

the

COLLECTORS' EDITION

ALONSO GARCIA

project

THE  
J  
F  
K



**assassination:  
truth compromised?**

*special issue*

# THE GLOBAL VILLAGE

PROJECT ©



## CONTENTS

### profile:

**PAGE 10/COVER JFK** Who killed JFK? Why was President Kennedy killed? Was President Kennedy's murder the result of a calculated conspiracy? The Global Village Project addresses these much-debated questions by analyzing and reviewing the 60's evidence, conspiracy theories, and controversies surrounding the Kennedy assassination.

### facets:

**PAGE 61/DOES HISTORY REPEAT ITSELF?** A look at the similarities that exist between the assassinations of American Presidents Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy.

**PAGE 64/THE MARRIAGE OF ABSTRACT AND ABSOLUTE** might come across as "artsy-fartsy" and taking monstrous liberties with poetic license - but, so what!

**PAGE 67/THE MEDIACRACY OF THE REAGAN PRESIDENCY** highlights or lowlights the tempest-tost vitriol of the Reagan Presidency. Media was to Reagan as a violin was to Heifetz: a tool to be mastered.

**PAGE 80/COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP: THE LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL.** With the collapse of the Soviet economy, the United States, in certain industrial centres, is experimenting with "Collective Ownership" of industry. Go figure! We illustrate a working model.

**PAGE 85/INTELLIGENCE TESTS? WHAT INTELLIGENCE TESTS?** Is the idea of genetic inheritance of intelligence dwindling? Popular belief shows that the "yeas" have it.

**PAGE 88/THE CANADIAN PERSPECTIVE** gives you the chance to sound-off on the many social/political/ethical questions and dilemmas that surround us as Canadians and global villagers.

**Departments:** 5/Opinions & Things - 99/Simply Cerebral or Grey Matter or Think About It

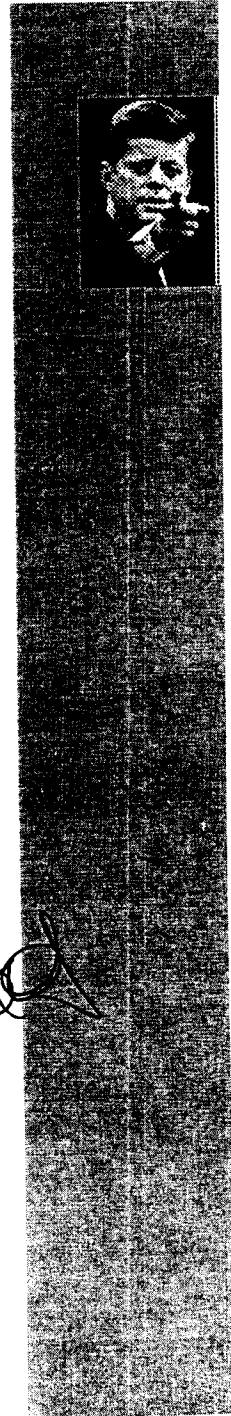
Publisher/Editor: (J.), Frank Kontos

Syntax Editor: Chris J. Jennings

Printing: Double Q Printers

An Operation Galileo Publication

Operation Galileo is a subsidiary of Knarf Sotnok Publishing



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

"And the Oscar goes to . . . "

My parents - for their sense of humanity, wisdom, compassion, political convictions, and devotion to championing the underdog - and for teaching me of these things. What's more important, is the unpayable debt I owe them for their love.

Chris Jennings, my greatest friend and confidante - for unselfishly helping me with this and endless other writing projects. He has provided invaluable support - moral and academic - in this work. Chris has convinced me that "The *red* pen is mightier than the sword."

Paul Wang - for his kind words of encouragement and *genuine* benevolence.

The memory of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

All who are devoted to the "cause."

Finally, my adversaries - for just being the people they are.

## WORD OF THANKS

Thanks to Raymond Ho, Ori Shlush, and Eddie Wong at Twin-Prop Computers for their computer wisdom and *awesome* customer service. And you don't even have to buy them pizza to get great service. Thanks guys.

