

Chapter 9

Page 3 Footnote 1

The citation in the Chapter notes is to "WH 354". The volume number has been omitted.

Page 4 paragraph 1 Footnote 3

The citation in the Chapter notes is to WCE XXIV 426 but that citation is unrelated to the text of paragraph 1.

Page 4 paragraph 2 footnote 4

The citation is to WCE XXIV 704 but that citation is unrelated to the text of paragraph 2.

Page 6 footnote 5

This paragraph purports to give a direct quote from the testimony of Albert Guy Bogard but the citation (WH X 354) does not contain such a quotation, although the witness Bogard does make a comment to more or less convey the same meaning.

Page 11 paragraph 2

It was Warren, not Dulles, who tried to prevent the publication of the 26 volumes of Hearings and Exhibits. See Inquest by Epstein, page 24.

Page 18 second footnote last line

It is not true that Hesty and Oswald met on several occasions. In fact, their first meeting was in the Dallas police station at about 3:30 p.m. after the assassination, while Oswald was under interrogation. See 4H 467, Hesty's testimony before the Warren Commission, where Hesty asserts that this was the first time he had ever seen Oswald.

Page 29 footnote, paragraph 2

Here the author gives in exact quotation a CIA cable to Mexican law enforcement authorities but he gives no indication of the source from which he obtained access to that cable. Since he states that the cable was never revealed to the Warren Commission, how did he discover that such a cable was sent and its exact wording?

That information must be provided if the reader is to accept the cable as authentic.

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Chapter 9 (continued)

Page 32 footnotes

On this page we find footnote 16 at the end of the first paragraph, then a jump to footnote 20 (in the asterisked footnote). The citation for footnote 20 is HSCA III 143-144, which is completely unrelated to the author's text.

Page 37 paragraph 1

Here is a second footnote 20; this one does correspond with the citation in the Chapter notes.

Page 37 last line

The citation for footnote 21 (HSCA III 122) does not correspond with the author's text.

Page 42 paragraph 2

Here there is a direct quotation, footmarked 26. The corresponding citation in the Chapter notes is HSCA Report 255. However, the quoted material does not appear on that page of the HSCA Report.

Page 44 paragraph 1

The author refers to "human" handwriting. Is there any other kind?

Chapter 10

Page 2 paragraph 1

I have already commented on the bubbletop and the open windows, under Chapter 3 (page 12 of my comments).

Page 4 footnote

The assertion that an ambulance was assigned to Dealey Plaza to help President Kennedy in the event of an unexpected emergency is not supported by a citation. In all my reading on the assassination, I have never encountered such an allegation.

Chapter 10 (continued)

Page 5 footnote

The reference to the Zapruder film in Chapter 1, pages 26-27 should point to the information in this footnote, e.g., that one copy of the film was available for viewing at the National Archives in 1965 and succeeding years.

Page 7 lines 1 and 2

Connally was hit in the left thigh, not the knee.

Page 8 footnote, last paragraph

Delete "lodged in his knee" and insert "lodged in his left thigh".

Page 15 paragraph 2

A citation should be provided for the assertion that Oswald was arrested for "entering a theater without buying a ticket". This may well be true, but I have no recollection of seeing it in any of the official documentation.

Page 16 footnote

The correct nomenclature is Works Progress Administration.

Page 21 paragraph 1

Craig did not testify before the Commission, but he was deposed by Commission counsel (see 6H page 260 ff.).

Page 22 last paragraph

The correct spelling is "Nichols" (one l)

Page 24 paragraph 2

Change "Just a year before" to "Shortly after".

Page 29 footnote paragraph 2

As previously noted, Dr. Wecht did not have to obtain a court order but received permission to view the autopsy photos and X-rays from Burke Marshall, representative of the Kennedy family. I checked this out personally with Dr. Wecht.

Page 49 paragraph 1

The author refers to the "upward movement of the bullet hole". I assume that he means that during testimony the autopsy surgeon falsely placed the bullet wound higher than it actually was.

Chapter 10 (continued)

Page 50 first sentence

Revise, to read "the bullet entered the Governor's back at the right armpit".

Pages 58-59

As noted earlier, Hesty met Oswald for the first time several hours after the assassination, while Oswald was being interrogated by the Dallas police in the Homicide Office.

Chapter 11

I have no comments on this chapter, pending receipt of the Chapter notes.

