

Autopsy; clothing; Character FBI investigation 7/19/70 Weisberg

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When Howard and I first discovered that the ever-faithful FBI had been a little, shall I say "sloppy" in its photography of the shirt, I've wondered why, not regarding them as incompetent, especially in lab matters. I had and discarded a theory that it had to do with entrance and angle of entrance. Now I think this may have been right.

I've just glanced at the enlargement of the hole. Curil will have a real expert examine this. I'm not sending it to him now because he will be here sometime this summer, and I have other such things for him to appraise and have appraised, and he has agreed. The enlargement-which could be greater without significant loss of any kind- is about $1\frac{1}{2}$ " in max. length. It makes very clear that the original picture was carefully posed to suggest that the cloth still showed direction, which was impossible. More, the loose ends-and the only ends- are on what would have been on the side toward the Depository. By printing the enlargement upside down, the clean-cut edge of the back of the shirt, which was to the President's left, is made to appear as though it were to his right.

If this is innocent, meaningless, or both, it can be neither that the limp cloth is carefully arranged to seem to go toward the body at this point, with the hole as the center. Without positioning it this it would have been flat or limp.

This may or may not be relevant in the spectro suit, but it will be in that for access to the clothing/pictures of clothing/ pictures to be made of clothing.

The full picture, or what was given me as the full picture, shows the shirt hanging on at least one metal hanger. I say "at least" because there are two parallel objects, one of which might be a string and tag, and the other is about as thick as the stem of the hanger. I cannot identify it under magnification. It does resemble a certain kind of inexpensive rough, cheap rope, but I can think of no need for rope of any kind in such a picture.

The shirt was not arranged neatly on the hanger, as any housewife or reasonably careful man would have done. It is carefully arranged not to be neat, not to hang naturally - to be distorted.