yesterday.

He based his estimate on tests conducted by Los Angeles police firearms experts with the same kind of cheap Italian-made rifle used in the presidential assassination.

The experts simulated what happened in Dallas last Friday, said Parker, by aiming the weapon from an upper story window into a courtyard at police headquarters.

An officer found, said the chief, that he could aim the Carcano 6.5 mm. rifle accurately, pull the trigger three times and slam the bolt into place twice within the space of 3 1/2 seconds.

Three shots reportedly were fired by the President's slayer, two at the Chief Executive and one at the Texas Governor.

Many hunters and gun fanciers have questioned whether an assassin could have fired three shots as rapidly—and as accurately—as the President's killer did.

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