Chapter 12

Page 14 paragraph 2

The hypothesis that "Delilah" is an anagram for "A. Hidell" is ingenious and enchanting. It calls to mind the anagramatics of Dr. Renatus Hartogs in his book The Two Assassins, page 147, where Hartogs says:

It is interesting that the name "Alek J. Hidell" contains the same letters as Jekyll-Hyde, taking into account Oswald's poor spelling with an i substituted for the y. Of greater significance than either of these anagrams is the fact that Oswald served in the Marine Corps together with John Rene Heindel, nicknamed "Hidell" and probably called "Hidell" by Oswald. Heindel was a resident of New Orleans. It appears to me that there is more connection between Heindel-Hidell than there is between Delilah-Hidell, or even between Jekyll-Hyde-Hidell. (For documentation on John Rene Heindel, see Accessories After the Fact, pages 191-193.)

Page 19 paragraph 2

In light of the comments just above, it goes too far to say that Delilah was the woman whose name had provided the source for A. Hidell.

Chapter 12 (concluded)

Page 6 of Chapter notes

Footnote 32, last line: There was a total of five and a half hours of viewing time.

Page 38 paragraph 2

On the first line, the correct spelling is Frazier.

Chapter 13

Please see covering letter, which describes the excellence and plausibility of the final chapter.

Title

I believe that Judge Garrison intends to use the title "Coup d'Etat". A book with that title has already been published. It was written by Canfield and Weberman in the 1970s. I would suggest that the title be slightly changed--for example, it might be called American Coup d'Etat or Coup d'Etat in Dallas or some such variation.

Oswald's height

This question, previously commented on and still unresolved, comes up again in the Chapter 7 notes, page 2, note 6, paragraph 3. Now the author postulates a false recording of Oswald's height by the autopsy physician(s), utilizing a CIA "control element in the Coroner's Office". This seems to me to be very far-fetched and best replaced by a statement about the varying heights recorded for Oswald in various documents, leaving his real height in question.

Roger Craig's testimony

In Chapter 11, page 22, paragraph 3, the author states that "three men came running out of the back entrance of the Depository and poured into the station wagon. It took off--headed north on Houston--so fast that one door still was flapping open." The citation is to 6H 266-267. Careful examination of these pages reveals nothing that corresponds with the author's assertion.

Motorcade route

Upon receiving the Chapter 1 notes, I find on page 3 of the notes much of the information under my comments on Chapter 1. This attests to the care taken by the author. However, it is still necessary to report in the text of this chapter that both Dallas newspapers on Tuesday November 19th described the motorcade route as turning from Main onto Houston and then onto Elm.

Chapter 1 Notes

Note 17 states "(To be provided)" but there is no footnote 17 in the text of the chapter.

Supplementary Comments (continued)

Chapter 2 page 12 as revised

In the first paragraph, 9th line, change "Frazer" to "Frazier".

Cause of Oswald's arrest at theater

Please see page 21 of these comments, where I noted a need for a citation for the assertion that Oswald was arrested for "entering a theater without buying a ticket". That assertion appeared in Chapter 10, page 15 paragraph 2.

I had overlooked an earlier reference to the arrest for "going into a theater without buying a ticket", which appears in Chapter 2 page 4 paragraph 1.

Having just received the Chapter 2 notes, I checked the citation, numbered 6; and directing the reader to 7H 37 (testimony of Dallas police officer C.T. Walker). A careful reading of 7H 37 reveals no reference whatever to the supposed reason for the arrest.

However, on 7H 40, the witness (still C.T. Walker) states:
"And we told him that the police officer, that he was under arrest because the police officer, he was suspected in the murder of a police officer."

Consequential corrections should therefore be made in Chapter 2 page 4 paragraph 1; in the Chapter note 6; and in Chapter 10 page 15 paragraph 2.

Supplementary Comments (continued)

Dr. Finck at Robert Kennedy autopsy

Footnote 13 on page 1 of the Chapter 2 notes is not entirely correct. Dr. Neguchi contacted the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology and invited them to send observers to the autopsy. Three observers were sent, one of whom was Dr. Pierre Finck.

Also, there is a note numbered "18" but there is no corresponding footnote 18 in the text (see pages 16-17 of Chapter 2).

Similarly, there is a note numbered 21 but no corresponding footnote number in the text of Chapter 2 (see page 21).

Chapter 14?

Chapter 3 notes, in note 5, refers to "Chapter 14" but there are only 13 chapters in the manuscript.

Also, page 2 of the Chapter 3 notes is missing.

Chapter 3 page 11: The asterisked footnote refers to Chapter note 16 but there is no relationship between the two.

Then, on page 14 paragraph 3, footnote 16 is used a second time. This time it does match the Chapter note 16.
