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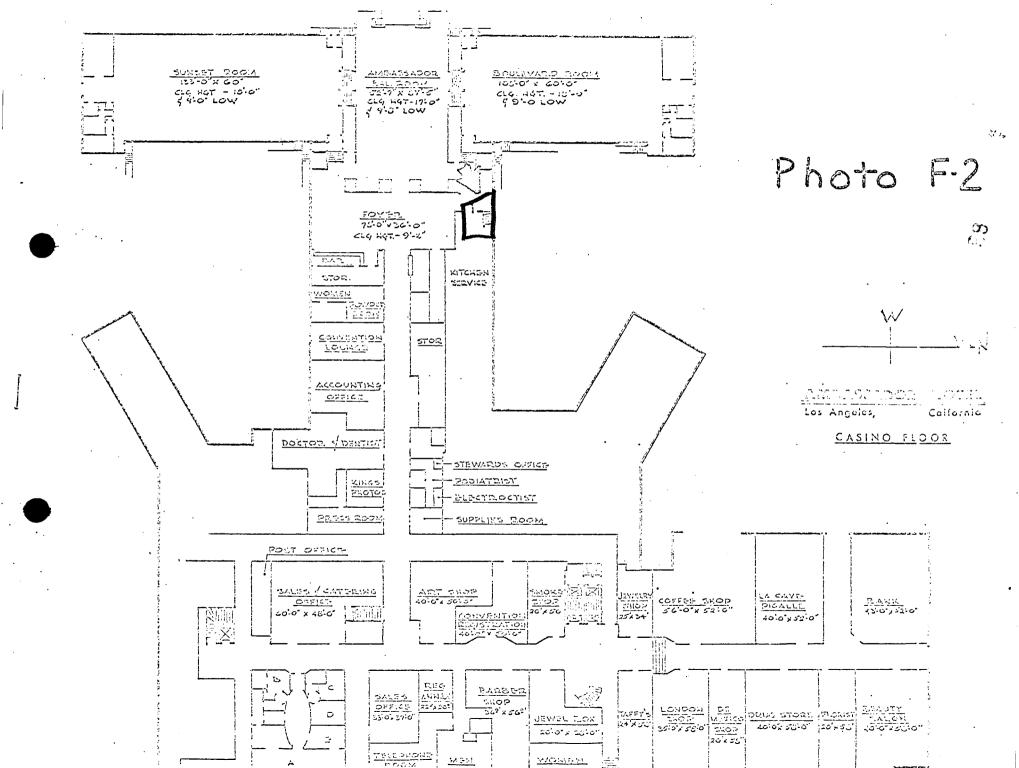
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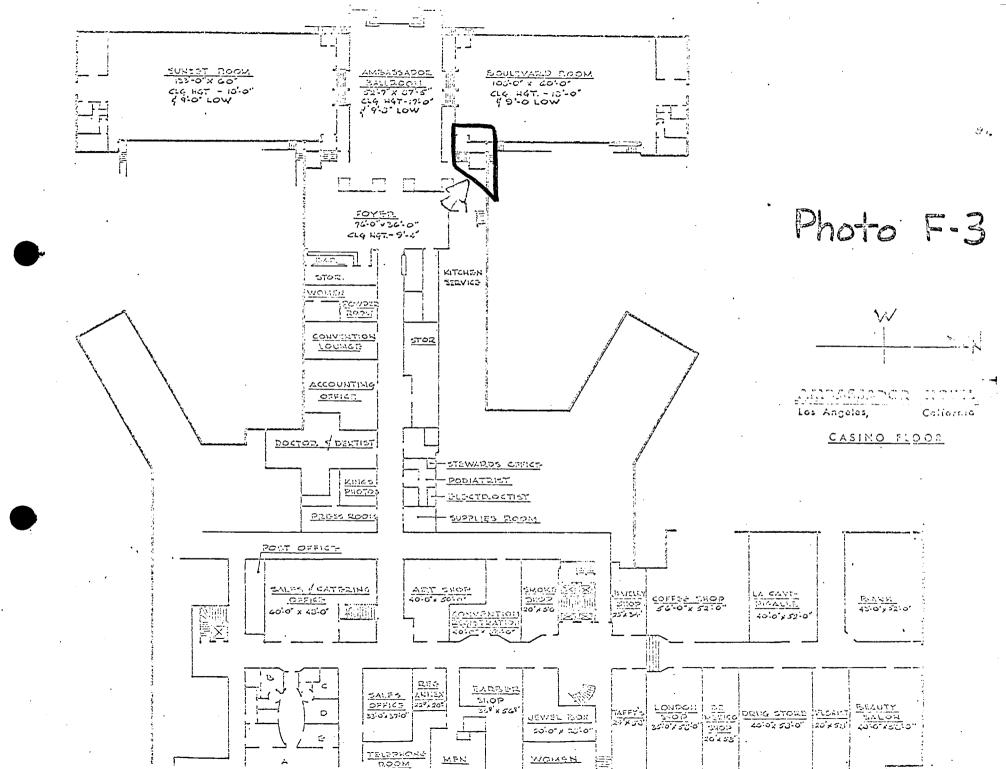
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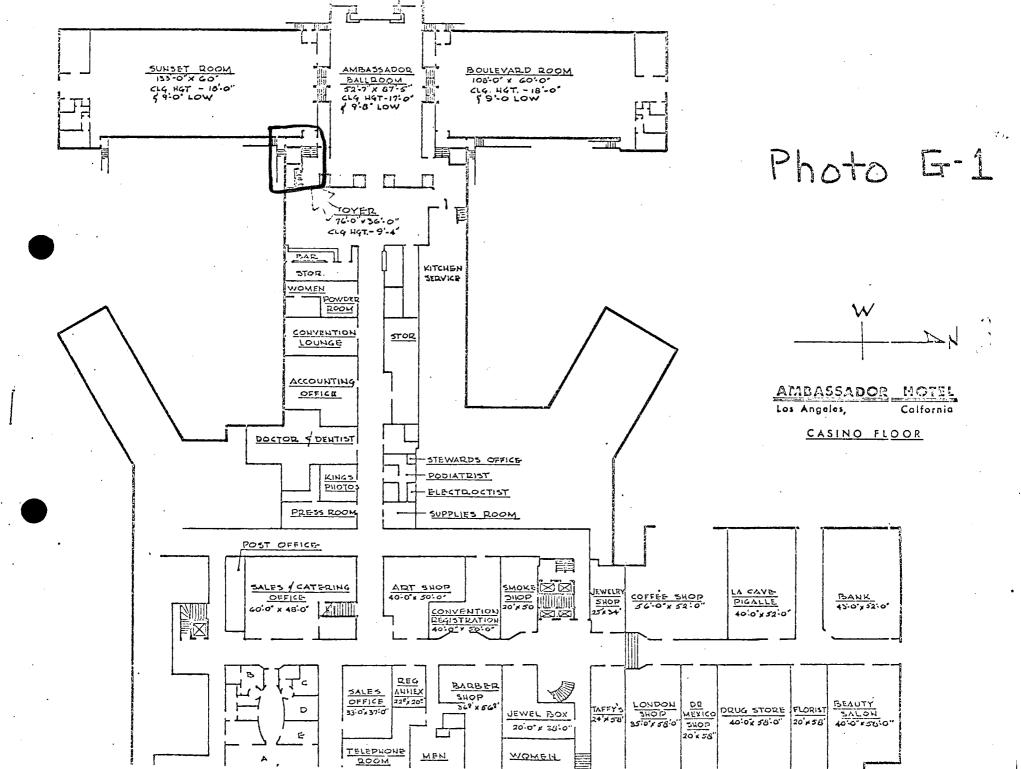


