Rigged under Frazier

8/30/69

Dear Dick,

Got little reading/correcting done yesterday, so today I'm answering mail while [illegible] read it. I expect to go to town and hope to recall my need for a cleaning rod.

Re your 8/26, page 1: first par- I disagree with your failure to disagree with Frazier on the ejection pattern. There had to be violent ejection to bend the lip, which means a backward ejection pattern, plus whatever deflection ensues. There was a deviation because of the imputed downward nagle of the rifle. Moreover, boxes were moved immediately and none of the police pictures show the arrangement the moment of the shooting. I go into this and your second pa. in WHITEWASH. With a stack of boxes [illegible] (Doyle testimony) or merely with the boxes rearranged before any [illegible] (Studebaker), there is no meaning in any "testing" of ejection pattern [illegible] deflection is interfered with, altered.

It is my belief that with no box used as a rest, the known position of the window [illegible] downward angle, plus the scope, precluded any of the shooting (plus the [illegible] wall thickness - the sill projecting even further). BBC tried to re-enact and couldn't. The Frazier picture of the re-enactment in LIFE shows him without the scope on the rifle [illegible] the window too far open, the camera-mounted pictures also show the window open too far. There is no exact duplication picture in all the Warren evidence. This can be only because it was impossible. If (second par) you concede the possibility of one shot with the boxes as a rest, how account for any time to shift to a different position [illegible] the dent on the box said to be from the rifle? It would destory accuracy.

Par 3, other photos besides Dillards, Example, Willis 12, etc. Also, check [illegible] pictures under Studebaker in WHITEWASH. There are numerous one, all contrdictory, [illegible] by the existing pictures.

[illegible] I've published the relevant figubes save one. Sill 18", [illegible] 7", [illegible] distance from either surface of the inside edge [illegible] the wall may be more than two bicks (18 inches rather than [illegible] brick course, of 20 ". I've just looked at the [illegible] measurement [illegible]ioning o[illegible] horizontally [illegible] however, [illegible] 8".

[illegible] testing. [illegible] expert, [illegible] violent ejection [illegible]. This and [illegible] had to be done, use "normal" force in ejecting? [illegible]....Smaller dents on CEs 544-5 mean [illegible] force.?

[illegible] I've no time to consult panel, second doctors' reports, [illegible] vague description is "thoracic" area. One of two things [illegible] frangible bullet (and why use it there and not in other shots), it [illegible] bone. A non-frangible bullet was used and it also struck bone. The language [illegible] of fragment, eliminating frangible bullets. It is lead. Wecht [illegible] this with him by phone as soon as I could after discovering it, [illegible] to have struck bone, nothing else being able to [illegible] the context of the military bullet. I did not go [illegible] if they were used [illegible] case is a art on

[illegible] Wecht's buddies and he did try.

[illegible] mention of 22s, but appreciate the tip. I referred to [illegible] in comparison with the 30-06s. Are all centerfires like the [illegible]

Par 5. I've never given serious though to mercury fulminate. I tend to [illegible] necessary risks. This may have started with Garrison. [illegible] this and the frangible concept to him. I trust neither. [illegible] on rest of page.

[illegible] 1: Frazier [illegible] you. He refused to see this as proof the [illegible], in DC and in [illegible]. I also said that if a bullet with the [illegible] struck [illegible] or bone they would have marked it-and [illegible] I'd be inclined to think that at that great velocity,

the blood would disappear fast. Might not the tight skin cleanse enough of?

Par 2: If that bullet entered the back, show me how it exited.

Par 3: agreed on your opinion there was to be depth to the probe for it to suggest a dependable angle.

Par 4: there is no way of knowing the character of the edges for that wound was probed by finger, which distorted everything, giving, inevitable, the character of pushing in.

Par 5 John was through this long ago. We discussed it with me two years ago.

6: thanks for explanation. I knew fact, not reason for it.

7: Your interpretation is questionable. On 11/22/23, after examinations, under "results of examinations" , Hoover gives weight at 158.6 grains. We assume this was before removal of samples for spectro? I same plural because I have now learned Frazier also removed a piece of undisclosed size from the core? It he could account for 10% of the missing weight!

Last par; Gary and/or Bud have these slides, either of them being able to provide a cheaper copy. If not, let me know again. I'll also want them, and more, for lectures & tape to be making, offered by an agency.

P. 4: Prague has no photos from Hall's scrap book. This is probably a reference to pictures I got from Harry Howard and turned over to Steve Burton and Fred Newcomb. If what you get is unclear, check with Gary, who has good relations with Fred.

AP's 6/10 story from Miami gives no Simpson but does give Eugene Dembach A total of 12 were initially arrested. Seven were indicted. I asked the DJ for a copy of the indictment, was promised it but never got it. Why do you not ask, of the Internal Security Div, DJ (not FBI), Federal Triangle Bldg, of the US Atty in Miami? Or get someone else to.

Thanks also for tip on impossible suicides. I do not see how they do it.

I'll make a copy for Gary.

Best,