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Dear Sir:

Other things being equal, halving the diameter of a ball/projectile results in only 1/8 energy remaining- thus if a bullet had a portion of itself reduced to "dust-like" fragments (whatever "dust-like" is supposed to represent), the particles would be bereft of energy that they could not be expected to achieve any substantial penetration beyond the point of genesis.

There are several bullets (frangible) that are specifically so designed...See my article in GUNS (May 1967) and KANT-SPLASH gallery cartridges; also STUN-RIGHT humane slaughter cartridges, etc.

I have never seen the X-Rays you mention. I do have a recollection (Warren Report) that the weight of the fragments was about 40 grains.

It would seem that if fragments were oriented by X-rays, they could have been recovered, spectrographed and identified.

You may use any of the above, but not out-of-context or paraphrased in any way.

I cannot offer any constructive comment on your letter as the technical (firearms) assumptions are assinine; where do you get your technical advice?

Sincerely,

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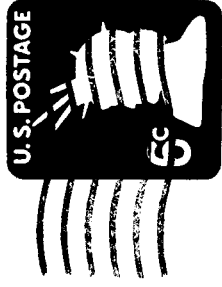
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