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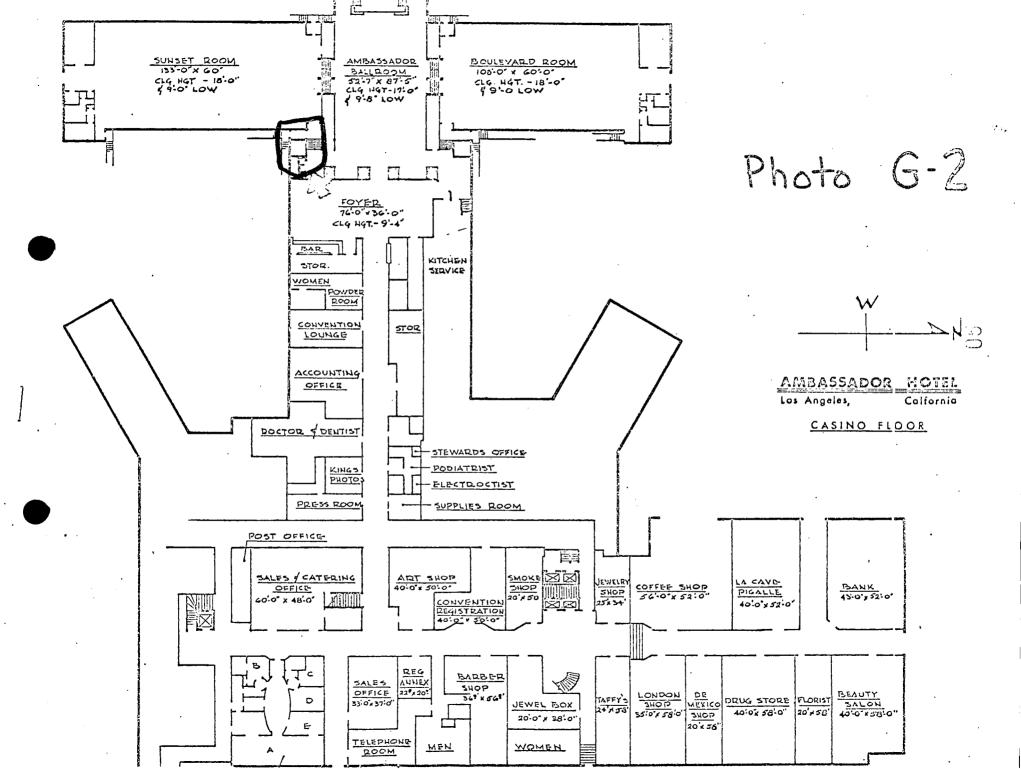




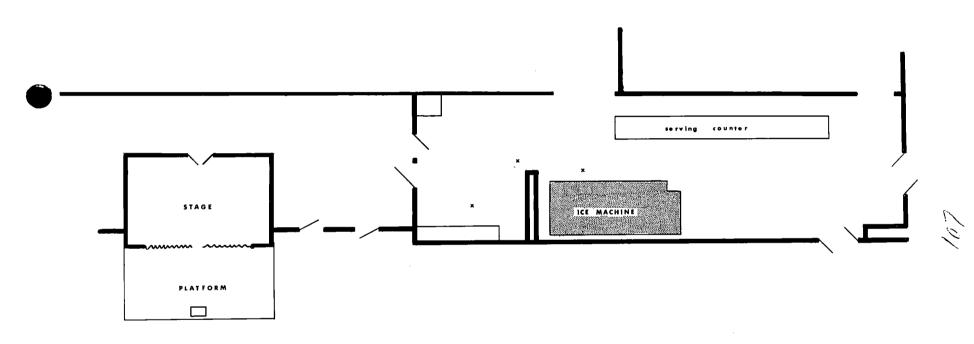
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DIAGRAM OF SHOOTING SCENE

On the following page will be found a reproduction of a diagram of the shooting scene which was published in the Los Angeles Times, I-2, June 6, 1968.

Indicated on this diagram among other things are the locations of Senator KENNEDY when he was shot, the gunman, and each of the five other victims; as well as the location of the TV cameras.

