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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

As one of the original ones who never accepted the contents of the Earl Warren Jokebook, I have read your delineations with great interest, along with those of Lane, Jones, Garrison, Manchester, Bishop, etc.

As an assassination buff I have mulled over the multitudinous facets of this possibly-soon-to-be-exposed conspiracy, and I may have stumbled upon something.

Scenario I Oswald was hired by H.L. Hunt, or the hoodlums dispossessed from their lush pickings in Havana, or whoever, for the ostensible purpose of shooting Kennedy, either to wound or to kill. As has been established, there were two or more Oswald look-alikes doing their thing, at the gun range, shopping for a car, etc. Their existence was not known to Oswald. Further unknown to him, his 1st shot was to be the signal for the other killers to open fire. There had to have been at least one more rifleman, possibly 3. They were to complete what Oswald unwittingly set in ~~mind~~ motion. (He did state, "I'm just a patsy"). The original plan called for Oswald to leave the rifle deliberately, where it would be found. The tracing to him of same, or another one, via the Alex Hidell/Klein's Sporting Goods route, was/is probably a routine bit of CIA fakery. (I'm personally convinced that the CIA, if not the actual instigators of the plot, furnished the "mechanics" and expertise. Kennedy had been a bad boy in aborting the Bay of Pigs invasion, and The Mob, ITT, US Sugar and the rest of the capitalist scum who had ~~been~~ battering upon Cuba for a century wanted him removed. Their only logical choice was to murder him...he was a strong-willed man so they couldn't browbeat him, and you can't bribe a millionaire---ergo, you have no other choice, given the situation.

But to return to Dallas. As I believe both Lane and Garrison established, at the time of the killing a light plane was observed idling at a nearby airfield, with two men around it, as tho waiting for a passenger. One of these men was probably Ferrie, who was subsequently silenced forever the same way several dozen other people have been. Oswald was possibly previously introduced to Ferrie, or whoever, and told that he would be flown away safely following the killing/wounding. The higher-ups then pulled a double-cross, and ordered Tippet to kill Oswald while ostensibly apprehending him in accordance with the police broadcast. Oswald may have caught wise in a flash, made an instant decision and killed Tippet instead. (To further confuse the issue, perhaps an Oswald-double did the job,

as a necessary bit of cover-up over the involvement of the Dallas Police Dept., and they were involved. Neither Wade nor Curry have told all they know. In connection with these meanderings, it's well to bear in mind that the police broadcast for a pickup of a suspect answering Oswald's general description went on the air many minutes before the PD could possibly have gotten that description, if it wasn't a previously set-up affair.

Some random thots; Oswald may have fired one shot, as per the instructions as given to him. Then when the fusillade that he unwittingly unleashed let go all around him, he hid the rifle, as he was supposed to do and got the hell out of there, meanwhile wondering what the hell was going on. The several spent cartridge cases allegedly found at the scene, could have been planted by someone who had Oswald under surveillance to see that he did as he was told. Also, any of the many Dallas cops conducting the "search" could have planted them, with the same ease that the famous 399 slug was left to be "found". As I ~~presume~~ you know, said cases had been worked thru the mechanism of a rifle several times, as shown by FBI lab tests, which were probably accurate and impartial since at that time the lab technicians didn't know what they were supposed to ascertain or not ascertain. Commander Hume and the others at the autopsy were, of course "reached" and told what to say.

A possibility of the firing order at the killing: Killer #1, anticipating Oswald's shot, (or fearful that it might never come) opened up from the knoll with the original throat shot, then Oswald hit Connally, either by accident or design, then Killer #2 gave the head shot that slammed Kennedy backwards and definitely killed him; this 3rd shot also came from the knoll, either from a 2nd gunman, or a reload by #1. If he was using an automatic rifle, the time factor is ~~is~~ negated. And both #1 and #2 would logically use the finest weapons available; they need only be of a similar caliber (.30) to that of the piece of schlock with which they set up Oswald. If they did their jobs reasonably well, there would be no significant pieces recoverable for a ballistics analysis.

I submit the above thots for whatever they're worth.

Regards, and keep up the good work. (And always get somebody else to open your mail and start your car!

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Dear Mr. Coursell,

The reverse side explains why I can't reply in more detail. You indicate having suffered the influence of a complete fakery, the Hugh McDonald book. It is, from beginning to end, total fraud.

For the most part your scenario does not fit the established fact. This is an enormously complicated subject made more so by the initial determination not to investigate the assassination but to fabricate a coverup. If you order Post Mortem, it opens with the proof. The purpose was to take in concerned people like you and to get the federal agencies off the hook.

In Post Mortem you will find, contrary to your scenario, that it is impossible for Oswald to have fired any shot. Go back to the Carolyn Arnold part of Photographic Whitewash, which you have, read the Bowley affidavit in Post Mortem, and you will see that the Commission suppressed proof that Oswald was and could not have been at the scene of either crime.

Thanks for the time you took. Have a happy holiday and a good year.

Best, HM 12/22/75