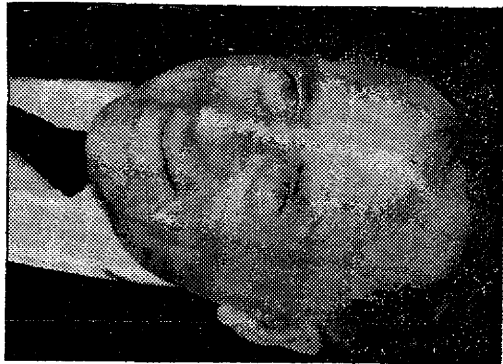


Newspaper Editor Who Never Gave Up



PENN JONES JR.
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An award-winning newspaper editor says he and other researchers are providing fodder for future historians to use to solve the riddle of the political assassinations of the 1960s.

Praised by some, labeled as a crackpot by others, country newspaperman Penn Jones Jr. told TATTLER he doesn't believe the true facts in the murder of President John F. Kennedy will be revealed in his lifetime.

"But yes, I'm going to keep working on this for the rest of my life and I hope it's a long one," said the 60-year-old writer-researcher.

Jones is the author of four books attacking the official version that no conspiracy was involved in the Kennedy slaying. The books, "Forgive My Grief," Volumes I, II, III and IV, detail the mysterious deaths that have baffled witnesses and others who have delved into the assassination mystery.

THEY WERE murdered, the feisty author said, to keep them from making public clues that would reveal a military takeover was involved in the assassination.

Syndicated columnist Dorothy Kilgallen was one of those who died

mysteriously on Nov. 8, 1965. The coroner said she died from the effects of alcohol and barbiturates, though no quantities were given. She had had a private interview with Jack Ruby, the killer of accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald.

"She was going to break the case wide open," Jones said.

Nobody denies Jones has guts. In 1963, he received the Elijah Parish Lovejoy Award for exposes of a right-wing organization that led to the bombing of his Midlothian, Tex., Mirror newspaper office.

"What we are doing," he said, "is

pointing to where historians can dig in future years. It's too deeply entrenched to come out now." Jones told TATTLER.

JONES RECENTLY sold his newspaper and is devoting full-time in his assassination research and in presenting his case to the public.

He is constantly in demand for lectures at colleges and universities throughout the country. He has appeared on numerous television programs, including the network Mike Douglas and Merv Griffin shows. —J.M.