Los Angeles Times I-2, June 6, 1968

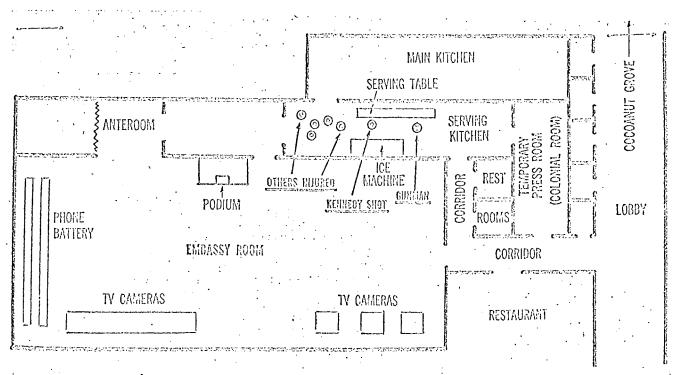


DIAGRAM OF SHOOTING SCENE—Sketch shows the doors leading from behind podium at Embassy

Room and the serving kitchen through which Sen, Kennedy was leaving when he and others were shot, Times drawing by Oliver French LA 56-156 JOS/rah

OTHER VICTIMS OF SHOOTING



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ELIZABETH EVANS, 16032 Placerita Road, Saugus, California, (telephone EM 5-3159 and 295-6644), was interviewed at the Huntington Memorial Hospital, 100 Congress Street, Pasadena, and furnished the following information:

She and her husband, ARTHUR W. EVANS, arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, at approximately 11:30 p.m. on June 4, 1968 (after previously attending a victory celebration for EVELLE YOUNGER at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles) to renew acquaintance with PIERRE SALINGER, a long-time friend. As ROBERT KENNEDY was delivering his victory speech at the Ambassador Hotel, EVANS proceeded around the speaker's rostrum at the location to the "ante-room" behind the rostrum hoping to contact SALINGER as the KENNEDY party departed. EVANS stood near the door leading from the ante-room to the adjacent kitchen. KENNEDY, closely surrounded by people, proceeded past EVANS and into the kitchen area followed by ETHEL KENNEDY who at this point was two or three steps behind ROBERT KENNEDY. As ETHEL KENNEDY proceeded through this doorway, EVANS heard noises which sounded like a string of firecrackers exploding. At the same time, EVANS lost one of her shoes, and, as she bent over to retrieve same, heard someone exclaim that a woman had been shot. Not realizing that she herself had been shot, EVANS continued to search for her shoe. When EVANS straightened up, blood flowed down her face, and she then realized that she had been shot in the forehead. EVANS did not see anyone else shot, nor did she observe anyone holding any kind of a weapon. bystanders immediately removed EVANS to a table near the speaker's rostrum, where she remained until the ambulance arrived and transported her to Central Receiving Hospital. EVANS, who has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN, advised that she could not recall seeing anyone resembling this individual in the hotel at any time.

EVANS advised that the bullet was removed from her forehead in surgery on June 5, 1968, at the Huntington

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Memorial Hospital. EVANS described her condition as good, and indicated that she would probably be released from the hospital by June 9, 1968.

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ARTHUR W. EVANS, 16032 Placerita Road, Saugus, California, was interviewed at the Huntington Memorial Hospital, Pasadena, California, where he was visiting his wife, ELIZABETH EVANS, who was shot early (approximately 12:15 a.m.) on the morning of June 5, 1968 at the Ambassador Hotel while witnessing a victory celebration for ROBERT F. KENNEDY. EVANS described his wife's condition as good and indicated that she would probably be released from the hospital on June 9, 1968. His wife's physician is Dr. JOHN T. GARNER, 744 Fairmount, Pasadena, California (793-2119). EVANS continued that he and his wife attended a victory celebration for EVELLE YOUNGER at the Biltmore Hotel, Los Angeles, on the evening of June 4, 1968. At approximately 11:30 p.m., June 4, 1968, they arrived at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. A victory celebration was being held for ROBERT F. KENNEDY, and they desired to visit with PIERRE SALINGER, who was an old friend of theirs. Between 11:30 p.m. and 12 midnight he and his wife went to the Press Room temporarily set up at the hotel. His wife, using an old press card which she had when she formerly worked for a newspaper, was admitted to the Press Room, but he remained in the lobby. EVANS milled around the lobby until KENNEDY finished his victory speech, at which time he (EVANS) started looking for his wife. A short while later he heard that KENNEDY had been shot, and still later he discovered that his wife had also been shot. EVANS pointed out that he was not in the vicinity of the actual shooting and did not hear any shots fired.

EVANS further advised that he has seen newspaper photographs of SIRHAN, and that he has never seen this individual before either at the Ambassador Hotel on June 4,5, 1968 or anywhere else.

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On June 6, 1968, IRA GOLDSTEIN, 4077 Havenhurst Drive, Encino, California, telephone ST 9-8045, related the following information concerning the shooting incident at the Ambassador Hotel in the early morning hours of June 5, 1968:

GOLDSTEIN is employed by Continental News Service, 15300 Ventura Boulevard, Sherman Oaks, California. He arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 7:15 p.m., on June 4, 1968. GOLDSTEIN, after obtaining an Embassy Room Press Pass, went about gathering information concerning the election relating to his job with Continental News Service.

GOLDSTEIN advised when Senator KENNEDY began his victory speech in the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, he stationed himself near a television monitor located near the entrance of the hotel kitchen. During KENNEDY's speech, GOLDSTEIN left the television monitor and entered the kitchen area. GOLDSTEIN estimated the number of people in the kitchen area as between ten and fifteen, including hotel guests as well as employees.

GOLDSTEIN advised as he was leaving the kitchen area accompanied by ROBIN CASDEN, 17012 Mooncrest, Encino, California, they were met by Senator KENNEDY and members of his staff. KENNEDY shook hands with CASDEN and continued walking. Seconds later GOLDSTEIN heard six or seven shots or explosions and felt a sharp pain in his hip and immediately fell against the wall.

