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The Dark Side Of The "Critical Community"

By G. J. Rowell

"And, as a staff investigator for the House Select Committee on Assassinations, I was shocked to learn that the C.I.A. had infiltrated almost a dozen covert operatives into Garrison's staff of investigators. So Garrison was not only attacked from the outside, but also subverted from within." - Gaeton Fonzi

"We must discredit and disband Livingstone..." - OPERATION FIREHEL

Since knowledgeable researchers have known for years that evidence of a conspiracy and cover-up in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy has existed since November 22, 1963, - and the Government and the Press has for the most part refused to acknowledge the serious discrepancies in the evidence - you have to assume that the case has been co-opted by those responsible for the murder of JFK. And if those persons could plot the murder and the cover-up, as well as destroy the Garrison investigation - would it not be reasonable to assume that they also could have co-opted and controlled the "Critical Community" as well?

For many years there have been charges and countercharges of various big name researchers or critics being agents planted by the plotters to manipulate, control and otherwise subvert any serious research. And for years I have taken these charges with a grain of salt, often joking, "That the only person that I am positively sure isn't an agent is myself - and sometimes I'm not too sure about myself."

Well, with the receipt of a document named OPERATION FIREHEL, (aimed at discrediting **High Treason 2** author Harrison Edward Livingstone) perhaps, just perhaps, it is time to take a serious look at the possibility of operatives within the research community.

Researchers have known for some time now that the CIA has supplied information, ghost writers, and subsidized books to be fed to the gullible public. What we don't know, however, is exactly what books the CIA used for their massive propaganda effort. Could any of these books be on the John F. Kennedy assassination? What better way to control the legitimate research community? Except for rare television appearances, and local lectures - most of the information spread to the world as a whole comes from the best selling volumes of a few big name critics.

James DiEugenio featured a top secret CIA document in the appendix of his new book **Destiny Betrayed: JFK, Cuba and the Garrison Case** that was the working plans for an attack on the critics of the Warren Report. Lest you think that it is only the CIA that takes this type of clandestine action against those in the forefront of critical research, I am reproducing an "Eyes Only" document being circulated to select persons within the research community. I received this document with the name of the person to whom this was addressed cut out. Although it reads like a poor man's James Bond novel, it has the potential to do a great deal of harm to Mr. Livingstone.

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Exhibit A - OPERATION FIREHEL Document

FOR EYES ONLY

07 February 1993

To:

OPERATION FIREHEL

Mr. :

The nature of this letter is confidential, and for your eyes only; the source of it is not important. I would like to make you aware of an underground movement in the research community that now encompasses over a dozen key players in the research world designed for the specific purpose of discrediting Harrison Edward Livingstone for his negative impact on the credibility and integrity of the research community. Livingstone's most recent escapades in Dallas and New York involving his attacks on key critics and harassment of others by an underground network known only as the "Baltimore Cops" has prompted many to take action to preserve the well being of our community and our commitment to the truth.

In the past, Livingstone has operated as some pseudo dictator of the critics circle having attempted to buy his way into professional relationships, as well as attempting to discredit others who have ongoing research and scholarship in the works. In addition, a thorough factual review of High Treason II has been conducted by an independent law firm for accuracy and integrity, and the results have been seemingly overwhelming that Livingstone has fabricated, and in some cases even distorted the truth of previous actions of others and their works.

I don't know how aware you are of the personal attacks Livingstone has waged against individuals and the personal campaigns he has waged against critics and their families. He has been the direct source of rumors that encompass pure fabrication of the credibility of such distinguished members of the community that include personal attacks against Robert Groden, David Lifton, Jim Marrs, Harold Weisberg, Mark Lane, and I suspect even yourself.

The collection of individuals that I represent, herein referred to as FIREHEL, have carefully compiled all this information as well as other personal information about Livingstone's personal history that are simply shocking as a collection. I assure you that all this information is accurate, and has been confirmed by literally dozens of reliable sources stretching from Silver Springs, Maryland to Dallas, to New York. Only now that we are 100 percent positive of the claims we have made against Livingstone are we prepared to take action.