My hat's off to Richard and Stan at Trafalgar Auto, two real working-class heroes.

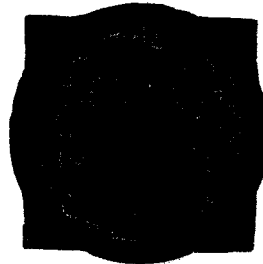
Much thanks to George Stalker at Multi-Mag for giving The Global Village Project a chance.

"Dum vivimus, speramus." Gratia! Dignus omni honore: L. L. and W. P. H., in giving me a second chance in 1983.

To Larry Banks for saving the ship!!!

"Ich bin ein Berliner," Tanya.

Write to: **The Global Village Project**  
**Northland Mall Post Office**  
**Box # 32058**  
**London, Ontario**  
**N5Y 5K9**



All articles written and researched by (J.) Frank Kontos.

**WARNING:** The Global Village Project is not a flip-through magazine!

---

The Global Village Project © 1993. Contents of The Global Village Project may not be reprinted without permission. No subscriptions can be offered at this time. Printed in Canada. The Global Village Project, established in 1992, is a subsidiary of Operation Galileo Publications, which is a subsidiary of Knarf Sotnok Publishing, which is a subsidiary of Frank Kontos Publishing. All rights reserved by the copyright owner.

---

## A LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER



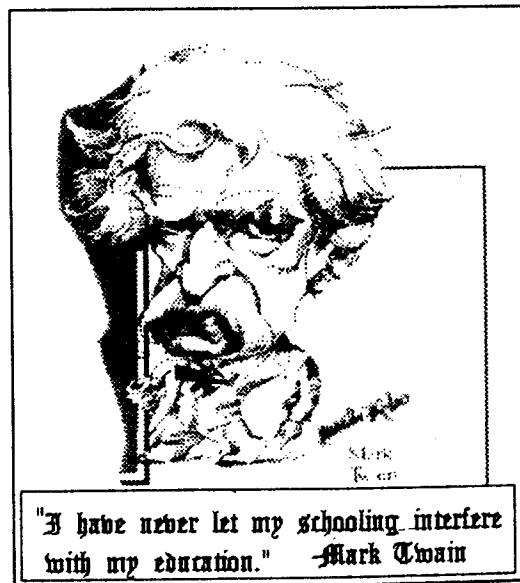
What is The Global Village Project, you ask? Well, in short, it is a *politico*-newsmagazine that puts the Establishment up for examination - both satirically and seriously. To wax satiric for example, Descartes once said: "I think, therefore, I am." The magazine's response to Descartes would be, "However, if I think not, am I not? No, I must be an American." But, on a serious level, The Global Village Project believes that if one, let's say, objects conscientiously with *American foreign policy*, it does not mean that one is anti-American. It simply means that he or she objects conscientiously, on legal or moral grounds, with American foreign policy. In presenting its views (and the views offered to it) the Project does not censor an issue's position despite its controversy, sensitivity and/or *political correctness*. Moreover, The Global Village Project believes if we all take care of things locally, *then* globally, everything and everyplace else will take care of

itself - as long as we start someplace. This message is similar to what Goethe (*Faust*) once said, "Let everyone sweep in front of his own door, and the whole world will be clean."

The Global Village Project will attempt to offer its readers an uninsulated and unsolicited (no special-interest groups) source of information not delivered presently by today's mainstream media. We can accomplish this because we have no advertisers to decide what is or is not in good taste. This "decision-making" done by advertisers poses a conflict of interest, in that advertisers essentially control the open forum. For example, the television series *Lou Grant* was cancelled by CBS in 1982, allegedly because of series star Edward Asner's vocal politics criticising American involvement in Central America. The show's advertisers pulled out, citing a conflict of interest. By the same token, *Ms Magazine* became insolvent at one point for representing the feminist viewpoint. Its women's cosmetics advertisers pulled their contracts with the magazine, citing their reason as a "conflict of interest."