At this point, GOLDSTEIN advised mass confusion broke out with people running, screaming and shouting. At no time did GOLDSTEIN observe Senator KENNEDY being shot nor at anytime did GOLDSTEIN observe the suspected assassin, SIRHAN SIRHAN.

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GOLDSTEIN advised he was released **from** Encino General Hospital on the morning of June 6, 1968, and will appear before the Los Angeles County Grand Jury on June 7, 1968.

GOLDSTEIN advised the bullet struck him in the left buttocks and tunneled six inches down the left thigh. Surgeon MAX FINKEL extracted the bullet intact and awarded custody to Los Angeles Police Department.





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IRENE FETHERSTON, Secretary, Hospital Administration Office, Kaiser Foundation Hospital, 4867 Sunset Boulevard, advised that her records indicated PAUL HERMAN SCHRADE is 43 years of age and has indicated he resides at the address of 4150 Hillcrest Drive, Los Angeles, California. WILLIAM S. WEISEL, also a patient admitted on June 5, 1968, is 30 years of age and indicates his address is 2700 Upton Street, Washington, D.C. She said that WEISEL was brought to the Kaiser Foundation from the Central Receiving Hospital at Los Angeles, California, by Goodhew Ambulance and Mr. SCHRADE was brought to the hospital from Central Receiving by Schaeffer Ambulance.

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Miss DEYCE PINE, Assistant Director of Nursing, Office of the Administrator, Kaiser Foundation Hospital, 4867 Sunset Boulevard, advised PAUL SCHRADE and WILLIAM WEISEL were both patients at the Kaiser Foundation Hospital. She stated that WEISEL was officially admitted as a patient at 3:00 a.m. on June 5, 1968. He arrived at the hospital shortly before 3:00 a.m., being first treated in the Emergency Room.

Miss PINE stated PAUL SCHRADE officially was admitted to the hospital at 3:30 a.m. on June 5, 1968, having received treatment in the Emergency Room prior to his official admission. Mr. SCHRADE received treatment for gunshot wound in the head, and Mr. WEISEL sustained a gunshot wound in the abdomen. Both patients are currently listed in satisfactory condition.

WILLIAM WEISEL, upon his admittance to the hospital, was taken to the Intensive Care Unit, but is now in Room 339 in the General Care Section of the hospital. She stated that Mr. WEISEL is currently under sedation and uncomfortable. She felt that it would be best not to disturb him at this time for an interview. PAUL SCHRADE is presently in the Intensive Care Unit and prior to his being interviewed it would be necessary to obtain permission from his Physician of Record, Dr. KASPER FUCHS. Dr. FUCHS is a Staff Neurosurgeon of the Kaiser Foundation. Mr. WEISEL is under the care of Dr. WILLIAM NEAL.

Miss PINE stated that she was not certain what time both patients actually arrived at the hospital. She believed both were transported to the hospital by Schaeffer Ambulance from the Central Receiving Hospital at Los Angeles.

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PAUL HERMAN SCHRADE, male Caucasian, born
, Saratoga Springs, New York, was interviewed at the Kaiser Foundation Hospital, 4867 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. SCHRADE advised he is currently the Director of Western Region No. 6, United Auto Workers, Los Angeles, and resides at 4150 South Hillcrest Drive, Los Angeles, California.

Mr. SCHRADE advised he has taken an active part in the ROBERT F. KENNEDY campaign and is himself on the "Democratic Slate" in California. He stated it was in this capacity that he was present at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on the evening of June 4, 1968. He was one of the individuals present on the platform in the Embassy Room with Senator KENNEDY and was in the group who walked off the platform past the kitchen area toward the space which had been set up as a "press room". He said that while walking in this crowded area, he heard what first appeared to him as being an electrical circuit break-down, which he described as a "crackling noise". He said that almost immediately, he realized he had been struck in the head and he fell to the floor. Mr. SCHRADE said he must have been in the state of shock since his recollection then is that he noticed considerable blood on himself in the area of the head and chest and thought he had been struck by some object in the chest, although he later learned that he had been struck in the head by a bullet.

Mr. SCHRADE said he, at the time of the incident, was walking approximately six to eight feet behind Senator KENNEDY. He said he did not see Senator KENNEDY shot and did not see the assailant. He said the incident came as a complete surprise to him and he had no warning whatsoever. He neither saw nor heard anyone which he could connect with the assailant. He said he had never heard of SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN.

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SCHRADE recalls that he had arrived at the Ambassador Hotel at approximately 8:00 PM on June 4, 1968, and he recalls it was shortly after midnight, June 5, 1968, when the group was in the process of departing, that this incident occurred.

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1 WILLIAM SWEET WEISEL, Kaiser Foundation Hospital, 4867 Sunset Boulevard, advised that he was born on at Altoona, Pennsylvania, and presently resides at 2700 Upton Street, Washington, D.C. Mr. WEISEL stated that he is currently employed as an Assistant Director of Television by the American Broadcasting Company and was assigned to cover the six primary campaigns with Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY and Senator EUGENE MC CARTHY alternating between the two.

Mr. WEISEL stated that early in the evening of the 4th of June 1968, he was on the fifth floor of the Ambassador Hotel with a walkie talkie. He stated that later in the stated that that evening and during KENNEDY's victory speech, he and DAVID JAYNE, his producer, were in the anteroom preparing to cover KENNEDY's departure. He stated that as KENNEDY's speech ended, and he came through the swinging doors from the ballroom and across to the kitchen door, he and JAYNE started downstairs. Mr. WEISEL stated he was fighting through the crowd and came through the kitchen door sideways facing back toward the ball room when he heard numerous "cracks." stated that at the time, he thought there was a demonstration in the kitchen but when he looked up he saw one person on the floor and another falling to the floor.

