Disappointin Headline of the Week

Ex-FBI Man Rips Warren Report As 'Whitewash'

The Warren Commission report on the assassination of President Kennedy was tagged last night by a former FBI agent as a "whitewash which covered up and concealed vast amounts of material" that would link the incident with communism.

The charge was made by Herbert A. Philbrick, the man who chronicled his nine years as a high-level Communist party member and FBI counterspy in the book "I Led Three Lives."

Philbrick addressed a crowd of nearly 1,000 persons at a rally in Garden City sponsored by the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade.

HE ATTACKED the report not on what it said but on what it didn't say. He said there were "many strange omissions."

. One of the most glaring omissions, he said, was the fact that the first person Lee Oswald asked for after his arrest was a man named John Abt, who, Philbrick said, had been linked to a Soviet espionage ring that was smashed in Washington. And the report didn't list the fact that stacks of pro-Communist literature were found in Oswald's room after the assassination, Philbrick said.

HE SAID material "from such Communist-front organizations as the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee and the Fair Play for Cuba Committee" was found.

The FPCC disseminates bitterly anti-American literature that vilifies the U.S. as strongly as does Red China, Philbrick said. Oswald had been recruited by the FPCC, he said.

According to Philbrick, the Warren report omitted that in 1961, President Kennedy's obituary appeared in an FPCC leaflet.

ABOUT Jack Ruby, Oswald's murderer, Philbrick said that the name Jack;



DR. FRED SCHWARZ Crusade Founder

Rubenstein — Ruby's real name — had been listed as a member of the Young Communist League in Chicago. He said, however, there was no evidence they were one and the same even though Ruby spent most of his younger years in that city.

Philbrick noted that when Ruby changed lawyers recently, he named as one of his new attorneys a man named Bruce Waltzer of New Orleans who, Philbrick said, is a "registered agent for the Communist government of Cuba." Philbrick said he wasn't trying to prove that Kennedy's death was part of a Communist plot,^v although he didn't preclude that possibility.

"But I can't figure out why these strange omissions exist in the Warren report," he said.

HE SAID that one of the members of the Warren Commission staff, attorney Norman Redlich, is a national officer for the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee.

ECLC's national president, Corlis LaMonte, recently published a book called "The Crime Against Cuba" which, Philbrick said, calls the U.S. government "murderous and treachercus" for its policy toward Cuba.

Dr. Fred Schwarz, founder and president of the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade, told the gathering it is his intention "to teach every teachable person in this world the truth about the dynamics of communism."

Schwarz has been conducting schools in various parts of the country to "tell the people the nature of communism before — not after — they are enslaved with it."

He said he hopes to set up such a school in the New York area.

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