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Dear Alma:

Thanks very much for the kind note about the pictures. After handing them out, I ended up with a few extras that perhaps some of your family might like to have.

I also enclose some copies about Harold you might like, such as where I donated his books to the University of Kentucky.

Harold and Lil are true American heroes, and I think they are lucky to have such nice relatives. I didn't want to be a pest when I took the pictures, but I knew you all did not get together very often, and I thought they would be fun.

Hope you have a happy and healthy New Year!

Sincerely,

Bill



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# Weisbergs honored at Hood

By JULIA ROBB  
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Hood College conferred an honorary doctor of humane letters degree Sunday on both Harold Weisberg and his wife Lillian Stone Weisberg.

Mr. Weisberg is the author of seven books about the Kennedy assassination and Mrs. Weisberg is his editor and research organizer. She has also indexed his published works.

Hood College President Martha Church told those attending the convocation in Coffman Chapel that the college confers honorary degrees because it recognizes the importance of "role models."

Mr. Weisberg has also donated a collection of more than 300,000 pages of government documents and research papers related to the John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King assassinations, she said.

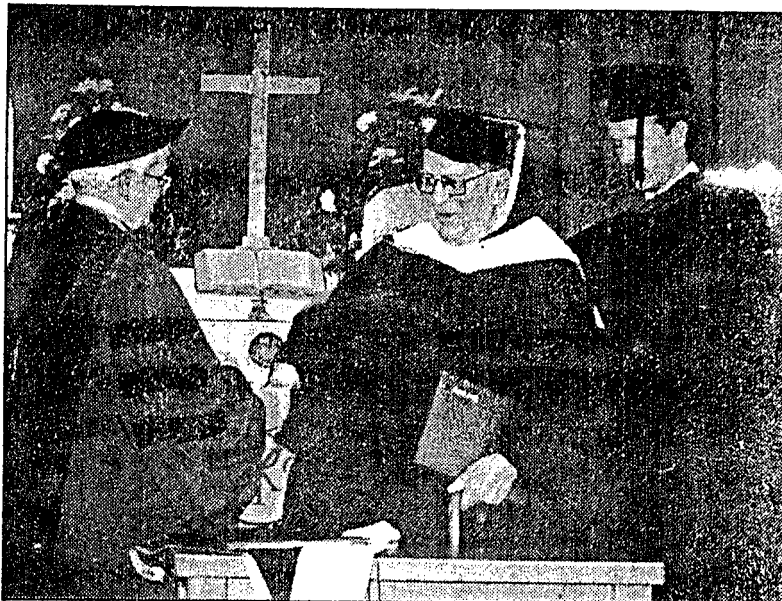
Dr. Gerald McKnight, a Hood history professor who teaches a class on the "politics of assassination," told the packed chapel that the Kennedy assassination was not only a national tragedy, but the single event which changed the way Americans think about their government.

America was transformed and it was not a change for the better, he said.

Because it was such an important event, books on the assassination are a "growth industry," Dr. McKnight said.

But he added that most are flawed by authors who mix facts and hypothesis and believe that "all history is conspiracy," or others who simply have no respect for facts and exploit the subject to gain fame and fortune.

Mr. Weisberg's work, however, has not centered on who killed President Kennedy or why, subjects which are now a "dead zone", but his "research and scholarship" has



Staff photo by Skip Lawrence

JFK assassination researcher Harold Weisberg was awarded an honorary degree for his efforts by Hood College during convocation ceremonies Sunday. From left are Hood College President Martha Church, Mr. Weisberg and Dr. David Hein.

targeted the government's political whitewash, the Warren Commission's falsification of evidence.

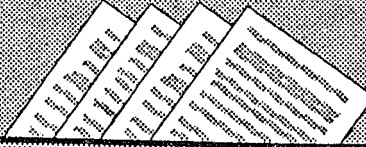
Mr. Weisberg's books have stood the test of time and he is also

important for having used the privacy act more than any other private citizen to gain access to government secrets, said Dr. McKnight.

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## CAMPUS BRIEFS



### Attorney donates rare books on Kennedy assassination

Rare books on the assassination of President Kennedy recently were donated to the UK Libraries by Louisville, Ky., attorney Bill Neichter.

The books, "Whitewash," volumes I-IV, "Oswald in New Orleans," and "Post Mortem," all were written by Harold Weisberg, a former newspaper reporter and U.S. Senate investigator. None currently are commercially available.

Weisberg based his books on some 30 years of research, and each contains a number of citations from the Warren Report, the infamous government study that concluded Kennedy was killed by a lone assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald.

Weisberg donated almost 250,000 pages of his research to Hood College in Frederick, Md.

Neichter criticized many of the published works on Kennedy's assassination for being "speculation and fiction," but he praised Weisberg as "the most well-documented and factual researcher I have seen."

He also encouraged students to compare Weisberg's books with the Warren Report, a copy of which is housed at Margaret I. King Library.

"(Weisberg) makes good arguments that JFK was killed as the result of a conspiracy, and proves his case," Neichter said. He also said Weisberg convincingly argues that Oswald served as a "patsy."

"The FBI, members of the Warren Commission and its staff ignored or overlooked all the evidence of Oswald's innocence."

Neichter donated two sets of the books; one set will be housed in Special Collections, and the other will be available to the public at King Library.