He advised that he then felt three thumps in his side but no pain. He stated he then turned to JAYNE, who was behind him and stated, "DAVE, I think I've been hit." Several persons then pushed him to the floor and that is where he stayed until assisted to the hospital. Mr. WEISEL stated that although ROBERT KENNEDY was only about six feet in front of him when he (WEISEL) was passing through the kitchen door, he never saw him at all. He also stated that several officers of the Los Angeles Police Department had exhibited a photograph of the suspected assassin to him but he had been unable to identify it at all. He further stated that he could remember no girl in a white or polka dot dress.

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Mr. WEISEL stated that should he remember any further information in regards to the events that transpired on that night and morning in question, he would immediately advise the FBI.

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JERROLD BRYON HEMINGWAY, Ambulance Driver, Goodhew Ambulance Service, 1826 South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that his home address is 715 South St. Andrews Place, Apartment 302, Los Angeles, California

On June 5, 1968 at approximately 12:20 A.M., HEMINGWAY stated that the ambulance dispatcher informed him that he had just heard over the radio that ROBERT F. KENNEDY had been shot at. At 12:29 A.M., a call was received from a Dr. DAVIS informing the ambulance service that they were to proceed to the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, to pick up Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY. HEMINGWAY and RICHARD BLAIRE WALKER proceeded to the hotel but, upon arriving, found that Senator KENNEDY had already been taken to Central Receiving Hospital, Los Angeles, HEMINGWAY and WALKER found that WILLIAM WEISEL California. who was suffering from gunshot wounds had been moved to the lot of the Ambassador Hotel and was lying there on a table. HEMINGWAY and WALKER placed WEISEL into the ambulance and took him to the Central Receiving Hospital. WEISEL remained conscious throughout the whole period and complained that he thought he had been shot three times. Upon arriving at the Central Receiving Hospital, the doctors were unable to immediately attend to WEISEL as they were in the process of taking care of Senator KENNEDY. HEMINGWAY and WALKER stripped WEISEL and found a bullet wound in the left side of his abdomen. HEMINGWAY and WALKER later transferred WEISEE, to Kaiser Hospital located at the corner of Sunset and Edgemont, Los Angeles, California.

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RICHARD BLAIRE WALKER, 1030 Westlake Avenue, Apartment 7, Los Angeles, California, advised that he is an ambulance driver for Goodhew Ambulance Service, 1826 South Hoover Street, Los Angeles, California.

On the night of June 5, 1968, WALKER and JERROLD BRYON HEMINGWAY were dispatched by the Goodhew Ambulance Service to the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, California, to pick up Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY who had been shot at the hotel. When WALKER and HEMINGWAY arrived, they found that KENNEDY had already been removed and that WILLIAM WEISEL who had also been shot was in need of an ambulance. WALKER stated that he and HEMINGWAY drove WEISEL to the hospital and he, WALKER, rode in the back of the ambulance with WEISEL. WEISEL remained conscious throughout the ordeal and complained that he thought that he had been shot three times. WALKER stated that, upon examination of WEISEL at the hospital by himself and HEMINGWAY, they discovered WEISEL had been shot one time in the left side of the abdomen. WALKER stated that he and HEMINGWAY later transported WEISEL to the Kaiser Hospital, Los Angeles, California.

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Mr. DAVID S. GREENBERG, Controller, Midway Hospital, 5925 San vicente Boulevard, was contacted at his place of business, and after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents, made available a copy of a Midway Hospital Admittance Sheet on IRWIN STROLL.

A review of this sheet showed that STROLL had been admitted into Midway Hospital at 1:40 a.m. on June 5, 1968, and was assigned to Room 303 in the hospital. This sheet indicated his attending physician was LEWIS COZEN. The physician's diagnosis of the patient was listed as "Debriment of Wound LT Cleft."

Mr. GREENBERG stated that medical records pertaining to STROLL would not be completed until after he had been released as a patient from the hospital. He requested that in order for the hospital to release STROLL's medical records, a subpoena duces tecum be issued to himself at the above address.

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Mr. IRWIN NEAL STROLL was contacted in Room 303, Midway Hospital, 5925 San Vicente Boulevard, and after being advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents, he was interviewed regarding the events which took place at the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4-5, 1968.

STROLL stated that he was born on in Brooklyn, New York, but presently resided with his parents at 6089 Horner Street, Los Angeles, telephone WE 5-3735. He is presently a student at Fairfax High School in Los Angeles. In addition to being a student, he has also been working at the Wilshire Boulevard division of the KENNEDY for President campaign headquarters. is located at 5615 Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles. Because of his admiration for Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY, he made a pillow which he intended to present as a gift to KENNEDY on the night of June 4, 1968. He had discussed presenting this gift to Senator KENNEDY with STEPHEN SMITH, who was the Southern California coordinator for the KENNEDY campaign. SMITH told him that Senator KENNEDY would be very happy to receive such a gift and instructed him to bring it to the Ambassador Hotel on the night of June 4, 1968, and arrangements would be made to have him present his gift after Senator KENNEDY had spoken to his supporters. On the evening of June 4, 1968, he went to the Ambassador Hotel in the company of MIDGE JAY, who is secretary to STEPHEN SMITH. After arriving at the Embassy Room of the Ambassador Hotel, he was instructed to watch a door which is located on the rear west side of the podium from which Senator KENNEDY was to make his speech. He was assigned to watch this door with an associate of his by the name of DAVID ESQUITH. were instructed to allow no one to enter or leave the Embassy Room by this door.

At approximately 11:30 p.m., Senator KENNEDY and his associates entered the Embassy Room through the door where STROLL was standing. As KENNEDY passed, STROLL shook

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hands with him and congratulated him on his success. KENNEDY then made a speech to his supporters in the Embassy Room. Upon termination of his speech, he turned and left the podium by passing through a green curtain to the rear of the podium. His associates followed. This took them to the corridor which ran east to west, adjacent to the Embassy Room. KENNEDY and his associates began to walk west down the corridor. Senator KENNEDY was walking at the head of the group, followed by California State Assembleyman JESSE UNRUH, PIERRE SALINGER, STEPHEN SMITH, KENNEDY's brother-in-law, two members of the press, RAFER JOHNSON, Mrs. ROBERT KENNEDY, and ROSIE GRIER, the professional football player. As this group walked west down the corridor, they passed the doorway where STROLL was standing. As the group passed, he received a signal from STEPHEN SMITH, KENNEDY's brother-in-law, to fall in behind so that STROLL could present his gift to KENNEDY when the Senator reached his room.

