

Oswald Case Check

Washington

Outside technical experts are being called in to double check FBI findings in the investigation of President Kennedy's slaying.

The special presidential commission investigating the assassination decided on the move to avoid possible future claims that FBI findings might have been rigged or colored by self-interest, it was learned.

The experts are making independent evaluations of such bits of evidence as the bullets, shells and guns allegedly used in the slayings of Mr. Kennedy and Dallas Policeman J. D. Tippit last November 22.

One expert, Joseph Nicol, superintendent of the Illinois Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation, traveled to Philadelphia to use new police laboratory facilities there to make ballistics tests of bullet fragments and casings gathered at the scenes of the murders.

He said the well-equipped FBI facilities here could have been used but the commission wanted to avoid any suggestion that the FBI played a role in his independent evaluation.

Nicol has declined to detail his findings other than to say that they did not change the picture as it is now known.

Unofficial reports of FBI

findings indicate that bullet fragments found at the scene of the slaying of the President show they came from the Italian-made rifle alleged to have been purchased by mail order from a Chicago sporting goods company by Lee Harve yOswald.

The unofficial reports also indicate Tippit was killed by bullets fired from a revolver Oswald had owned.

The commission, headed by

Chief Justice Earl Warren, has declined to give any details until it is ready to release the complete report of its investigation.

Speculation, primarily in foreign publications, that Oswald did not kill the President or that he was one of a conspiracy, has prompted the Warren Commission to painstaking documentation of the available facts and evidence.

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