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Dear Mr. Laurence,

PLAYBOY, and you yourself in particular, have been so cordial about my work on the Warren Report that I am taking the liberty of calling your attention to the manuscript of an article by a new researcher, which impressed me as an important new contribution to the case and which I hope might be considered for publication.

The article deals with the first shot that struck President Kennedy and pursues a new line of evidence, leading to the conclusion that the bullet could not possibly have hit Governor Connally (if, as the Warren Commission claimed, it exited from the President's throat) but had to escape the car completely. It further argues convincingly that the shot in question had to come from or near ground level and could not have originated at the sixth-floor window of the Book Depository.

While it is true that the single-bullet theory has been invalidated by several critics of the Warren Report, on the basis of a number of different but incontrovertible arguments, this article has a new element of cardinal importance: that is, if and when the autopsy photographs become available for examination, and if they reveal the bullet entrance wound in the back, or the back of the neck, to be in the high position described in the Warren Report rather than the low position postulated by the critics, the single-bullet theory and therefore the lone assassin hypothesis will still have to be rejected in the light of the new evidence set forth.

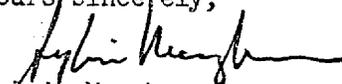
The article is about 7,500 words long and is accompanied by ten photographs and drawings--the product of original research done by the head of the anthropology department of a Midwestern university. It has been read by a foremost forensic pathologist, who confirmed that the author is essentially correct in his anatomical descriptions and evaluations and that there was no significant flaw in his reasoning.

I very much hope that PLAYBOY, which has frequently offered a forum for the critics of the Warren Report, will consider this article for publication. Although it deals with technical questions of a medical character, it is clearly, lucidly, and crisply written, in a reasonable matter-of-fact tone which is often more striking and persuasive than writing that is frankly sensational. It may well prove to be a pivotal element in the total effort to establish the truth about the first Kennedy assassination, in which PLAYBOY could take pride.

If you would like to consider the manuscript for publication, I will gladly arrange to have it sent to you at once.

With thanks and kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
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