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I should also make you aware that Livingstone's lavish visits to Dallas, including first class accomadations and side deals cut with fellow cohorts, has led us to question the brigin of Livingstone's financial backing; we believe he may be an agent funded by the government and designed to destroy the research community.

I would like to ask you to join our efforts and become part of FIREHEL as we prepare to go public with our information. We now have set the time and place of the release of this information, and would like you to offer any additional information that might assist us in reaching our goal of disbanding Livingstone from the community. Once you confirm your loyalty, I will provide you with copies of all our information and sources. I will be contacting you sometime in March and ask that you seriously consider whether or not you can afford to be the next personal target of Livingstone.

It is imperative that you are prepared to participate by the next time I contact you, as we are considering presenting this information to the community at the Chicago Conference April 2, 1993.

The wrath of this negative force in our community has delivered seemingly unrepairable blows to not only some individuals, BUT ALL OF US. We must discredit and disband Livingstone before he is allowed to continue his efforts against the community as a whole. In addition, the upcoming anniversary of the assassination has allowed many critics to produce scholarly and accurate work that now is threatened by the efforts of Livingstone as he is close to infiltrating the networks set up in the Northeast and Dallas that have worked so hard to complete these works.

We have also received word from numerous reliable sources that Livingstone is now working on High Treason III and is attempting to discredit many who have worked hard to establish themselves and their findings.

To confirm receipt of this memorandum, in the next few weeks I will provide you with a Western Union account number that contains five dollars cash and will be accessible only through the password FIREHEL. Once this money is withdrawn off Western Union, I will take that as notification of your loyalty and will contact you directly after that point.

Again, I can not stress the severity and urgency of our underground to succeed, and how important your support will be. Please do not share any information contained in this letter with anyone, and if you have contact with Livingstone I suggest you sever them immediately as you could easily be construed as a Livingston supporter, and that could be unfortunate . . .

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* HOTSEAT INTERVIEW *

HARRISON EDWARD LIVINGSTONE

"There is a smoke screen erected to prevent us from getting close to those who might know something about the actual plot's continuing cover-up. Those witnesses are in Dallas, and there is a wall both of silence and of noise there to prevent us from seeing what did happen and what is happening. The Kennedy case is like an exclusive poker game, and if you can't get in that particular game, you have to start your own or not play at all. Any other games threaten the big one, and they will mess with you once you are in their territory. That tells you that you might be on the right track. When you see the provocateurs among us...stirring up hatred and fear...you can bet there is an operation in place. I have come to the frightening realization that much of the better known research community, a.k.a. "Critical Community", is an operation of some kind and has been both co-opted and is co-opting the case." - Harrison Edward Livingstone in *Killing the Truth: Deceit and Deception in the JFK Case*

G. J. ROWELL: *The Investigator* is pleased to present an exclusive interview with Harrison Edward Livingstone, author of *High Treason*, *High Treason 2* and *Killing the Truth*. Welcome to the Hotseat Mr. Livingstone. You seem to be driven in your quest to expose the truth about the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. Why have you allowed yourself to be consumed by such passion?

HARRISON EDWARD LIVINGSTONE: The bottom line of my passion for trying to expose the truth in the assassination of President Kennedy has to do with an intense personal identification with Kennedy when he was President. We were raised during the horror of World War II and the specter of atomic war terrorizing everyone every minute, and nothing after that lifted the spirits of the nation until Kennedy was elected. He came to mean so much to so many around the world. I responded to him because he was the embodiment of a spirit which transcended our lives. The hope that he represented was genuine and not the empty words of any politician. His style and grace in itself lifted the spirit, like art. America promptly began to change for the better, and this had an intense meaning for me as I saw and lived that change. But those very changes antagonized others who could not live with it, and they killed him, killing hope in us too, as we watched the retrogression in the years that followed. I saw that there was a vastly important political and historical struggle that then had to be waged to expose the truth, and since I felt so close to him, I undertook to bring this out. I've never understood why others who were far closer to him than I have remained silent. I still feel intensely the wound of his death, and I'm like a son who has his father murdered and who personally undertakes to find and prosecute the perpetrators.