STROLL advised that when he walked into the corridor to the rear of KENNEDY's procession, he was standing near Mrs. KENNEDY It was at this time that he heard a series of noises which sounded to him like firecrackers being exploded. He thought there were six such noises. He recalled thinking to himself that someone was setting off firecrackers. His immediate reaction was to push out with his hands, and he believed he pushed Mrs. KENNEDY, because when he looked down, he saw Mrs. KENNEDY lying on the floor, and ROSIE GRIER was lying on top of her. He stated it was at this point that he felt a blow to his left leg and thought at the time that someone had kicked him. Immediately following the series of small noises, people began rushing into the corridor. He ran out of the corridor into the Embassy Room through the doorway which he had previously been watching. When he entered the Embassy Room, he looked down at his leg and saw blood and then realized that he had been shot. He yelled, "I have been shot. I have been shot." His friend, DAVID ESQUITH, who had not entered the corridor with him, was standing at the doorway, and upon hearing STROLL state he had been shot, proceeded to help him out of the Embassy Room. He was then carried down the stairs and then through the front exit of the hotel. There someone put him into a Yellow Cab, and he was taken to the Central Receiving Hospital, where he was treated for his wound. He was subsequently released from the Central Receiving Hospital and admitted to the Midway Hospital.

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STROLL advised that at no time did he see his assailant nor did he even realize at the time that Senator KENNEDY had been shot. Since the incident, he has observed the suspect's photo on television. STROLL advised that he has never seen the individual depicted as the suspect before.

STROLL stated that his doctor told him that he would probably be released on Saturday, June 8, 1968. His doctor also told him that the bullet which struck him appeared to have ricochete'd from the floor before it hit him in the left leg.

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> SEARCH OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN'S ROOM BY LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT

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At approximately 10:15 AM on June 5, 1968, Detective Lieutenant GERALD WRIGHT, Pasadena Police Department, advised SA J. ROBERT SULLIVAN that the brother of the man who allegedly shot Senator ROBERT F. KENNEDY was being interviewed at the Pasadena Police Department by Los Angeles Police Department detectives. He identified the suspect as SIRHAN SIRHAN and his brother as ADEL SIRHAN. Lieutenant WRIGHT introduced SA SULLIVAN to Detective Sergeant WILLIAM BRANDT, Rampart Division, Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD). SA SULLIVAN informed Sergeant BRANDT of the FBI's interest in this case. BRANDT stated he had already informed ADEL SIRHAN of his rights and they were nearly through interviewing him. He said they planned to take him to the Rampart Division Station and invited SA SULLIVAN into the interview room.

SA SULLIVAN identified himself to ADEL SIRHAN and informed him SA SULLIVAN was interested in obtaining some information concerning his family in general and his brother SIRHAN in particular. After obtaining this information from ADEL SIRHAN, SA SULLIVAN left the interview room and immediately telephoned this information to the Los Angeles Office of the FBI. After approximately five minutes SA SULLIVAN returned to the interview room and was informed by Sergeant BRANDT that arrangements had been made to go to the SIRHAN residence before going to the Rampart Division.

SA SULLIVAN accompanied Sergeant BRANDT, Detective JIM EVANS, Central Homicide Division, LAPD, and ADEL SIRHAN in the LAPD car. Upon arrival at the SIRHAN residence, 696 East Howard Street, Pasadena, the entire block was observed to be crowded with vehicles and approximately 20 or more individuals who appeared to be reporters were on the front lawn. There were also many people standing around in the vicinity of the SIRHAN house. SA SULLIVAN observed unidentified newsmen examining trash in the trash cans at the rear of the residence.

Sergeant BRANDT and Detective EVANS accompanied by ADEL SIRHAN immediately entered the residence by the front door.

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SA SULLIVAN went to the rear of the house with other LAPD detectives to determine if there had been anything taken by newsmen from the trash cans. SA SULLIVAN does not know if anything was taken from the trash cans prior to his arrival. The two detectives began sorting the trash and SA SULLIVAN entered the house through the rear door. On entering the house Sergeant BRANDT informed SA SULLIVAN that a search was underway in SIRHAN SIRHAN's room located in the southeast corner of the one-story house. Sergeant BRANDT and Detective EVANS were quickly checking through notes, notebooks and papers in SIRHAN's room. SA SULLIVAN did not participate in the search but merely observed the search as being conducted by Sergeant BRANDT and Detective EVANS. Sergeant BRANDT did show certain items to SA SULLIVAN. These were two notebooks and the front of one envelope.

At approximately 12:00 noon Sergeant BRANDT, Detective EVANS, ADEL SIRHAN and SA SULLIVAN left the SIRHAN residence and drove directly to the Rampart Division Station. The two notebooks and the envelope were taken by Sergeant BRANDT and it is not known if he gave a receipt or an inventory listing to ADEL SIRHAN or anyone else. After arriving at the Rampart Station SA SULLIVAN left to telephone the Los Angeles Office of the FBI to advise of the developments outlined above. After using the telephone SA SULLIVAN joined Sergeant BRANDT and others in another part of the building. SA SULLIVAN observed Mayor SAM YORTY in the room where the interview was being conducted examining the notebooks and material obtained by Sergeant BRANDT and Detective EVANS from the SIRHAN residence.

SA SULLIVAN inquired of Lieutenant CHARLES HUGHES, Chief of Detectives of the Rampart Division, if the material obtained at the SIRHAN residence could be obtained for submission to the FBI Laboratory for examination. Lieutenant HUGHES instructed LEE SMITH, LAPD, to examine each page and then inventory the material and turn it over to the FBI.



