

Dear Dave,

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I want to make a change on page 9 of the chapter "Into and Partly out of the Memory Hole." I hope this reaches you before you can get to that.

and yes, when I finish this I'll put a new ribbon on!

Mrs. Heichter had been more than helpful, including with xeroxes of additional authorities. You may recall that when ^{I suggested that} you were here again you might want to go over the files she has provided.

Copy OK to 4 lines up. Beginning there it should read:

"Originals," she told me, "except by drawing a single line through ~~an~~ error without obliteration to the original text, making the appropriate change, signing it and dating it; or by attaching an amendment to the original document. Originals should not be destroyed ~~by~~." (Citation below, forgot here)

Yet destroying originals is precisely what ^Humes did and boasted about in attributing his destruction of evidence to high motive.

and Specter and Cornwell and their Commission and committee and the staffs of both ^{accepted} accepted the destruction of evidence in the assassination of President Kennedy as normal and proper.

Except for the quote this is as it was.

The quote from her at the top of 10 she says is OK. Now I want to add what follows after the second graf on 10:

One of her ~~authorities~~ authorities for saying that original autopsy materials should never be destroyed is Dr. Bernard Knight, his Forensic Pathology Oxford University Press, New York, 1991, page 12. Knight is also a British barrister.

Another is ~~Em~~ Emanuel Hayt, author of Medicolegal Aspects of Hospital Records. (Physicians Record Company, Berwyn, Ill.) Hayt goes even farther, saying that "A physician who participates in improperly altering a record may be deemed guilty of unprofessional conduct and be subjected to disciplinary action or suspension of license." (Page 36)

^{and} here we have all these ^{silent} government lawyers and doctors who knew that destroying evidence is improper. Or, as lawyers and pathologists should have known and if they did not know they certainly should have learned. ^{of} Hayt also confirms what I said about the impossibility of trying Oswald if these records had been toyed with in any way.

He says, citing what is known to lawyers as "the best evidence rule," that it

requires that where it becomes necessary to prove the contents of a paper, the original must be produced or its absence accounted for. The rule was adopted to prevent fraud or mistakes as to the contents...

(This will have added pertinence when we get to the numerous changes ^{Humes} made in the second handwritten draft of the proctocol, substantive changes.)

In addition to all these government lawyers and ^{doctors} ~~co-ops~~ who were and remain silent, except when they boast of their diligence and conscientiousness, as all the Warren Commission's assistant counsels recently did ^{on January 30, 1992} ~~(add citation)~~ in coast-to-coast press conferences, there are so many in private practise who also preserved silence on knowing of these gross and ~~inexcusable~~ intolerable improprieties.

And now Lundberg, pathologist and editor, and JAMA, which involves the American Medical Association in it, ~~praise~~ actually praise ~~Humes and Boswell for the terrible thing they~~ ^{Humes} for the terrible thing he did - and then lied about, even under oath!

Lundberg and AMA were not content to phony up their medical "news" in their politicization of the JFK assassination. They even held that press conference to get even more attention to their defense of the indefensible, Humes and Boswell and the Warren Report.

all these doctors and lawyers, ~~these~~ pathologists ~~and~~ in particular, and all the many medical writers, with tongues clamped for ~~28~~ 28 years in the face of this destruction of evidence when the President was assassinated!

and still clamped, save for the one noted, when they learned about Lundberg's praise of medicolegal wrongdoing by Humes and Boswell from JAMA and ~~so~~ from the Lundberg press conference.

All these years, all those doctors, lawyers and medical writers, and total silence in the face of terrible wrong.

What has become of us?

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and then the rest of 10 follows. The sleep apnea caught up with me when I'd barely started.

I'll nap and then read and correct this. Best,