I'm also an artist, and passion was always my nature, so one can be consumed in this life

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by grand passions, and in the process have great achievement. There are those cold blooded people who denigrate passion, and certainly passion without reason can be dangerous, but that is not what is going on here. I believe my passion for resolving this case is the same obsession any good detective or investigator has for uncovering the truth. But I question the motives of some other prominent people in our research.

ROWELL: Could you please tell us a little bit about your encounter with John F. Kennedy during your college years. Did you sense that you were in the company of a truly great man?

LIVINGSTONE: My short beers during my college years with Kennedy and being in the same room with him during Senatorial hearings, shaking his hand in receiving lines at the old Emerson Hotel in Baltimore touched me so that I would never forget it. Yes, the first time you were in his presence, you felt his magnetism, or his aura, as some would call it. While teaching the SAT "superkids" undergraduates at Harvard, I had entire class rooms filled with people who had such brain power that the room was filled with electricity and we all felt it and were spurred on by it. Kennedy was like that. You knew he was special and a great man as soon as he spoke. You knew that he was intensely human, fallible, and vulnerable at the same moment. People in this work lose sight of the vulnerability and fallibility of heroes, that their feet are always made of clay, and so we have to expect that, and give thanks for what is wonderful and achieving in their life.

Many attempts were made to slander Ulysses S. Grant to President Abraham Lincoln, and get rid of him, but Lincoln would say, "Yes, I know he drinks, but he wins battles." Grant went on to be President.

ROWELL: In **High Treason 2**, which reached **The New York Times** bestseller list, you leave no doubt that you have very little use for Oliver Stone's **JFK** motion picture. Do you find it a little bit ironic, in that like Mr. Stone, you are now being attacked by various people in the research community over your current work in progress?

LIVINGSTONE: There is a major difference between the kinds of secret slander and attack I have experienced for years now from some leading researchers, and the sort of criticism Stone underwent for his work. I believe in peer review, just as the American Medical Association states for its articles in JAMA (which, by the way, did not apply for in-house articles written by Dennis Breo in 1992.) I submit my chapters to the appropriate people. I doubt that there is not a chapter I have written that isn't given to a number of people to edit and correct or comment on. I have editors after that and have to take a lot of crap from them. Oliver Stone invited criticism the moment he started hyping his **JFK to the public** in advance of release. He did not have any right whatsoever at that point to be left alone.

I have always invited criticism and learn by it. In fact, my new book, **Killing the Truth: Deceit and Deception in the JFK Case**, reverses some of the things that I believed when I trusted some of the leaders of this research. Now I listen to myself and not them, and the countless researchers out there who often know a lot more than the leaders, but who are being kept down and not heard from. You will find as many of them, the unknown ones, as I can put in my books.

But to spread stories that I was an ex-convict, a child molester, a murderer, a destroyer of property and all the rest of the terrible stories that two critics have spread for years is abhorrent

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and criminal. And they will pay for it. They are paying for it. Every time they have come at me they have paid a price. They were too used to push-overs whom they could more easily intimidate. These people do not know the difference between defamation and criticism. They think that if someone criticizes their work (and the majority do) then that gives them a green light to destroy a researcher's reputation in the community with false stories, or falsely slanted stories.

The truth is that most of these people have some pretty terrible things to hide about their lives, and they are in the business of making out opponents as having the same character as themselves. I have never known people like some of these, but most of the researchers have no idea what these people are really like, and that they have been taken over by intelligence operatives. There is a major private intelligence operation in this research community. After all, very big money is involved and at stake. We have all been suckered.

ROWELL: You have previously stated that your newest book, **Killing the Truth**, will not deal so much with the medical evidence, but, will focus upon the fraud and cover-up that has been perpetrated upon the American public by some of the various "Big Name" Researchers. You have indicated that you have managed to penetrate some of the highest levels in the Dallas based conspiracy. Would you care to comment on this?

LIVINGSTONE: My new book, **Killing the Truth**, remains primarily focused on the medical evidence. I have a lot that is new, including the historic Diana Bowron interviews, drawings and letters. Two more letters came from her last night. Last night I talked to Chuck Crenshaw for more than an hour. (I regret to say that he has had another dangerous stroke and one whole side of his body is effected). I have developed teams of doctors to analyze and refute the JAMA fabrications. Unlike one researcher, an otherwise astute presenter of the issues, I sign and carefully cite my work, so I must have it carefully cited and backed up.