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At 2:50 P.M. on June 5, 1968, Sergeant WILLIAM E. BRANDT, Los Angeles Police Department, furnished the original of the following items to SA E. RHEAD RICHARDS, JR. and advised that all of these items were obtained by the police at the residence of SIRHAN SIRHAN, 696 East Howard, Street, Pasadena, California:

One Honorable Discharge Certificate issued to SIRHAN B. SIRHAN from the California Cadet Corps, dated June 1963

One piece of torn poster board with writing on one side.

One single page notebook size paper beginning with "I..have often experienced momentary..." and ending with "...and those of Ghandis".

One single page notebook size paper beginning with "The new epic (music structure)..." and ending on reverse side with "...Henry James' story and realistic".

One single page notebook size paper beginning with "One book, <u>Master of Life</u>, interested me..." and ending with "... I submit my application". Reverse side contains scribbling which appears to be in a foreign language.

One single page notebook size paper beginning with "If you decided to..." and ending on reverse side with "...how to swing a golf club properly".

One single page notebook size paper beginning with "1. Store for life.." and ending on reverse side with "...was a cattle kingdom".

One single page notebook size paper beginning with "Cattle kingdom beginning.. " and ending on reverse side with words "patent, subsidy, tariff"

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One single page notebook size paper beginning with "Rosecrucian Philosophy..." and ending with "...I am very sorry"

One strip containing three photographs of male individual.

One brown, letter size envelope with return address of U.S. Treasury Department, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, California, with penciled-in handwriting across face of envelope, stating "RFK must be disposed of like his brother was". Also, on bottom of envelope on the front side is the penciled-in word "reactionary".

One brown spiral wirebound notebook, No. 302, \$.10 copy, containing various names and addresses.

One campaign leaflet stating "Meet a winner, Senator Eugene McCarthy..."

One pamphlet entitled "The Opinion" (Independent Student Publication) consisting of two pages, dated Friday, March 30, 1962.

Two pages, Russian 1-B final with printed sentences in English and translation to some foreign language.

One pamphlet entitled "Mental Projection - You can project things metaphysically right into being". Pamphlet consists of four pages.

One business card of BORIS YARO, Staff Writer, Los Angeles Times, San Gabriel Valley Section, with phone number and address on back side as follows: 625 West 28th Street, Los Angeles, 746-9541.

One Simpson Indexed Filler, wirebound, No. 9804, \$.98 copy, with penciled and penned handwriting on various pages.

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One copy of "The Christian Science Monitor" dated Boston, Thursday, May 23, 1968, containing two sections.

One green Simpson Lee Paper Company notebook, ll" by 8½", \$.45 copy, labeled with printing "Pasadena City College" on front cover, with front page beginning with "Life - hydrogen born..." and last page ending with "...perception by Gestalt".

Writings and documents obtained on 6/5/68 from the Los Angeles Police Department were photographed and appear as exhibit 18 attached to this report. All items were found at the residence of Sirhan Sirhan, 696 East Howard, Pasadena, California, on 6/5/68. LA 56-156 JOS/rah

TRACING OF GUN USED IN SHOOTING

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The weapon taken from SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN at the time of the shooting of Senator KENNEDY and the other individuals at the Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, was determined by the Los Angeles Police Department to be a .22 caliber Iver Johson pistol, bearing serial number H53725. The Los Angeles Police Department advised that this pistol contained eight shots and that all eight shots were expended.

Los Angeles Police Department records under DR 68521466 reflect that this gun was traced by the Homicide Division of the Los Angeles Police Department on June 5, 1968.

According to this report, information was received by the Los Angeles Police Department from Criminal Identification and Investigation (CII), Sacramento, which indicated that this particular weapon was registered to an ALBERT LESLIE HERTZ of 777 East Valley Boulevard, Apartment 32, Alhambra, California, telephone number 289-3311. CII records reflected that this gun was purchased on August 10, 1965, in Pasadena.

Further, the Los Angeles Police Department report reflects that, on June 5, 1968, Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT L. HERTZ were interviewed concerning this weapon. They stated that this particular gun had been purchased in August of 1965 by Mr. HERTZ. Several months later, Mrs. HERTZ gave this gun to her daughter, DANA. DANA was identified by Mrs. HERTZ to be DANA WESTLAKE who currently resides at 349 Redwood Drive in Woodacre, California, telephone number 415 454-3202. Mrs. WESTLAKE resides at this location with her husband, ROBERT F. WESTLAKE.

The Los Angeles Police Department contacted the Marin County Sheriff's Office who interviewed Mrs. WESTLAKE

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and informed the Los Angeles Police Department that Mrs. WESTIAKE, while still living in Pasadena, California, either in the latter part of November or the first part of December 1967, gave this gun to a neighbor boy. She stated that the boy was identical to GEORGE ERHARD of 1978 Olive Way, Pasadena, California, 798-3957. Later on the morning of June 5, 1968, the Los Angeles Police Department contacted GEORGE ERHARD, who advised that Mrs. WESTLAKE gave him the gun around the first of the year in 1968 and that he had it only a very short time before he sold it. stated that he sold the weapon to a person that works with him at the Nash Department Store located in Pasadena, California, on the northeast corner of Arroyo and Colorado Streets. ERHARD stated that the individual to whom he sold the gun was known only to him as JOE, whom he described as a male, Latin in appearance, but he thought that the individual was an Arab. ERHARD indicated to the police that he could recognize and point out this individual he knew as ERHARD was taken to the Nash Department Store in Pasadena, where JOE, who was later identified as MUNIR SIRHAN, 'was taken into custody'. At this time, according to the Los Angeles Police Department report, officers received information that ADEL SIRHAN "was also in custody" at the Pasadena Police Department.





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GEORGE CHARLES ERHARD, JR., 1978 Olive Way, Pasadena, California, was interviewed concerning selling a .22 caliber Iver Johnson pistol to MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN.

ERHARD was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and he was interviewed in the presence of his mother, Mrs. HELEN B. ERHARD, at his residence.