Within the pages of this magazine there will be, beyond any reasonable doubt, conflict of interests, but we guarantee *equal* space for rebuttal. The Global Village Project subscribes to the idea that an individual's conscience deals with ideas and that law deals with actions. That is, if one can think it, one can say it. But, just because one has said it, it doesn't mean one can act upon it or incite others to act. Nor does it mean that everyone will like the idea being presented. Censorship is an individual responsibility. If we allow the expurgation of unpopular ideas, ideas that are at the very edge of thought and minority views, we are then primarily saying that we are *willing* to accept an Orwellian form of *thought-control* and an one-sidedness in our thinking. Thereby, we lose free thought and become subjugated to, or enslaved by, if you please, the mainstream dogma, whatever it may be at whatever time. You know, like that guy named Galileo. Censorship, like cancer, grows. The therapy, if not the cure, is . . . to have balance!

To have balance, both popular and unpopular ideas require equal exposure and analysis. Impossible? Perhaps. But, if we are to know how an individual or a society feels, the media operators must not dictate to society and then ask of it what it thinks. Instead, media should be a sounding-board that assimilates the ideas of the society it supposedly serves, so that media reflects societal thinking and not the reverse. The former represents a controlled society and the latter an open one. The "thoughts of the many" must be weighed as favourably as the limiting and self-serving *sphere of influence* of the few, especially if the idea of diversity in a free society is to mean something. It is a monumental undertaking - but necessary when considering the alternatives.



The Global Village Project focuses on: political assassinations; social and political articles/essays; political caricatures; global issues, both political and environmental; opinions and editorials; surveys; the occasional political poem like the one below, written by the poet Robert Burns:

Ye hypocrites! Are these your pranks?  
To murder men, and give God thanks?  
Desist for Shame! Proceed no further:  
God won't accept your thanks for murder.

Hopefully, by example, The Global Village Project can demonstrate that it has no preoccupation with any person's occupation, status, race, religion, and station in life. The Global Village Project's only criterion for writers planning to submit a piece of writing is that your writing present an element of conflict. Whatever the conflict may be - e.g., Mom or Dad won't give you the keys to the car - we would like to hear from you. We welcome and encourage novice writers, young students, and voices of dissent. A genuine dissident dissents genuinely. And loudly, early and often.

Our first edition of The Global Village Project is in limited print of only one thousand issues (or less) and is a collectors' edition. In this issue we mark the thirtieth year of American President John Fitzgerald Kennedy's assassination. The Kennedy article's focus is to review the 1960's assassination evidence, present the many conspiracy theories advanced over the years, and analyse the discrepancies of evidence.

The Global Village Project may very well be a one-time deal. Therefore, on behalf of the Project, I welcome your ideas and support because, like public television, The Global Village Project's survival will depend solely on the public support it receives. Our destiny is in your hands.

Frank Kontös

## EDITOR'S NOTE



I would like to begin by thanking Frank Kontos, the publisher/editor of the Global Village Project for allowing me the privilege of working as Syntax Editor on this Project. I would be lying if I didn't say it has been a **huge** piece of work for both of us, as we pulled everything together so that it reads and flows in a coherent, logical and easy-to-follow style. But, on the other hand, it has also been a very rewarding project for me. It has allowed me the opportunity to see another side of Frank; the dedication and single-mindedness as he pursued his "dream" of getting the Global Village Project completed and published. This man has literally been eating, sleeping and drinking JFK for a long time now,

but it has finally paid off handsomely in the end. He has assembled an extraordinary amount of concrete, well-researched information on the topic of the JFK assassination that should certainly shake a lot of people's complacency, open their eyes and get them talking about it - I know it did for me.

When Frank approached me about working on the Project with him, I had **no idea** of the depth of detail and information it was possible to put together. I was constantly amazed, outraged, excited and titillated by what I was working on. And there's even a lot of good humour too - check out the "Mediacracy of the Reagan Presidency" section for a good laugh or two.

This Project deserves to succeed, purely on the merits of its original intentions as outlined in the letter from the publisher, regardless of the material content. I wish the Global Village Project and its editor/publisher Frank Kontos, continued success and a long publishing career. Well Done Frank!!!