But there are probably four parts to the book, which has major chapters dealing with ballistics, acoustics, the films and other physical evidence. There are chapters on the various lawsuits in the case, three of which are medical and in part based on my work. There is the Texas portion of the book which deals with the conspiracy, and finally there is the material about this research community and how it conducts its affairs.

I would not have written about the latter, which had nothing to do with the book which was stimulated a year ago by JAMA's articles, but at that time I became a target of two other critics, and having already had enough of the first two critics, I began to ask questions about some of these people. As more of them began to interfere in my investigation of evidence for my book, and prevent me from speaking or presenting my findings anywhere with these secret slanders, I began to more formally investigate the leadership of the critical community. What I have found is putrid beyond words, and will actually be published in a future spin-off volume some of us are preparing now, to be published by my own company.

After all, many of these people have a government background and refuse to reveal much about themselves.

ROWELL: What do you find to be the biggest obstacles in the search for the truth in your investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy?

LIVINGSTONE: The biggest obstacles in my investigation are other researchers who get to a witness before me and burn me to them. "Don't talk to him" they say. Everybody knows that I

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am now the primary medical researcher, with almost everybody connected to the medical evidence talking to me, and so I am a grave threat when I come to Dallas with several police officers on vacation, working in this investigation to talk to important people masked by the smoke screen some researchers have out there, so that we keep going round and round with Jean Hill and some of the other over inflated non-entities in the case. The important people they have been hiding have been dying off.

Some of these critics are setting up an assassination research tourist business in Dallas, and I'm sick of it. There has been such extensive mind control at work in this research that it has made it very difficult for the inexperienced to get past the guidance of those leading it, see what has to be done, and do it on their own. We have been controlled by the "leaders." It is time for them to be overthrown. They have held this case up for thirty years when it could have been solved. What we got was massive misdirection...especially since the Warren Commission was created by Lyndon B. Johnson and [it] did the work of the Texas conspirators.

Fraud and misrepresentation has always been the name of the game with the some of the leaders of this research, and most of all, to get people off the track of the real issues, such as forgery. Co-option, and a classic FBI style COINTELPRO operation is the name of the game.

ROWELL: I know that at this point, this question may be a wee bit premature, given that the first draft of **Killing the Truth** has just been submitted to your publishing house - do you intend to write any more books on the assassination of President Kennedy, or do you feel that perhaps it is time to move on to other projects?

LIVINGSTONE: There is a fourth volume already in existence which I am editing and creating. It mostly including appears and compendiums created by other researchers, and is intended to be a tool for researchers. It was planned as an appendix for **Killing the Truth**, but it is already a book. I would say now that there will be a fifth book, a narrative, since so many witnesses are now coming forward to me, and if the State of Maryland moves, into the case formally (it has concurrent jurisdiction), as I expect it to, you can expect arrests and other action, as that is a story for me to write. We now have quite a bag of accessories after the fact from the research community alone, who have modified and misrepresented the evidence and taken money which tracks back to the conspiracy. All this is the subject of a fourth narrative by me. But I hope to get back to my other work as well. I have now built such a large staff and a huge team of researchers, that I think I can safely undertake other work and still go on with this. It was fortunate that my public break with the Old Guard among this bunch acted as a call to arms for so many who then literally flocked to my banner in this rebellion to overthrow these people. I am rather desperate to finish some of my artistic work, though, on a personal note.

ROWELL: Do you feel that we are any closer to discovering the true facts behind the assassination of President Kennedy? Do you feel that the whole truth will ever come out in our lifetime?

LIVINGSTONE: We have in fact discovered many of the true facts behind the assassination, and I think that I have distilled much of that in my new book. I think there is now a chance that much of the truth will come out, that some people will come forward with verifiable information about the conspiracy itself when they see my new book. But there will always be a mystery about it, and there will always be doubt about what we think we are hearing.