ERHARD stated that he originally obtained the pistol, serial number unrecalled, from a former neighbor, Mrs. DANA TULITA WESTLAKE, who now resides with her husband, ROBERT F. WESTLAKE, 349 Redwood Drive, Woodacre, California, in about December 1967.

He stated that the pistol was given to him as Mrs. WESTLAKE did not want it around the house where her children could get hold of it, and she knew that he collected guns.

He said that he believes LESLIE H. HERTZ, father of Mrs. WESTLAKE, was the original owner.

He described the pistol as an Iver Johnson, eight shot, double action, .22 caliber pistol which he believed had not been shot prior to his obtaining it.

He stated that he possessed the pistol until about February 15, 1968, when he sold it to a fellow employee at the F. C. Nash Company, a department store, 141 East Colorado Street, Pasadena, California, known to him as "JOE".

He identified a photograph of MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN, also known as "JOE", who is employed at Nash's, as the individual to whom he sold the pistol.

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He stated that "JOE" was not a friend but rather an acquaintance he knew at work. He stated that "JOE" had heard from some of the other employees that he (ERHARD) collects guns and in early January 1968, "JOE" asked him if he had a gun for sale which could be used for "hunting". "JOE" specified a hand gun for under \$50, but ERHARD had no guns for sale at that time.

ERHARD stated that in about February 1968, he needed money to fix up his automobile so he mentioned to "JOE" that he might have a gun for sale. He stated that he believed this was on a Saturday at work and "JOE" asked him to bring the gun to work so he could see it.

ERHARD stated that he believes he brought the Iver Johnson .22 to the customer parking lot of Nash's on the following Monday where "JOE" came out to his car and looked at the pistol.

ERHARD was asking \$27 to \$30 for the pistol and "JOE" stated that he did not have enough money with him at that time and requested ERHARD to meet him later that afternoon at the corner of Howard Street and an unrecalled cross street at about 5:30 PM.

ERHARD stated that he and another friend, BILL PRICE, 2488 Galbraith Road, Pasadena, California, drove to the Howard Street location in his (ERHARD) Corvair automobile. "JOE" and another individual described as a dark complexioned male with black curly hair were standing on the corner.

ERHARD got out of the automobile and walked to the rear of the automobile and talked with "JOE" about the pistol. The other individual walked to the side of the automobile and talked with PRICE. ERHARD stated that he believed that he had the pistol with him at this time and he and "JOE" bargained for it. ERHARD was asking \$30 and "JOE" and the other individual

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walked away from ERHARD and PRICE who had joined him in the discussion. ERHARD stated that "JOE" and this other individual appeared to be talking in a foreign tongue, possibly Arabic.

Both individuals walked back to where ERHARD and PRICE were standing and "JOE" stated that he did not have quite enought money but he would purchase the pistol for \$25. ERHARD agreed and "JOE" had to borrow about \$6 from the other individual. ERHARD recalls that he gave the pistol to "JOE" who handed him the \$25. He stated that no ammunition was sold with the pistol.

ERHARD reviewed photographs of SIRHAN SIRHAN and MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN and identified MUNIR as "JOE". He stated he was unable to identify a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN as the individual with "JOE" who had loaned "JOE" the \$6.

ERHARD stated that he does not recall any specific identifying features of the pistol which he sold to "JOE", but he might possibly be able to identify the brown cardboard box containing the pistol.





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WILLIAM EDMOND PRICE, 2488 Galbraith Road, Pasadena, California, was interviewed concerning his knowledge of a .22 caliber Iver Johnson pistol sold to MUNIR BISHARA SIRHAN. PRICE was advised of the identity of the interviewing agent and he was interviewed in the presence of his mother, Mrs. PAUL EDMOND PRICE, at his residence.

PRICE stated that in February 1968, he was visiting a friend, GEORGE CHARLES ERHARD, 1978 Olive Way, Pasadena, California, who was working on a recently purchased automobile.

ERHARD asked him to go with him as he hoped to sell a pistol to a fellow employee.

He stated that they drove to a location on Howard Street, the cross street unrecalled, in ERHARD's 1962 Corvair automobile.

He stated that he recalls it was approximately 6 PM, when they arrived at the corner where two fellows were standing.

ERHARD got out of the automobile and walked to the back and talked with an individual later known to him as "JOE". PRICE remained in the automobile with the pistol.

A short time later ERHARD returned to the automobile and took the pistol and returned to the rear of the automobile with "JOE".

The individual accompanying "JOE" came over to the automobile and talked with PRICE. A short time later PRICE got out of the automobile and he and the other individual joined ERHARD and "JOE" and discussed selling the pistol.

PRICE recalls that "J&E" stated that he wanted his "brother to see the pistol and his brother looked over the pistol.

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ERHARD and "JOE" bargained over the price of the pistol as ERHARD was asking \$30.

He stated that the two brothers walked away and started talking in a foreign language. A short time later they came back and settled on \$25, of which "JOE" obtained about \$6 from his brother. PRICE stated that he recalls that there was no ammunition with the pistol and it was in a brown cardboard box with a velvet type lining and he recalls the word "Iver" on the box. He stated that he does not believe that he could positively identify the pistol or the box if seen again.

He stated that he recalls "JOE" mentioning several times that the pistol was to be used for hunting. PRICE stated that both brothers discussed the price of the pistol but "JOE" did the actual purchasing and the pistol was in "JOE's" possession after the transaction. He described JOE's" brother as 5'5", thin build, black greasy hair, unkept and wav y with dark eyes. He stated that the brother appeared to be older then "JOE" and he believes that he could identify him if he saw him again.

He identified a photograph of SIRHAN SIRHAN as being identical with "JOE's" brother, mentioned above.

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The following is a photograph of the weapon used in the assassination of ROBERT F. KENNEDY. This photograph was taken by LARRY SHARKEY of the "Los Angeles Times".



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> SEARCH OF SIRHAN BISHARA SIRHAN'S CAR BY LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, POLICE DEPARTMENT