

How To Be a Believer

The Wound at the Adam's Apple

It is possible to agree that it is a wound of exit, as the Warren Commission asserts, and not a wound of entrance, as the critics assert, if only one can accept as mere coincidence that:

1. Parkland Hospital doctors said in their written reports of 11/22/63 and told the press on that day and subsequently that it was an entrance wound
2. The transcript of their press conference on 11/22/63 has been "lost"
3. *D/FBI Report suppressed*
4. There is no metallic residue at the holes in front of the shirt
5. The Secret Service conducted reenactment tests on 12/5/63, with the autopsy report in hand, to determine how JFK was hit in the front from behind
6. The FBI confirmed to the Washington Post on 12/18/63 that the first bullet to strike JFK "was found deep in his shoulder" (Washington Post, 5/29/66, page A-3, column 4)
7. *Requests Letter to Editor*

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The Single-Missile Hypothesis

It is possible to agree that the Warren Commission is correct, and that the FBI, Governor Connally, Senator Russell, Senator Long, Malcolm Kilduff, and Life Magazine ^{like all the Critics} are wrong, if only one can accept as mere coincidence that:

1. The bullet holes in the clothes are too low
2. The wound is too low on the autopsy face-sheet because of a "diagram error" by Dr. Boswell, who did not know at the time of the autopsy that it would become a public document
3. Sibert, O'Neill, Clinton Hill, and Glen Bennett mistakenly placed the wound too low
4. The wound is too low on the back of the stand-in for JFK in the 5/24/64 on-site reenactment tests
5. The Commission neglected to question Drs. Humes, Boswell, and Finck about the "diagram error" on the face-sheet
6. Sibert and O'Neill were not asked to give testimony
7. The description of the wound set forth in the Sibert/O'Neill report and in the FBI Reports of 12/9/63 and 1/13/64 is not mentioned in the Warren Report; and none of the three reports are published in the Hearings & Exhibits
8. The autopsy photographs and x-rays were not examined by the Commission
9. The autopsy photographs and x-rays are not available for examination by independent forensic pathologists, researchers, or other persons
10. The photographs of JFK's clothes published in the Hearings and Exhibits do not show the bullet holes; photographs which do show the bullet holes were not published by the Warren Commission and became known for the first time when Inquest was issued
11. Apologists for the Warren Report such as Professor Alexander Bickel and Wesley J. Liebeler are now suggesting that the single-missile-hypothesis is not essential to the conclusion that there was only a lone assassin and that the first shot might have been fired during a break through the trees at frame 185-186

The Entrance Wound in the Head

It is possible to agree that the Warren Commission is correct in asserting that there is a small bullet wound of entrance in the back of JFK's head, proving that the shots all came from behind, and that the critics are wrong in asserting that the shot came from the front and the right of the car, if only one can accept as mere coincidence that:

1. The Zapruder film shows that JFK was thrust backward and to his left upon impact of the shot in frame 313
2. The Warren Commission does not mention the backward recoil of the body
3. Frames 314 and 315 are inadvertently transposed and misnumbered
4. No one of the 16 personnel at Parkland Hospital involved in the emergency treatment of JFK is able to corroborate the presence of a small wound in the back of the head
5. Greer, Hill, Sibert, and O'Neill do not corroborate the presence of that wound
6. X-rays of the skull have been suppressed
7. The autopsy diagram of the skull (CE 397, Volume XVII page 46) does not show the wound
8. *Face sheet shows it tunneling from right to left*