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Random Thoughts On The Third Decade Research Conference

By G. J. Rowell

...Congratulations are in order for Professor Jerry D. Rose, Charles Drago and George Michael Evica for producing a first class research conference in Providence, Rhode Island at the Omni Hotel (located appropriately enough in Kennedy Plaza) from June 18 - 20, 1993. Special thanks also go to lovely Barbara Rose for all of the hard work that she did to make the conference such a wonderful success.

...Professor Rose took many by surprise when he announced that this would be the last **Third Decade** research conference. I know I breathed a sigh of relief when he said that at the end of the third decade in November 1993, his research journal would become **The Fourth Decade**. I personally prefer the one on one interaction of Professor Rose's conferences over the multimedia glitz of some of the recent commercial conferences.

...Charles Drago opened the proceedings by declaring that we no longer have to concentrate on proving a conspiracy in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. He declared that conspiracy is a proven historical fact and we now have to turn our attention toward seeking justice for the slain President.

...My favorite lady, the delightful Joanne Braun finally made good on her promise of two years ago. After the 1991 Fredonia, N.Y., **Third Decade** research conference she promised to write an article on the "Two Casket Affair", and with a little assist from George Michael Evica, she gave an excellent verbal presentation on her extended research into David Lifton's two casket theory.

...The second **Third Decade** conference was a little more subdued than the first one in Fredonia without the presence of author Harrison Edward Livingstone and his ability to spark a controversial conversation, as evidenced by the following from the first conference - "...The winner for the most bizarre question asked, was coupled with the most bizarre answer given - Harrison **High Treason** Livingstone to Monte **The Rather Narrative** Evans: "Have you ever killed anyone?" After a couple seconds of stunned silence, Evans replied, "I don't remember."

More than one person in attendance expressed the thought that he certainly would have enlivened the Providence proceedings. Harrison was taking a well deserved rest after working nonstop for the past year on his new book **Killing The Truth**.

...Former Air Force Intelligence Major Mike Sylwester was on hand to give a presentation on the possible doctoring of the infamous Zapruder film. What is even more intriguing though is Mike's work in progress **The Hole That Disappeared From the Back of President Kennedy's Head** which features, among other interesting developments, an intriguing look at Jack Ruby's Communist connections.

...Want to play a quick game of Name The Researchers? Which researcher's father actually wrote one of those fake JFK is alive stories for a supermarket tabloid? Which researchers, while crossing the street after lunch, got caught up in the Lesbian & Gay Pride Parade in downtown

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Providence? Which researcher, in the midst of a pleasant Italian dinner, did a superb rendition of Judy Garland singing "Clang, Clang, Clang Went The Trolley"?

...Over the years the assassination research community has made a remarkably concerted and successful assault upon the government cover-up. You would never guess that we would have been so decisive if you had the opportunity to observe a group of researchers trying to decide where to go for dinner.

...W. Anthony Marsh brought with him several important photographic discoveries. One a photograph of Secret Service Agent Clint Hill, clinging to the speeding death limo on the way to Parkland Memorial Hospital, which shows that it was Hill's leg sticking over the side of the limousine and not the fatally wounded President's leg. (Ulric Shannon pointed out to me that this photograph was featured in a double page spread in the long out of print **There was a President**, Ridge Press, Random House, New York, 1966, p. 8-9) The second photograph Marsh had shows that Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson's Secret Service followup car had the door open on it before the motorcade arrived in Dealey Plaza. Which proves that LBJ's Secret Service protectors were not reacting instantaneously to the sound of shots in the deadly Dealey Plaza ambush as previously thought. The third and most important photograph that Marsh found is an extremely rare photograph of the Grassy Knoll shortly after the assassination. It was taken by the White House photographer Cecil Stoughton from a press car in the motorcade as it passed by Mr. and Mrs. William Newman as they lay prone on the grass. Directly behind Mr. and Mrs. Newman is the corner of the infamous picket fence. This photograph should be a prime candidate for computer analysis. Excellent work Anthony!

...If you happen to find yourself at the T. F. Green Airport, while on the way in or out of Providence, R.I., be sure to stop at the Roger Williams Restaurant and Lounge for a delicious J.F.K. Burger (features American cheese. Only \$5.75.) I am having a hard time figuring out if this is supposed to be an honor or whether this is just plain offensive. Surely it cannot be as offensive as murdering a President.

