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Page 44. penultimate paragraph

In the last line, delete "in a magazine article"

Page 44, footnote

Replace existing text with the following:

The Oswald Affair by Leo Sauvage, The World Publishing Company, 1966, page 121.

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Page 465 (Index)

Under "Autopsy photographs and X rays" insert "177 fn."

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Have notified you previously but wish to confirm the following typographical error:

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Love,

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Page 162, paragraph 2, line 1

The autopsy surgeons were not questioned about the diagramatic or written indications of bullet damage at the left temple or the left lobe of the brain. Nevertheless, when Dr. Jenkins....(continue with printed text)

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- 22 Delete "films" and insert "frames"
- 113 Delete "increasing" and insert "progressive"
- 134 "perpetration" is correct (not "penetration")
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- 177 In footnote, line 7, my original text has been altered. Please revise the line to read:

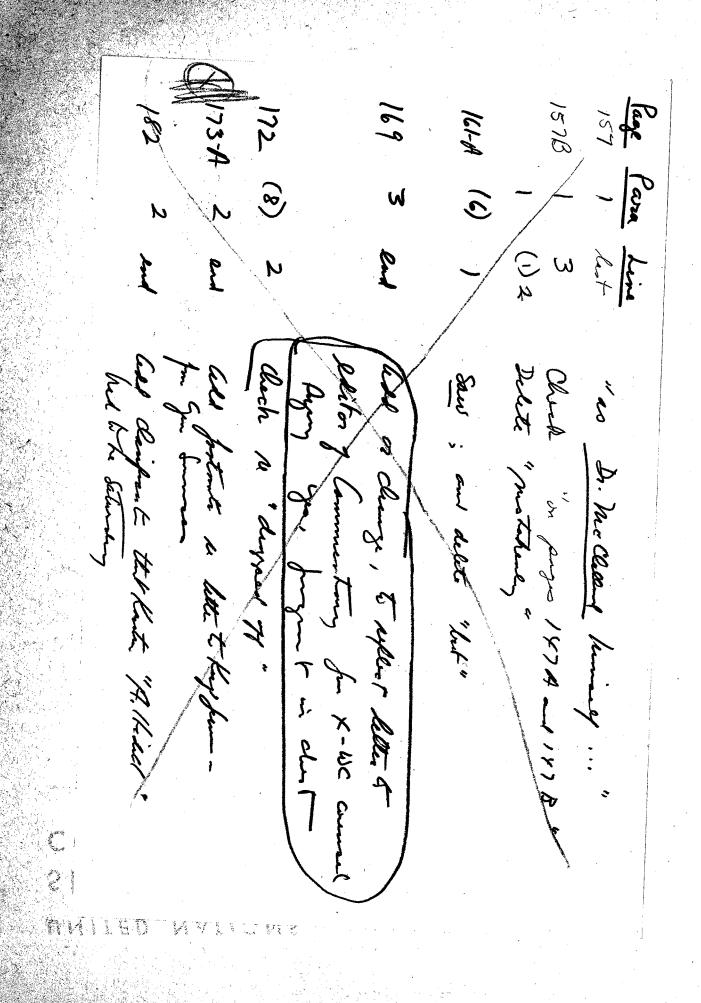
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- 302 See additional paragraph at end of footnote
- 307 In 4th line from the bottom, delete "not" so that the sentence will read:

 That is the reason we did arraign him in the city hall.
- 341 Line 1, delete "Underlining" and insert "Emphasis"
- 358 "a photograph"
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- 398 (See also page xii, Contents) The correct title is "Homicide in the Police Basement" (not "Department")
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Page 302-B, line 7, should read "...lack of ... "

Page 313, paragraph 3, line 3, should read, "...Your comment..."

Page 314-F, delete "1/ (see next page)"

Page 314-0, insert at top of page, "A Perfect Record"

Page 314-N, paragraph 3, line 2, "...dumbfounding..."

Citations to be inserted

Page 285, paragraph 3

After first sentence, insert "(GEs 2958, 3114)."

After second sentence, insert "(11H 416-417)."

Thanks.

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Robert Cokens

- (1) On existing page 228, please delete the title ("The Interrogation of Osweld") and please change the page number to "228-A."
- (2) Please insert the enclosed new page 228 in the minuscript; immediately before page 228-4.
- (3) Please remove from the me. existing page 230-4 and insert in its place revised page 230-4 which is enclosed.

