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Interview with "Dr." Marion T. Jenkins, "Parkland Hospital," Dallas, 3/24/61:

Q. Now about if we provide you with a transcript. Yes, sir. We're trying to determine whether there is a real conflict between the descriptions of head wounds of the President that came out of Dallas and those that then later were, you know, came out of the autopsy and were published in the official documents. And when you look at them, and read the Warren (Commission) testimony and so forth, there appears to be at least a tension, and there have been some suggestions that it's more than that. That's, and part of the problem obviously is the indefiniteness of any verbal description when you try to translate it to what people saw, and recreate that. That's one of the reasons that one technique we've been trying to use, is to get people to draw what they remember on the skull, in terms of the location of the head wounds, wound or wounds, that they saw. We've also been following that up, we're trying to, for backup purposes, to get a similar drawing or a flat profile of a skull which we have.

Did you have a good chance to examine the head wound that day, Doctor?

A. Well, you know, we didn't do very much examination. We were treating.

Q. Of course.

A. Resuscitating a patient at the time. When you try to compare the Warren Commission report with others, let me ask you, I haven't read anything about this except one thing. With all the literature, all that's been written about it, I avoid it, except what gets dropped on me, except for the report of Dr. Lattimer, who did this study, and I think it's, he responded to an interview I had with the American Medical News, and so wrote me about it and sent me a copy to show I was wrong in judging what part of the brain was hanging out. Which is all right, which shows that I wasn't that careful about the examination. But I gather from that, that the Warren Commission never had a chance to examine either the pictures or the x-rays or the body, is that right?

Q. That's our understanding. Well.

A. Then why would we be.

Q. Well, I don't know if they had a chance or not. The Chief Justice ordered the autopsy photos impounded until the year 2039, and the people who did the autopsy never even saw the photographs. Only a handful of people have seen them.

A. I understand the Warren Commission made their report without seeing them also, you can see what a difficult position they would be in to try to describe things when it was available, and they didn't have it. So if now you're trying to reconcile what the Warren Commission conjectured from talking to a lot of us, in comparison with what Dr. Lattimer and the three forensic pathologists saw when they examined all the evidence, well, they couldn't be the same.

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