...Andy Winiarczyk from **The Last Hurrah Bookshop**, 937 Memorial Avenue, Williamsport, PA 17701, (717) 327-9338, had a fine selection of recent releases and hard to find older volumes on hand to purchase. One of the advantages of purchasing books from Andy and his lovely wife Linda is that many of the books are signed by the authors. And as a special treat for his customers, Andy obtained the rights from Harold Weisberg to Xerox Weisberg's extremely rare **Oswald In New Orleans** to sell for \$30.00 each (plus \$1.75 for postage). If you don't already have a copy, this may be your only chance to obtain this valuable resource.

...While on his way to the Providence conference by train, Ulric Shannon found himself in the New London, Connecticut train station at 4:00 a.m. Much to his surprise he found that the station contained an office of **Bolt Beranek and Newman Inc.**, one of the firms hired by the House Select Committee on Assassinations for their acoustical studies. It's a small world indeed.

...Robert D. Morningstar made an unscheduled appearance and gave an intriguing presentation on the splices made to the Zapruder film. He also revealed that he had discovered what he believes to be "vapor trails" from the bullets fired at JFK.

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...In his presentation "Radicalisms: A Manifesto for the New Conspirators", Charles Drago implored us to distance ourselves from the UFO type conspiracy crowd to maintain a degree of credibility. After reading the newspaper coverage of this conference (page 21), it was apparent to me that someone had clearly dropped the ball by inviting the **Paranoia** magazine people to attend.

...I had the distinct pleasure of meeting Mr. Walter Graf, a fine gentleman and one of the most knowledgeable researchers on the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

...It was great to renew old friendships and create new ones. It was also great to be able to question the various book authors that were present (George Michael Evica, Charles Drago, R. B. Cutler, Gaeton Fonzi, Monte Evans) and get answers directly from the "horse's mouth".

...Traveling farthest to attend - John Gooch, Metairie, LA; Forrest Preece, Austin, TX; and from Pflugerville, TX, Richard Bartholomew, who gave a superb presentation on the "Possible Discovery of an Automobile Used in the JFK Conspiracy". This presentation alone was worth the price of admission.

...Thanks go to artist Randy Weisbin for the excellent portraits that she sketched at the conference (which are featured on the back cover of this issue). She also brought an item to my attention that she thought deserved further research. After our conversation she decided that she would pursue the research herself. If she is as talented in the writing and research department as she is as an artist, she should have a very great first article.

...Professor Jerry D. Rose is offering a 200 page bound volume of the papers presented at this conference for \$20. For copies of the "Proceedings" contact **The Third Decade**, State University College, Fredonia, NY 14063.

Papers presented:

- "Radicalisms: A Manifesto for the New Conspirators" - Charles Drago
- "Eyewitness Testimony, Memory and Assassination Research" - Dennis Ford and Mark S. Zaid
- "Conspiracy is Not a Fact" - Kenneth A. Rahn
- "Research 'Energies' -- One-Sided or Harmonized?" - James R. Folliard
- "The Surrounding Silence" - George Michael Evica
- "Dance of the Railroad Men" - Jerry D. Rose
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WHO KILLED JFK?

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■ More than 1,000 books have been written covering five different explanations of Kennedy's assassination, and more are on the way.

By C. EUGENE EMERY JR.
Journal-Bulletin Staff Writer

PROVIDENCE — Who killed President John F. Kennedy 30 years ago? Spend enough time with the assassination buffs meeting at the Omni Biltmore this weekend and you may find yourself asking: Who didn't?

More than 60 people, most of whom are convinced Lee Harvey Oswald was not the lone gunman (if he was there at all), are immersed in a three-day conference to explore what they believe really happened that day in Dallas.

Respected scientists may have gathered an impressive body of evidence showing that Kennedy was killed by two bullets fired from behind.

But these folks say they can make an even better case showing that multiple gunmen with multiple shots and multiple motives carried out a plot to murder the president.

"Conspiracy in the murder of John Fitzgerald Kennedy is historical fact," said Providence author Charles R. Drago, one of the organizers of the meeting.

The gathering comes in the wake of an unsuccessful plea to the survivors of former Texas Gov. John Connally seeking permission to remove bullet fragments from the body of Connally, who was wounded in the assassination.