(6) On existing page 240, insert the following new sentences at the end of the three lines titled "Gommentary":

that normally the tape emerges from the dispenser in wet condition, and that anyone wishing to remove tape without wetting it would have to remove the roll of tape or remove the water-dispenser (or inactivate it by other means). Such a procedure obviously would attract attention and consume additional time. Yet no one in the Depository could place Oswald at or near the wrapping desk nor tie him to the tape, wet or dry. That the tape came from the Depository dispenser is a certainty, thanks to "a series of small markings in the form of half-inch lines...identical to the length of the lines and the number of lines per inch on the tape obtained from the dispenser in the...Depository shipping room" (NR 579-580).

Despite the lack of supporting evidence and in the face of serious constraints, the Commission implicitly asks us to assume that Oswald filched the materials and made a paper bag secretly, at the Depository or in his rented room in Dallas after working hours, since there was no opportunity to fashion the bag without being detected during his overnight visit to The Commission adds blandly that he made the bag to hold the Why not the assembled rifle, while he was at it? disessembled rifle. That would have eliminated avoidable complications—the disassembling of the rifle (if it was not already disassembled) and certainly the reassembling of the weapon at the Depository, where there was little privacy. Perhaps Oswald did not remember the actual length of the assembled rifle (40.2 inches). Or perhaps he was under the impression that he had received the rifle he had actually ordered, which was only 36 inches long in assembled state (see Appendix 1, letter dated July 10, 1965 to Melvin Risenberg). If so, it was a fortunate coincidence that the bag was long enough to contain the disassembled 40.2-inch rifle.

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When the FBI, at the Commission's request, took a series of statements from all Depository personnel, to determine where each person was at the time of the shooting, the inquiry was so superficial—or so calculatedly obfuscatory—that Mrs. Arnold's replies to the FBI's questions did not reflect the information she had given earlier, that she had seen Oswald on the first floor at 12:15 p.m. (CE 1381). Yet that pivotal information was recorded in the Commission's desuments, only to be ignored and concealed in the determined effort to damn Oswald as the lone assassin.

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parcel found in the dead-letter section of the post office. The same inferences must have suggested themselves to the members of the Commission and/or its staff who processed the FBI report. The implications did not lead to further investigation but the report was merely put aside without further ado or mention in the Report or the Exhibits.

against Oswald by which he was falsely incriminated in the assassination by those who planned and executed it has been thrust under the rug by the Warren Commission. Now that it has surfaced, it dishonors those who disregarded and concealed it, and contributes to the body of indications that Oswald may have been framed by planted and fabricated evidence.

As mentioned in Chapter 3 (page 84-A), Dallas police officer M L Baker submitted a handwritten statement on September 23, 1964 in which he attested that he "saw a man standing in the lunch room drinking a coke" and then crossed out the last three words (CE 3076).

Although the inclusion of the phrase which Baker then deleted may not have legal force, we suggest that on moral and psychological grounds Baker has thus provided powerful corroboration of Oswald's assertion that he was drinking a coke when he was stopped by a police officer.

FBI Agent Hosty, Ruth Paine, and Oswald

The Report (1986 327) states that the Warren Commission investigated the circumstances which led to the presence in Oswald's address book of FBI agent Hosty's name, office address, phone number, and license number. There was a perfectly innocent explanation, of course: Hosty had interviewed Ruth Paine at her home on November 1 and 5, 1963. On the first visit he had left his name and phone number with Mrs. Paine so that she might advise him if she learned Oswald's address in Dallas. Ruth Paine gave this slip of paper to Oswald. Marina Oswald had written down Hosty's license number on one of his visits, in accordance with prior instructions from Oswald, and she gave him that information. The address of the FBI Dallas office, the Report assures us, is easily obtainable "from many public sources."

The Report is discreetly silent about a fact that emerges from the Hearings and Exhibits—that the FBI initially withheld from the Warren Commission the information that entries concerning Hosty were found in Oswald's papers. That comes to light in a letter of March 26, 1964 in which the Commission asked the FBI for a "reasoned response" to some thirty questions, including the following one.

When and for what reason were pages 279 through 283 of the report of SA Gemberling of February 11, 1964, prepared (setting forth the entries in Oswald's address book which had not been included in the report of SA Gemberling of December 23, 1963)?

