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QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY MEMORANDUM  
29 Oct 70

Harold:

The reference for the picture reproduced in my 11 Oct 70 letter to Hoch is as follows:

The Winchester- Western Ammunition Handbook (N.Y.; 1964)

It's published by Pocket Books, Inc., 630 Fifth Ave., N.Y., N.Y. 10020. Cost 75¢. Designation is Pocket Book # 75024. It is a first-rate introduction to ballistics; I recommend that you get it.

I am currently in the process of getting other, perhaps better, pictures showing bullet fragmentation. It will take some time, but when I get things you may wish to use, I'll send you copies. In the mean time, the picture in the W-W Handbook is adequate.

Understand about that picture to Hoch that it illustrates a principle, but does not necessarily show what I think happened in JFK's head. The 130-grain ~~x200~~ .270 hollow-point is rather heavier than the bullet which I think hit JFK. When I get pictures showing fragmentation of one of the fast .22 center-fires, you will see better what I have in mind. The .22 c-f's weigh ~~between~~ about 50-55 grains, move much faster than the .270, and fragment

more severely, especially on hard substances. If I get the right picture, one showing the effect of a fast .22 ~~6-f~~ fired through masonite into gelatin, you will see true "dust" concentrated just behind the entrance hole, very close to it.

I have read and re-read many times that 11 Oct letter to see if it can be faulted. It can't. I still think it is absolutely solid and unequivocal evidence ~~of~~ that the shot originated from ~~the front~~ the right-front.

Paul has still not answered. I hope he is actively trying to de-activate Hoch's Hoax, but I suspect rather that he is out trying to see if he can fault my letter. That's fine, because he can't; when he knows that, maybe he'll come back to good sense.

Still,

*Dick*

11/2/70

Dear Dick,

Time crunch here oppressive. Just finished last of in-  
and proofs and about 350-400 more pp about to be mailed. Mean-  
while, back on the Fensterwald ranch, I'm having to do the law  
work, because he quit and there is no choice. Of course, his publi  
posture is that he is handling the suits. I have an answer to a  
government answer to go over-and hope it is proper and the right  
approach and another one I'm to file to finish preparing.

Hence my brevity.

Clips on FBI-Karpis great. I'll use that in my appearance

I'll try and remember the handbook when I'm in DC and at  
a bookstore. Thanks for the citation. There is no hurry on the  
frag. stuff. ...No new word on or from Koch. There is no real ans-  
wer to your ballistics stuff, which probably accounts for his fail-  
ure to ask your opinion when I first suggested it to him.

Gary has been pretty busy, too, I presume, with the re-  
opening of school. Also AR.

Again, thanks.

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