Chris Jennings

# OPINIONS & THINGS

## Let Them Pay for It!

Dear Global Village Project:

Those Canadians who favour or stand up vehemently for the "pro-life" side of the abortion issue should all place their name on one government master list. From this master list an elected pro-life governing body could decide among themselves how much money each individual on this list must pay to support all the social programs related to *their* pro-life position, for example, the unwanted pregnancies, unwanted children, unwed mothers and their agencies and so forth. Let these pro-lifers support their cause or crusade if they so choose. Democracy is a system that allows individuals who strongly believe in a cause to strongly believe in a cause. And if they so strongly believe in *their* cause, let them pay for it!

Conversely, we should allow advocates of pro-choice, (who champion the cause of the individual's right to "free choice" in determining whether one goes full-term with a pregnancy or aborts it), the right not to pay for the burdening social programs dictated by the pro-life philosophy and practices. On the other hand however, the pro-choice people should be prepared to pay for their abortions, since they do support it!

For example, by using the Separate and Public school systems as a model, we can, indirectly, apply the idea of individual choice. That is, if one supports the Catholic

school system then one should pay for it - but not from the public dole.

-Anonymous  
Montreal, Canada

\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Global Village Project:

When there is justice for the living, only then shall there be justice for the unborn.

-Ira Kohnstein  
London, Ontario

\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Global Village Project:

What do you call fans of liberty? Assassins.

-Anonymous  
Washington, D.C.

\*\*\*\*\*

## My Discovery of America Revisited

Dear Global Village Project:

The former Soviet Union, just prior to its collapse in 1989, banned its wolf hunt policies shortly after Farley Mowat released his book Never Cry Wolf. The United States, however, in true arrogant fashion, could not do **anything** that, in style or substance, remotely resembled the Soviets, their cold war nemesis. So when Farley Mowat released his book Sea of Slaughter, the Americans not only continued with the seal hunt, they, as an added bonus, banned Farley Mowat from

entering the United States. Mowat's banning was enforced by an antiquated 1950's law called the McCarran/Walter Act - an Act that denies entry to any individual deemed a communist, subversive, and/or a threat to the national security of the United States.

Farley Mowat? A threat to the national security of the great American empire? I think not! Either America exaggerates its own sense of persecution or grandeur, or Mr. Mowat does work as a KGB asset?! Needless to say, the latter is highly unlikely. Okay, perhaps Farley did go a little overboard by doing a Cossack tango with a Soviet ambassador on top of a government building in Ottawa while under the influence of the finest Russian vodka. And, perhaps, Farley did shoot an unloaded pellet pistol (symbolically of course) at an American warplane flying over Canadian airspace in 1968. But I think Farley's actions typify normal Canadian behaviour.

Moreover, I'm sure Farley's openness and candour about these incidents did not help his case, amid the "Evil Empire" diatribes of the Reagan era. However, these idiosyncrasies at best do not an Ivan the Terrible make.

The Cold War conditioned the Yanks to do everything in a manner opposite to the Soviets. And in the process they raped the innocent and failed to become a "kinder and gentler nation."

-Doogie McLean  
North Bay, Ontario

\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Global Village Project:

The more we look for optimism in global politics, the more pessimistic we become.

The more we believe that the Establishment provides slavery, the more we disbelieve their promises of freedom.

The more we learn about psychology, the more depressed we get.

The more we live, the more we realise the inevitability of death.

**The Antithesis Society  
London, Ontario**

\*\*\*\*\*

**Dear America**

When the cowboys win, it's a victory.

When the Indians win, it's a massacre.

? ! ? ? !!!

\*\*\*\*\*

Dear Global Village Project:

Tell me it isn't so! In Europe, a survey showed that Greeks have the fattest offspring. The Greek mothers were to blame for overfeeding their offspring and then not letting them exercise, in fear of them hurting themselves.

