

Philadelphia Inquirer, Monday, June 27, 1966, UPI story by Jack V. Fox, from Dallas June 26:

With reference to Edward J. Epstein's claim of alteration of the autopsy report, "was later altered to conform with the single shot theory":

"The counsel for the Commission who conducted most of the investigation into the source of the shots is Arlen Specter, now Philadelphia District Attorney. Specter says he saw the original handwritten report and that no changes were made.

"The fact is, Specter adds, that Epstein has produced no evidence or witnesses on any subject to back up his allegations and has advanced no arguments which cannot be answered and disproved.

"The glaring weakness of Epstein's book is that he has done what he accused the Commission of doing. ... did not go to Dallas to question any witness or talk with any of the doctors who performed the autopsy."

Mr. Specter did not see the original version of the autopsy, which was burned (WHITWASH, pp.183ff, 187). He did see a subsequent handwritten version, on which there were substantive changes (WHITWASH, pp.183ff, 198) and of these he had as little concern as of the burning of such vital historic and legal papers.

I challenge Mr. Specter to address to me and my book, WHITWASH, the same charge of lack of proof he made against Mr. Epstein. If he does not - or if he does and cannot prove it - I ask that he join me in the demand of WHITWASH, for the belated but necessary full and public airing, for the investigation President John F. Kennedy's assassination has not yet had.