Conspiracy buffs say if a chemical analysis of the fragments doesn't

match the chemistry of the bullet that supposedly went through Kennedy's neck, it would prove that at least one other gunman was involved. If the fragments weigh too much, it would also show that another bullet was fired at the Kennedy motorcade.

A family spokesman called the request "an appalling attempt to capitalize on Governor Connally's death to gain publicity for worn-out theories." Connally died Tuesday and was buried Thursday.

5 theories, 1,000 books

There are five major theories about who killed Kennedy, said speaker John McLoughlin. They focus on the role of the Mafia, the CIA, a group of Cubans, Communists or members of the military-industrial complex.

McLoughlin will argue in a lecture today that it was a combination of the groups.

"We're going to find that the groups that brought Kennedy to Dallas and had him killed had similar motivations," predicted author George Michael Evica.

One speaker said he didn't think the murderers stopped with Kennedy.

James R. Follard of Newport said Robert Kennedy was probably killed to protect the assassins. The same group may have murdered Martin Luther King Jr. and then become involved in Watergate and the Reagan administration. The links may look like coincidences, he said, but "I believe there are no coincidences."

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"made microsurgical incisions to camouflage their mutilation of the film with 'plastic surgery.'"

Morningstar said his analysis has revealed:

- On one blurry frame, a clear spot resembling a speck of dust was probably some sort of talisman hanging from a tree; a bullet from that location was fired at Kennedy.

- Scratchlike marks on various frames that are actually bullet tracks from shots fired from three different buildings. Other scratches were intentionally added to draw attention away from those tracks.

- Dallas police officer J. D. Tippit, shot after Kennedy, was killed so his brain could be removed, sent to Washington and presented as Kennedy's brain, all in an attempt to hide evidence of the president's multiple head wounds.

Morningstar also argued that a police officer murdered after the assassination was killed by one of the gunmen who killed Kennedy because the assassins "needed a body they could doctor" to cover up the conspiracy.

The conference even had a drink created in its honor called "the grassy knoll," named after the place where a second gunman supposedly stood when he shot at Kennedy. It's made with at least six shots of liquor, and no chaser.

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The various theories have spawned an estimated 1,000 Kennedy assassination books, 300 of which are still in print, McLoughlin estimated.

At yesterday's conference, you could select among scores of books, or spend \$34.95 for a "JFK Assassination Time-Line Poster," or pick up the first issue of *Paranola* magazine, "published four times a year by paranoids."

The magazine is based in Cranston, said assistant editor Joan D'Arc, who believes the limousine driver actually killed the president. Among other theories promoted by D'Arc (who won't give her real name): aliens (as in space aliens) "may have ousted Nixon in '72."

Film doctored

The featured speaker Friday night was Robert Morningstar, a computer specialist from New York who says that the famous Zapruder film showing Kennedy's murder "is a total fabrication."

He said portions were cleverly cut out, artificial frames were added, and the people responsible

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Dear Dave,

I appreciate those pages from The Investigator (UGH!) very much, as I will anything else like it quoting Livingstone.

I deduce from it that the publisher would not go for the most outrageous of that sickness and that Harry is going to publish it himself.

Of all the irrationality you sent I like best that solution which has Tippit shot in Dallas so his ~~head~~^{brain} can be stolen and sent to DW to substitute for JFK's!

And that was a scholarly paper Evica or Drago arranged for!

If you say a word about Livingstone be prepared for what you cannot begin to imagine and it will be endless.

You, too, will then be part of conspiracies and you also will be dedevilled.

Thanks and best wishes,

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Dear Mr. Weisberg,

I have enclosed the article from The Investigator that I mentioned in my last note to you. Sorry I wasn't clearer as to its nature. The Investigator is a "journal" started last January by "researcher" G.J. Lowell, presumably to handle overflow articles from Third (now Fourth) Decade, with Jerry Rose's blessing.

I am still contemplating a review of HT 2, to include my correspondence with Harry to alert the uninformed of his carelessness and other attributes it looks like were in for at least 2 more books from him.

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As always, my best wishes.
Sincerely, Dave Keck