The FBI Director responded in a letter of April 6, 1964, that

Pages 279 through 283 of the report of SA Gemberling dated February 11, 1964, were prepared at the time such report was being typed by the Dallas Office during a few-day period immediately preceding submission of such report to PBI Head-quarters by the Dallas Office. In this connection, your attention is also directed to this Bureau's letter to the Commission dated Pebruary 27, 1964, enclosing an affidavit executed by SA Robert P. Gemberling explaining in detail his handling and reporting of data in Lee Harvey Oswald's address book. You will note that in his affidavit, SA Gemberling explains why certain data in Oswald's address book was reported in his December 23, 1963, report, whereas the remaining data... was reported in SA Gemberling's February 11, 1964, report.

(CE 833 page 15)

- He might wish to point out that much of the controversy about the validity of the Warren Report has centered on differing interpretations of evidence, and on the innocently defective procedures utilized by the Accessories takes passages from the Warren Report in their Commission. entirety and dissects them, in relation to the references cited by the Commission in defense of its assertions or conclusions, and in relation to the testimony and documents which the Commission failed to mention. unfolding of the relationship between the assertions in the Report, the substantiating evidence claimed by the Commission, and the actual evidence -whether mutilated or omitted by the Warren Report's authors-shows that on point after point, the Commission has presented a grotesquely inaccurate account of the facts. All the more horrifying, then, to those who placed their confidence in the high reputation of the members of the Commission, is the demonstration by the author (of Accessories), time after time, that the misstatements mand can only be deliberate, and that the inaccuracies can only be conscious falsehoods. This should shift the arena of debate from the measurement of possible error by a conscientious Commission pressed by deadlines to the more fundamental issue of conscious distortion and concealment of some evidence, and unconscionable exaggeration of other evidence, with the inexcapable purpose of creating an illusion of a lone assassin.
- 2) Comment on the Commission's failure to confront the challenges of their critics over a long period of time; then, comparatively recently, attempts by some of their former lawyers to gloss over the gross defects in their Report. The debate of 30 September 1966 (Sauvage/Popkin/Meagher vs. Liebeler/Griffin/Macdonald) in which the ex-lawyers made highly damaging admissions (about their distrust of the FBI; their suspicion of the Dallas Police; the weakness of the evidence to support the conclusion that Oswald was in the sixth floor window; that it would have been very difficult for them to uncover the fabrication of evidence by the Dallas Police; that certain pronouncements in the Warren Report are completely without basis in fact; Liebeler's vow to find out who was responsible for said parts of the Report; etc.)
- 3) It will be no answer to the proof given in Accessories of the unreliability of the Report on major or secondary points of evidence for the Commission's apologists to disparage the author as being part of a "housewives' network" or other irrelevancies. The public is entitled to a full explanation of the blatant, deliberate deformation of evidence in the Warren Report, and any attempt to change the subject by indulging in discussion of irrelevancies can only confirm the total bankruptcy of the official case. Spokesmen for the Commission must confront and explain, if they can, the instances of outright alteration of fact such as, for example, the arbitrary change of date—in one instance, from October 10, 1959 to October 9; in another, from October 31, 1963 to November 1.

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	Entrance wound near base of back of neck of President. Clean edges,	1/4 x 1/7" (7 x 4 mm)	•	5.5" (14 cm) from tip of right shoulder joint; 5.5" below tip of	1/4" diameter	•	Back of coat, 5 and 5, 3/8" below top of collar; 1 and 3/4" to right of center seam
	ted, relatively small (87-92)			right mastold process	l/μ" diameter	•	Back of shirt 5-3/4" under top of collar, 1-1/8" to right of
•	Exit wound, lower	1/5" or 1/4"		Exact measure-	Mick		Knot of tie
	neck, below Adam's apple; exuding blood; edges	(5 to 8 mm)		course of tracheotomy	1/2" high verti- cal ragged slit		Front of shirt 7/8" below collar button
	neither clean-cut nor very ragged (87-92)	.e			1/2" high verti- cal ragged slit		Front of shirt, 7/8" below buttonhole, overlapping hole below collarbutton
	Entrance wound, Governor's back under right shoulder blade; small with clean-	1.2" (3 cm) in longest diameter (531)	in leter	Lateral to right scapula, close to the axilla (slightly to left of right armpit)	Hole 5/8" wide, « 1/4" high		Back of coat 1-1/8" from seam at right sleeve; 7-1/4" to right of midline
	cut edges (92); large wound (109) elliptical (92-94)	• Å			Hole 5/8" wide, 1/2" high		Back of shirt, 2" from seam of right sleeve

