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Dear Dal,

In answer to your rushed of the 23, this all's-well-that-ends-well-also rushed so I can mail it in the morning.

On the way home from the city of all the impossible things, which it took some time to learn, a high-pressure oil hose on a piece of heavy road equipment burst. It sprayed the car and worse, the windshield. The more I tried to use the automatic washer on the windshield wiper in that single line of traffic on a main road the more opaque it all got. At home a gallon of water did not clear the windshield and the paper towels remained dirty. So, after all the calling, hopefully someone in on the way here to clear the windshield so I can drive safely for tomorrow's first medical appointment for which I leave 2 1/2 hours before daylight. I leave it just before daylight for the second, physical therapy.

Your first question asks what evidence there is that Humes knew, to rephrase your question a little, that Perry made the trach. incision through the bullet hole. I answer that a little differently to say almost the same thing but to be precise and not do it literally in the terms of your question.

If you use the index to WW under Kemp Clark you will find that Humes asked him to take the Saturday press conference, that is, on 11/23/64, because Humes had called him the night before and told him what the autopsy would say. Perry having said three times that the <sup>NECK</sup> shot was from the front at their 11/22 press conference did not want to have to answer any questions. So, it is a reasonable presumption that Perry told him. I go into this at some length in coming NEVER AGAIN! And I go into your other question, on what Humes really did destroy in Post Mortem, and add to it also in NEVER AGAIN!

Perry did confirm to me that Humes spoke to him the night before ~~me~~ but I did not tape that, fearing he would not talk if I did. So the unused machine was on his desk between us. But since then I've gotten and use in NA! two confirmations. One is Manchester's book and the other is what those dirtbags of the HSCA had and suppressed and I got and use, in the Afterword, the secret transcript of the secret hearing <sup>hear</sup> this medical panel had of its interrogations of the radiologist, Dr. Eversole, and of Dr. Finck. Eversole could not be talked out of saying that in his presence and on the phone in the autopsy room Humes phoned Perry, at about 10 p.m. 11/22 or not long after that! So, if Humes did not know before he finished his post mortem exam it was only because he did not want to know because he had what he said was a wound of entry but no exit and the only possible exit was through that incision.

Of <sup>those</sup> that who had been at Parkland and knew Keller <sup>OH</sup> and Greer of the Secret Service were in the autopsy room almost constantly. I left for a brief phone call. Clint Hill

who had been in Dallas was brought in ~~in~~ as an official observer of the wounds. And there were a number, I cannot say who, in the amphitheater. And, of course, <sup>Burkley</sup>.

It was because, as you'll see in NA!, there was no bullet in the body according to the X-rays that Kellerman had them take a second set that also showed none. So there was only one place possible, where that incision was. (in NA!)

Humes gave two different and contradictory statements of what he destroyed under oath and one not under oath, to JAMA. He swore to the Commission, as you'll see in PM, that it was his <sup>protocol</sup> ~~notes~~ he destroyed. He swore to HSCA that it was the notes he destroyed. I go into this rather extensively in NA! As you may recall, I published several receipts for his notes in facsimile in PM. I trace them to Specter's hands with a witness before him. I also gave the Commission Document number of the file that held them and my first-person account that when I examined that file those notes were not there. PM. (I know there is too much <sup>in it</sup> and it all can't be remembered but remember, I've been trying from the first to get all possible for me <sup>while</sup> on paper <sup>from</sup> <sup>I</sup> can.) (Crew here to clean car and windshield of oil.)

I go into the obvious lie he told JAMA about that, that he feared improper uses of anything with the President's blood on it so he, with a false story about a Lincoln chair, <sup>destroyed the notes</sup> The lying scumbag! The body chart I use in PM is <sup>from</sup> the original and I held it in my hands. The blood and other body fluids are visible in PM and any page and copy is used!

On "confident quotations" I suggest WW, because I sent him and Boswell copies and solicited any contradiction (Boswell badmouthed me to a Baltimore Sun reporter I suggested interview him and primed for that), and PM, because both have long been published and I've not heard a peep from either of them. Or anybody in protest about anything in it.

Of all the unlikely interruptions I <sup>just</sup> was called by an old friend, a British reporter who came here 20 or more years ago to work for the mother of all out supermarket tabloids, The National Enquirer. Fine fellow who makes much more there than any other paper will pay. He's become an American citizen and can, probably by now, has educated his children. He wanted to know what I could not remember, the name of the movie at the Texas Theater when Oswald went there. Rather than take the time to look it up I referred him to one who loved and specialized in the trivia. But when we spoke I suggested a story on the remarkable parallels ~~between~~ between what is ~~wrong~~ <sup>wrong</sup> in the Simpson (wife's) investigation and those in the JFK assassination. I also told him about what was gutted from Case Open and a little of what will be in NA! Not like the NYTimes but as honest, which says what I think of the Times, but they reach millions more people.... Hope that when I read and correct this, also in haste, it makes sense. Our love,

*Herb*