**Sal O. Nika (pseud.)  
Greece, Europe**

*Dear Sal O. Nika: We're not sure if this is true, but we think Americans are, on average, quite a nation of slovenly porkers!*

\*\*\*\*\*

As long as the capitalist reveres the good of institutions rather than the good of men, so long will there be a vocation for the rebel.

-Unknown

\*\*\*\*\*

Violence is a confession of ignorance

-Socrates

Only the dead can see the end of war.

-Plato

\*\*\*\*\*

**WHY STUDY?**

Dear Global Village Project:

The more I study, the more I learn.

The more I learn, the more I know.

The more I know, the more I forget.

The more I forget, the more I do forget.

The more I do forget, the less I know. So, why study?

**R. Ripley**

**New York, New York**

*Dear R. Ripley: We highly recommend you continue with your studies because the alternative is that you may end up like us.*

\*\*\*\*\*

**NEWS BRIEF:**

"Weaponry" - The Canadian armament's industry sells arms technology to the government. However, if the government bans certain weapons, the arms industry sells the weapons on the international market to both friend and foe alike.

"Funding" - If the government bans certain funding, e.g., the Contra rebels in Nicaragua, the funding is indirectly sought

from the international community. For example, the Saudis gave U.S. interests in Nicaragua nearly 100 million dollars from 1984 to 1986.

The Americans returned the favour to the Saudis [BCCI] during the Persian Gulf War by the destruction of Iraq's attempt to control the world oil economy.

---

**POLITICAL POTPOURRI:**

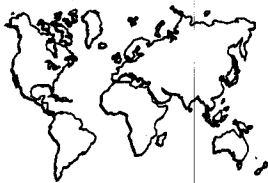
To date, the written works of Joseph Stalin have nearly reached the one billion mark in sales and distribution. Also, the booklet Quotations from the Works of Mao Tse-tung has reached the one billion mark in sales and distribution. But these books are not nearly as popular as the oldest book on the book selling charts, the Bible. Since the beginning of the 19th century, over three billion Bibles have been printed worldwide.

It is ironic that the ideals from both the Bible and the Communist manifesto/ideology were once very influential on most peoples' way of thinking. Now, however, both are either targeted by Western thinking or the targets of Western thinking. The decline of both Christianity and Communism is attributable to the hostility of Western thinking by way of a "New World Order."



If you are interested in locating obscure information, but are having a hard time locating the

material, then consider contacting any of the three following libraries: the National Library of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario. For general inquiries call (613) 995-7969; the United States Library of Congress, Capitol Hill, Washington, D.C. It has 1000 miles of shelf space; the New York Public Library, the largest public library in the world - it is only one-tenth the size of the Library of Congress.



WORLD POPULATION	
DATE	MILLIONS
8000 BC .....	6
AD 1 .....	255
1000 † .....	250
1500 .....	460
1800 .....	960
1900 .....	1635
1940 .....	2300
1960 .....	3020
1970 .....	3700
1980 .....	4500
1986 .....	5010
1990 .....	5500
1993* .....	6080
2000 * .....	8710
2025 * .....	17000
2050 * .....	6

\*GVP approximations.

† Plague, pestilence, and man's constant pillaging and plundering took its toll on the world's population growth. That is, the world's population dropped-off significantly for the first time in humankind's history.

The plague, highly contagious and deadly, was carried by rats and transmitted to and from humans and animals alike.

\*\*\*\*\*

the GLOBAL VILLAGE project

## WORLD RELIGIONS

	MILLIONS
Christians .....	2002
Moslems .....	901
Hindus .....	673
Buddhists .....	415
Jews .....	20
Sikhs .....	18
Misc. ....	2
Atheists/Agnostics ...	2049

[Figures +/- 8% : GVP approx.]

Dear Global Village Project:

Euthanasia: moral issue; issue of choice; political issue. Moved by the plight of Sue Rodriguez and faced with the possibility of serious personal illness, I began my own struggle with this issue.\* Euthanasia must be legalized, but carefully supervised. Unfortunately, politicians will be the cowards and evade the issue in favour of "safe issues" for votes.