Tear, 3/16" long

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				Large irregular defect, upper right side of skull	5"	Approx. (13 cm) greatest diameter	Exit wound, President's skull (86-87,540)
				Rear of skull		5/8" by 1/4"	Entrance wound, back of Presi- dent's head (86-87)
3	Trousers, near left knee		Hole 1/4" in diameter	5 to 6" above left knee	or ·	2/5" in diameter	Puncture wound, Governor's left thigh (92-96)
	See above		See above	3/4" above crease of right wrist	ong 🐧	1/5" long	Exit wound, palm surface of Gov- ernor's right wrist (92-96)
right /2" /2" e cuff-link	Shirt cuff, ri, sleeve, 1-1/2" from end of sleeve, 5-1/2" from outside cuhole	ş .	Ragged irregular hole				carried into wound to region of the bone (92-96)
right oat	Near end of rig sleeve of coat		Räugh hole 5/8" long 3/8" wide	Back of right arm, 2" above wrist joint on thumb side	ide,	1/5" wide, 1" long	Entrance wound, Governor's right erngged;
ve top de de, ζ#	Front of shirt, 5" from right side seam, 9" from top of right sleeve		Irregular tear in form of "H" 1-1/2" high with crossbar tear of 1"				72-70)
nt or the nt edge of slightly button	5" to right of the front right edge the coat, slight above top button		Circular hole 3/8" diameter	Below right nipple		2" (5cm)	Exit wound in Governor's chest, ragged edges

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That cryptic reply was elaborated in the testimony of the eminent Director of the FBI, J. Edgar Hoover, when he appeared before the Warren Commission on May 14, 1964.

This report was not prepared for this Commission but rather for investigative purposes of the FBI and, therefore, the information concerning Hosty's name, telephone number, and license number was not included in the report as the circumstances under which Hosty's name, et cetera, appeared in Oswald's notebook were fully known to the FBI.

After our investigative report of December 23, 1963, was furnished ...we noted that Agent Hosty's name did not appear in the report. In order that there would be a complete reporting of all items in Oswald's notebook, this information was incorporated in another investigative report. ..dated February 11, 1964. Both of the ... reports were furnished to the Commission prior to any inquiry concerning this matter by the ... Commission. (5H 112)

The "reasoned reply" and the elucidation by the FBI Director leave room for scepticism. Gemberling's affidavit is not included among the Exhibits, which is a pity. It might clarify why the FBI was preparing reports for its own purposes as late as December 23, 1963. As we understood it, the FBI was designated as the investigative arm of the Warren Commission when the Commission was appointed on November 29, 1963. Since the FBI report of December was submitted to, although "not prepared for" the Commission, why were the Hesty entries emitted? If the circumstances were fully known to the FBI, why did not the December report include an explanation together with the entries which, on their face, suggested the possibility of a compromising relationship between Hesty or the FBI and Oswald?

It is not unreasonable to wonder if the FBI did not find the Hosty entries in Oswald's notebook inexplicable and highly embarrassing, and if the information was not withhold from the Warren Commission until a synthetic "innocent" explanation could be designed. At the least, it would seem that Gemberling protected Hosty, Hoover protected Gemberling, and the Commission protected the FBI by withholding relevant information from the Report and documents from the Exhibits.

What is even more disconcerting is the fact that careful examination of the testimony throws considerable doubt on the assertion that Marina Oswald copied the license number of Hosty's car and gave it to Oswald. It is true that she testified that she did, as the Report carefully phrases it. During her appearance before the Warren Commission on February 3, 1964 Marina Oswald was questioned about Hosty's November 1st visit.

Death and Misadventure

During the three years that followed the assassination, fifteen witnesses involved directly or peripherally in the events of Dallas have died, and one witness was the victim of attempted murder but survived a bullet in the head. (For statistical purposes, the attempted murder will be treated here as an actual murder.)

A list of the deceased witnesses by name, connection with the case, cause of death, and date of death appears in Table I below.

