

Say Oswald Had Helper To Slay JFK

WASHINGTON (CP) — Did Lee Harvey Oswald have an accomplice who helped kill president Kennedy and wound Texas Governor John Connally in Dallas in 1963?

The writers of two new studies of the tragic events of Nov. 22, 1963, suggest he did—a view counter to that contained in the official verdict handed down by the U.S. investigating commission headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren of the Supreme Court.

Each author cites statements in a five-volume FBI report in support of their theory that Oswald had aid in firing at the presidential car. The FBI version, which was not included in the Warren report, now is in the national archives.

One of the books which takes issue with the official verdict is Inquest, prepared as a master's thesis at Cornell by Edward Jay Epstein. It is to be published shortly, with a foreword by Richard Rovere, Washington correspondent for the New Yorker magazine.

The other, called Whitewash, has been published by Harold Weisberg, a former government employee who now raises poultry in Maryland.

Each attacks the way the Warren commission handled the investigation, in addition to differing with the commission's conclusion that Oswald acted alone.