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## The Warren Report

AFTER 10 MONTHS of investigation and careful study of evidence, the Warren Commission has made its report on the terrible events in Dallas last November. The long-awaited report concludes that Lee Harvey Oswald, acting alone and for reasons that will never be known, fired the shots that killed President John F. Kennedy and wounded Gov. John Connally.

It further concludes that there is no evidence that either Oswald or Jack Ruby, the man who killed him in the basement of the Dallas Police Department, was a part of any conspiracy, foreign or domestic.

Furthermore, it finds no evidence that the "atmosphere of extreme opposition to President Kennedy that was present in some parts of Dallas" had any connection with Oswald's actions.

AS TO STORIES that Oswald was the tool of right-wing extremists, the report pointed out that "Oswald's writings and his reading habits indicate that he had an extreme dislike of the right wing, an attitude most clearly reflected by his attempt to shoot Gen. (Edwin) Walker."

The exoneration of the City of Dallas was immediately hailed by Mayor Erik Jonsson, who said, "I hope this will be the end of the 'climate of hate' myth." All Dallas citizens can join him in the hope. In addition to the horror and grief of seeing their president and honored guest slain in their

midst, they had to endure a worldwide campaign of malicious abuse that is without parallel in history.

The Warren Commission was appointed to find the truth that would prevent the growth of wild rumors and vicious accusations. Through the evidence that it lists and the conclusions that it reaches, the commission's report should, by logic, put a stop to the vitriolic attacks. But it won't, as immediate reactions to the report have shown.

IT WON'T, because those at home and abroad who have used the assassination as an opportunity to smear the city, its people, its leaders and its institutions have never been concerned with the evidence or with the truth or justice of their charges.

From the very first, before any evidence was available on the identity of the assassin, those who have used the tragedy for their own devious purposes have believed only what they wanted to believe. They have ignored facts that destroy their preconceived notions, and have woven rumors, half-truths and outright lies into their argument that the assassination was the result of the machinations of conservatives in general and the City of Dallas in particular.

These character assassins will not let the rumors and wild stories die, because they can use them to further their own causes. Theirs is the real climate of hate and, unfortunately, it is no myth.

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