Those of us tormented by prolonged suffering - when any hope for recovery is gone! - will remain the victims, forced to accept unbearable illnesses and the prospect of an undignified death.

[\* - Sue Rodriguez is the ALS victim who petitioned Canada's high court, the Supreme Court of Canada, her right to die, but was denied.]

Rosalind Cardwell  
London, Ontario

Dear Rosalind Cardwell: Your letter about euthanasia warrants a response! Whether or not we at the Global Village Project agree with your position is not important, but our suggesting an addendum to your pro-mercy killing train of thought is. Our addendum is as follows: It seems, any person who wishes a dignified death by procedural euthanasia, but cannot get the procedure done

by the state, should simply go to a store where the latest highly overpriced and over-fashioned running shoe is sold, buy them, and then run to the nearest American metropolitan centre, stand on the street and eventually, voilà, euthanasia - minus a pair of running shoes!

If this example is judged to be extraordinarily insensitive and out of line by the priggish, then what judgement would they reserve for a state that simply chooses to ignore this incredibly important issue??? What alternatives are left for patients put into bureaucratic limbo - Dr. Jack Kevorkian perhaps?

Citizens must take matters into their own hands when the state fails to address such an important issue as this one. Laws are meant to be broken. For example, slavery was once legal in America, and just because it was legal that didn't make it moral. Keeping euthanasia illegal in Canada, or anywhere else for that matter, is morally tantamount to slavery. If one has to choose between legalising euthanasia or allowing people to needlessly suffer until death, then it should be painfully (no pun intended) obvious that the better choice of the two evils is legalised euthanasia! Enough said.

\*\*\*\*\*

### Double Standard Observed

Dear Global Village Project:

It never fails, but every year my so-called workmates censure me for failing to observe the traditional 11 a.m. three-minute silence during Remembrance Day. This ritualised annual peer pressure always conjures up a scene from the movie *Midnight*



*Express*, where Brad Davis, while incarcerated in a Turkish prison, is placed in an area of the prison designated for the criminally insane. This one scene shows these inmates (most of whom are one sandwich shy of a picnic) circling a pillar located in the middle of one of the chambers. All the inmates are walking around it in a left-to-right direction. But Brad Davis attempts to go in a right-to-left direction, bumping into the other inmates and disrupting the established order. An inmate pulls Davis aside and warns him that going "right to left" is the way of a bad gear and that the machine doesn't work with a bad gear. And that going left is the way of the communist. He further tells Davis not to resist the established order of marching left to right. Davis continues to resist! [Similar, you know, to that guy who once owned the City Lights bookstore, and is now in some jungle in Southeast Asia.]

In a sense I continue to resist the collective will of my co-workers because when I point out the atrocities their ancestors committed against the native and Black Americans, they too-quickly discount my position by saying that they can't be held responsible for these atrocities because they were not alive at the time. To this I respond, "My point exactly! Then why do you continue to observe Remembrance Day if you were not alive during WWI and WWII. And if you are just showing respect to the dead, then why don't you show respect for the butchered innocent native Indians and Black Americans who died at the hands of your forefathers for the last 500 years!"

-Anonymous  
London, Ontario.

*Dear Reader: Remembrance Day, November 11, is a day set aside not to commemorate the dead, but a day that reminds people of the end of World War hostilities in 1918 and 1945. It is not a day to renew hatreds and build upon resentments of who killed whom and who started what, rather, for all intents and purposes, it is a signpost for hope. It is also observed as a legal holiday here in Canada.*

*However, if an individual chooses not to observe the tradition because the so-called "moral majority" perceives Remembrance Day as a patriotic day that only commemorates the dead of their own country, then the misguided majority should not be surprised to see dissent.*

#### Ode To Greed

**Coloniser:** Chief Innocence, what do you think of Christianity?

**Indian Chief:** Well, I shall bear a tale for you that my peoples' ancestors ten score and ten years ago told to their children. The white man came from a distant land and he brought with him a powerful weapon. He had a book. And all we had were our traditions, our freedoms, and our lands to roam freely. The weapon they had was all-too powerful. Our people compromised and a trade was made; we now have the book and the white man has the land.

