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Trying to catch up
with my vacation.
Thought you should
see this.

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Jane Norris
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Dear Ms. Norris:

Last November 22, you had Harold Weisberg on your show. Weisberg is the dean of researchers of the John F. Kennedy assassination. In fact, he is featured on the documentary "The Men Who Killed Kennedy", which I just heard advertised on your show.

I believe that Weisberg would again like to be on your show. Last year's show was very good, and I have sent Harold some of the newspaper articles about you that have appeared in the Courier.

Weisberg has published another book on the assassination of President Kennedy. I enclose copies of the cover and a book review that I wrote.

I hope that you find time to fit Weisberg into your show next week or so. He was very impressed by your questions, and I think your show has grown to be one of the best talk shows in the nation. You are quite the Devil's Advocate!

His address and phone number are below.

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Sincerely


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cc. Harold Weisberg

Book Review

NEVER AGAIN!
By Harold Weisberg
Carroll & Graf
1995
\$15.95 Paperback

Review by :

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Harold Weisberg knows more about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy than anyone, including the FBI. His many years of Freedom of Information lawsuits, in which he pried previously secret documents from the Federal government and the FBI, give him a unique perspective on the assassination and the Warren Commission.

According to the author, the murder of the President was never properly investigated. After Lee Harvey Oswald's killing by the mentally disturbed Jack Ruby, the FBI decided that they had the right man, and did not follow other leads that might show that Oswald did not act alone. In fact, Weisberg believes that Oswald may have been a complete patsy, as he told reporters the day after his arrest.

One of the little known facts about the Warren Report is that all the members did not agree that there was no conspiracy. In fact, Senator Richard Russell of Georgia wanted his dissent published in the Report, but Chief Justice Earl Warren refused to do so. Kentucky Senator John Sherman Cooper and Russell both disagreed with the Report's conclusion that a single bullet caused all the nonfatal wounds in Governor Connally and the President. In other words, the Warren Commission could not even agree on exactly how many shots were fired that day.

Since only three empty shell casings were found near the rifle alleged to have been used by Oswald, this is one of the unanswered questions about that fateful day. Several witnesses reported they saw bullets hit in front of the motorcade, and one missed bullet injured a bystander slightly.

Although the Warren Report stated that JFK was hit from the rear, in fact the doctors who attended the President stated that he appeared to have an entry wound in the front of his throat. Many witnesses told the FBI and the Commission that they heard shots from the grassy knoll area to the right front of the motorcade. In fact, Abraham Zapruder, who took the famous film bearing his name, said he heard shots from that area, where he was standing with his camera.

President Kennedy was killed during a period of great uncertainty about the future of American military policy. The Cuban Missile Crisis, Vietnam, and China were all the subject of controversy. The failure of the Warren Report to quiet the questions about this murder haunt us to this day.

Many prominent people did not agree that Oswald acted alone. Senator Russell was convinced that JFK was killed as a result of some kind of conspiracy. Surprisingly, Lyndon Johnson also thought that JFK was killed as a result of a conspiracy. Even current Vice President Al Gore has rejected the Warren Report and believes that the death of JFK was due to a conspiracy. But nobody knows how many killers were involved. Weisberg makes a convincing case that there were at least two shooters that day, one from the front and one from the rear.

This book is the third by Harold Weisberg to be published in the last three years. His Selections from Whitewash and Case Open are also accurate accounts of the problems with the Warren Report. Since most of the members of the Commission had full time jobs, such as United States Senator, the staff did most of the work. The FBI did most of the investigation, and failed to follow up leads and information that would contradict the idea that Oswald acted alone. In fact, the FBI did not even interview many of the Dallas police officers that rode in the motorcade.

The whole story of the assassination of President Kennedy may never be known. Weisberg's books are a valuable addition to the information available to the public. In NEVER AGAIN!, he shows how the Commission's own exhibits contradict its conclusion. Anyone who reads this book will never again feel the same way when November 22 comes around.

The reviewer is a Louisville Attorney and Historian.