William Whaley, taxi-driver who took Oswald from Greyhound Bus Terminal to Oak Cliff on the day of the assassination, killed in head-on collision on December 18, 1965. (Dallas Merning News, December 19, 1965)

Earlene Roberts, housekeeper at Oswald's rooming-house, died of apparent heart attack, January 9, 1966. (Dallas Morning News, January 10, 1966)

David Goldstein, owner "Dave's House of Guns" and witness, Warren Commission (7H 594), died of unknown illness, date of death unknown. (Personal letter to the author, dated December 29, 1965)

Professor William Wolf, alleged next-door neighbor of Oswald's friend George De Mohrenschildt, died in fire in street-floor apartment, April or May 1963. (General Edwin A Walker, 11H 423 and 427)

Bill Chesher, witness to allegations by unknown gas station attendant linking Oswald and Ruby, died of alleged heart attack two days before Dallas Police attempted to interview him, sometime before April 2, 1964. (W S Biggio, 15H 50)

Dave Lane and

Alfred McClain, identities unknown, each apparently killed in taxicabs, according to the Chairman of the Warren Commission in dialogue with Jack Ruby (5H 205-206), as follows:

Ruby There was one Lane that was killed in a taxicab. I thought he was an attorney in Dallas.

Warren That was a Dave Lane.

Ruby...And there was a McClain.

Warren Afred was killled in a taxi in New York.

Footnote to be inserted on page 71, after item (11):

Detective Raymond D. Lewis of the Dallas Police crime laboratory told FBI agent Vincent Drain on November 29, 1963, that no such paper bag had been recovered from the Book Depository. (Commission Document 75, p. 463, National Archives)

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Footnote to page 71, item (11):

Just before this book went to press, an important new document was discovered in the Archives—the report of an FBI interview with Detective Raymond D. Lewis of the Dallas Police Crime Lab, dated now November 29, 1963. This document reports that Detective Lewis told FBI agent Vincent Drain that no paper bag such as the one described by the FBI was recovered in the Book Depository! (Commission Document 75, p. 463)

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Richard E. Sprague has compiled a list of photographs and films not mentioned and apparently overlooked entirely by the Warren Commission and its investigative agencies. The list includes a movie taken by bystander John Martin showing the grassy knoll seconds after the last shot; a photograph taken by Art Rickerby of Life magazine from a camera car in the motorcade, also showing the grassy knoll about a minute after the last shot; a movie film which shows the Dealey Plaza and Book Depository area from before the first shot until several minutes after the last shot, taken by David Weigman of NBC from a camera car; and photographs taken by Wilma Bond, Ron Reiland, Darnell, Alyea, Craven, Atkins, Stoughton, Burrows, Brandt, Dorman, Cancellare, Foley, Beck, Weaver, and Powell.

Not only were these films and photographs ignored but the eyewitnesses who made these records were not asked to testify. The observations of these 19 persons or more may have produced new information of momentous value.

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Revised text to be inserted between "The Stretcher Bullet" and "Spectrography" on galley page 71:

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Dr. Shires: No, again except from postoperative X rays, there is a small fragment remaining, but the initial fragments I think Dr. Shaw saw before I arrived.

(6H 111)

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Additional text to be inserted at the end of the Epilogue, after the excerpts of Garrison's remarks ("Let justice be done, though the heavens fall," and that there was no evidence that Oswald had killed anyone on 11/22/63) (Meagher 4/18/67)

District Attorney Garrison's remarks, calling for justice to be done and expressing the view that there was no evidence against Oswald to sustain the allegation that he had committed murder, were greatly heartening to critics of the Warren Commission. Further significant support for their position was manifested during a preliminary hearing in the case of Clay Shaw, who had been arrested by District Attorney Garrison on a charge of conspiracy to assassinate President Kennedy. When defense attorneys attempted to introduce the Warren Report into evidence, Judge Bernard J. Bagert denied the motion on the ground that the Report was a compound of hearsay and inaccuracies. It is a matter of historical importance that on the first occasion on which the validity of the Warren Report was an issue in a court of law, the Report was rejected by three jurists by reason of unreliability.

But the arrest and preliminary hearing in the case of Clay Shaw unfortunately presented serious cause for concern about the Garrison investigation. The main witness against Shaw at the hearing was Perry Raymond Russo. Russo identified Shaw as the "Clem Bertrand" he had met in October 1963 at a party in the home of David Ferrie, a suspect in the New Orleans probe who had died on February 22, 1967, only a few days

after it was revealed in the press that the New Orleans district attorney was investigating a conspiracy in the assassination of President Kennedy.

Russo testified that Shaw, Ferrie, and Lee Harvey Oswald had conspired in his presence to assassinate the President.