**Coloniser:** What is this book you speak of?

**Chief:** It is the Bible.

**Coloniser:** Are you saying Christianity promotes greed?

**Chief:** No, it's man's use of Christianity . . .

\*\*\*\*\*

#### A SIMPLISTICALLY DANGEROUS, YET EFFECTIVE, PHILOSOPHY

Dear Global Village Project:

The philosophic point of view, "If a tree falls in a forest and nobody is around to hear it fall, the tree doesn't make a sound," is accepted by too many people as valid and sound reasoning. That is, since nobody heard the tree fall in the forest, they deduce the tree did not make a sound because they choose to believe reality is based on the direct involvement of a conscious mind and the senses. However, a cynical observation of this bad philosophy is that the human suffering that exists on the planet today, brought on by wars, famine, poverty, oppression, crime and so forth, is absolutely nonexistent because our sense of reality is determined only by the direct involvement of our senses. You know, somewhere along the lines of "facts don't matter, perception is reality."

It is simple to discredit this bad philosophy by using the 16th century physicist and astronomer Galileo as an example. During the 16th and 17th centuries, people disputed Galileo's hypothesis of the earth revolving around the sun because the people of his time observed with their own eyes that the sun would wake in the east and move across the sky toward the west and set there. So, in essence, they only believed what they saw with their own eyes. Their sense of sight could not deceive them - so they thought.

Carry the logic over to modern times and we find that the atrocities committed by our very governments are perceived by us as not occurring because we somehow consciously choose to deny anything

outside our own national media. Similar to the peoples of a distant era, our perception of reality, by way of our national media, is based on what we see daily with our own eyes and hear with our own ears. And if we don't hear it or see it reported by our media, then it must not have happened.

Many people in the Western democracies are, I believe, subconsciously conditioned, by the art and science of persuasion, to subscribe to this so-called "If a tree falls in the forest . . . it doesn't make a sound" philosophy. And if they don't subscribe to this bad philosophy, why do we still have wars, famine, poverty, oppression, crime and so forth.

- GVP contributor  
London, Ontario

### An Idea to Help Canada

Dear Global Village Project:

I, as a Canadian citizen, propose the following idea to help my country and fellow Canadians get out of these financially devastating times.

I think that the government should setup a lotto system where all working people in Canada who are Canadian citizens with a legitimate social insurance number, qualify to win \$1 million dollars. Here's how the system works: Any person who is employed in Canada with a SIN is automatically registered in a central computer. This computer stores only the SINs of working people. These working people would be deducted one dollar from their weekly paycheque. The government computer would then pick two SINs registered in its data bank and these two people would receive \$1 million dollars each (tax free, of course). Basically, this government lotto would use the SIN of working people to determine two winners of \$1 million every week. The government lotto's money that would be collected from

working people, would help Canadians both directly and indirectly. Directly - it would create 104 new millionaires in Canada each year. Indirectly - it would generate nearly \$1 billion in revenue for the government to reinvest back into Canada.

Once a person won the \$1 million dollar award, they could not win it again. To ensure this, their SIN would be removed from the lotto computer. After they won, they would have the option of retiring, starting their own business or continuing in their job with their present employer. However, if they chose to stay in their present job, they would have to continue to pay the weekly \$1 dollar deduction for the lotto until they retire.

The objective here, is, that the person who wins will retire or start his or her own business to stimulate further the labour force, and to have an unemployed person take over the winning person's position. This helps to turn over the work force.

This pro-worker's lotto system, I think, gives people the incentive to be employed. To some degree, the lotto's motto is to promote the thinking that "You can't win if you don't work!"

For Canadians and Canada this is a win-win situation!