But Russo had gone to the news media with a different and contradictory story on February 24, 1967, before the arrest of Clay Shaw. Moreover, his testimony at the preliminary hearing was marred by some inherent implausibility. He alleged that he had been in Oswald's company in New Orleans in October 1963, although there is strong evidence (see chapter --) that Oswald had left the city on or about September 25, 1963, proceeding to Mexico City and Dallas. This conflict was not resolved at the hearing.

Also unresolved is Russo's allegation that three men had plotted in his presence to commit an assassination and had allowed him to depart, free to betray them to the police at any time.

The second witness against Shaw was a former narcotics addict whose testimony supported the allegation that Shaw and Oswald were acquainted with each other and might be accomplices in a crime. His identification of Shaw came after the lapse of almost four years, on the basis of a view of two strangers on a single occasion, from a somewhat removed point of vantage.

Although the judges presiding at the preliminary hearing ruled that
Clay Shaw must go totrial on the charge filed by the district attorney,
the nature and source of the testimony against him at the hearing are
greatly disquieting to anyone concerned—as every critic of the Warren
Report presumably is concerned—with the rights of the individual.

It is impossible to believe that the evidence thus far presented, in
the form of unsupported accusations by two witnesses of dubious credibility,
justifies the indictment of Clay Shaw.

Against this view, the argument has been made that District Attorney
Garrison has deliberately withheld his real evidence against Shaw in order
not to show his hand to those whose interests lie in maintaining the
fiction of the lone assassin. Such an assumption may prove to be valid.
But it confers the benefit of doubt upon the State, not upon the accused.
It seems inconceivable that those who claim for Lee Harvey Oswald the
benefit of doubt are ready to turn their backs on Clay Shaw, or on any
other individual who is accused by the State on insufficient evidence.

If Mr. Garrison did not feel ready to make public substantial evidence
which would justify the indictment of Clay Shaw, for a charge as well as

a prosecution must be founded on serious evidence if the individual is to be protected from arbitrary exercise of power by the State, the arrest of Shaw could have been postponed. There is no apparent reason why Shaw had to be arrested, as he was, on March 1, 1967, while others alleged to be involved in the assassination are walking around free —as Mr. Garrison said in an interview taped on April 3, 1967 and broadcast on a subsequent radio program.

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For the critic of the Warren Report, Mr. Garrison's many admirable statements create the temptation to rest faith in his ultimate integrity.

But since we are a nation of laws, no man may be pilloried because we have faith in his accusers. The Clay Shaw case has cast a dark shadow over the New Orleans investigation, of which many good things must still be said. It must be hoped that it will be a single aberration in

Mr. Garrison's search for the truth, a search in which the ends and the means must be equal to the strictest legal and moral tests if justice is to be satisfied.

The extraordinary proceedings which have been taking place in New Orleans since February 1967, when it became public knowledge that District Attorney Jim Garrison was conducting inquiries into the assassination, do not correspond to the new investigation that is needed. Although Mr. Garrison's pronouncements about the fallacy of the Warren Report and the existence of a conspiracy parallel the Au conclusions placed before the public by many or most of the critics, beginning in 1964, his witnesses and his evidence must be evaluated no less strictly and no less objectively than these of the Warren By such a pritorion, Mr. Garrison's evidence must be is Commissions. He witnesses when he placed on the stand during the preliminary bearing in the case of the arrest of a suspect accused having conspired against the life of President Kennedy are no more credible than Helen Louise Markham and other witnesses on whom the Warren Commission chose to rely. IINAMADANWANAHWARAJARADKWAIIANEGIMAR Mr. Garrison's orde breaking of numbers in Oswald's address book land validity, eince it is predicated in a on misreading of public and relies upon capricious variations of allegedly rigid code.

public statements ("Let justice be done, though the heavens fall," and
"There is no evidence that Lee Harvey Oswald shot anyone in Dallas on
November 22, 1963"), he is no less in than the Warren Commission is abligated to support his charges and his findings with solid and irreproachable evidence. This he has not done.

Perhaps, as has been suggested by Leo Sauvage, the investigation should now be delegated to Scotland Yard or the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or a similar non-American professional criminal investigatory body totally detached from the whiffs and whirlpools of American politics and finding self-interest of American officialdom. Parochial "investigations"

like those we have seen already

will, it appears, transform a solvable assassination into the greatest unsolved crime in American history.