-GVP contributor  
London, Ontario

\*\*\*\*\*



---

*To deny any individual or group the right to voice their ideas because we disagree with their point of view is not what the Global Village Project hopes to achieve. We, to a great degree, are inspired by the diverse idea of ideas and the open forum in which to present them. The French writer and philosopher, Voltaire, in his wisdom coined the phrase "I disagree with what you say, but will defend to the death your right to say it." It is our aim to continue this remarkably profound philosophy - minus the death part, of course.*

Send all letters/correspondence to:

"Opinions & Things"  
% The Global Village Project  
Northland Mall P. O.  
Box # 32058  
London, Ontario  
N5Y 5K9

*We welcome all letters and bar none. Please indulge us and include your name, address, postal code, phone number, and signature. However, if you wish to remain "anonymous" please state this in your letter, along with a brief explanation, and The Global Village Project will not print your name. This also applies to the use of "pseudonyms." Please date all your letters. We cannot return any letters, published or not. All letters are subject to editing.*

---

the  
GLOBAL



VILLAGE  
project

*"O what a tangled web we weave  
when first we practise to deceive."  
-SHAKESPEARE*

**THE**

**J**

**F**

**K**



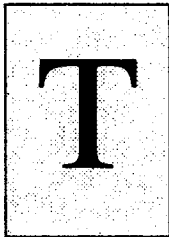
# **ASSASSINATION:**

**A PROFILE OF TRUTH COMPROMISED.**

*"When power leads man towards arrogance,  
Poetry reminds him of his limitations.  
When power narrows the areas of man's concerns,  
Poetry reminds him of the richness and diversity of his existence.  
When Power corrupts,  
Poetry cleanses."*

-JFK

SINCE THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY, IMPORTANT QUESTIONS HAVE REMAINED UNANSWERED. FOR THIS REASON, THE CONSPIRACY CONUNDRUM ENDURES. THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT'S *OFFICIAL VERSION* OF THE ASSASSINATION, ESTABLISHED BY THE WARREN COMMISSION, CONTINUES TO COME UNDER ATTACK. ITS CRITICS ARGUE THAT FROM THE TIME OF ITS RELEASE ON SEPTEMBER 24, 1964, THE WARREN COMMISSION REPORT IS A STUDY IN TRUTH COMPROMISED.



Thirty years ago, on November 22, 1963, John F. Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States, was brutally murdered in Dallas, Texas. "And today we still know the film footage all too well. And yet, because as a nation we have never made peace with the answers we've been given, we cannot, somehow, resist reliving the nightmare. Who can watch the President and Mrs. Kennedy get off Air-Force One in Dallas and not feel the impending dread? Thirty years later and we still want to holler across the decades and tell the President to turn around and get back on the plane. Who can watch the presidential motorcade advance toward Dealey Plaza and not wish there were ways to divert the motorcade down another street away from Elm Street, the Texas School Book Depository, the grassy knoll, and the bullets?"<sup>1</sup> Then, suddenly, it's too late as we hear the resonance of the all-too-familiar report: "President Kennedy has been assassinated. It's official now . . . the President is dead."

Those of us alive at the time and old enough to remember the news of President Kennedy's assassination remember where we were, who we were with, and what we were doing. John F. Kennedy was an impactful inspiration on all of us, the world over, with his charm and keenly developed sense of humour. Few men in public life displayed such wit in their speeches and writings as did President Kennedy. During his one thousand days in the White House, John F. Kennedy was not only considered a charismatic leader and global statesman, but also, and what's more important, by way of his Progressive Liberalism, a cheerleader for change.<sup>2</sup> This may ultimately, when placed against a conservative, love-of-country, and racist-inspired backdrop reflecting the pro-Establishment mood of 1963 America, have led to the conspiracy of death that felled, possibly, the greatest of all American Presidents.

Today, with the mountains of information and contradictory facts surrounding the JFK assassination, the central point *driving everybody nuts* about the Kennedy assassination is that to this day, one final, ultimate, and legalistic explanation or solution has not been found.

This writing will attempt to capsule as well as familiarise the reader with an arbitrarily-selected body of facts established by both the U.S. government's official version and its critics' widely accepted conspiracy theories, and then compare them. However, at best, this article can only serve as a micro-synopsis to the myriad quantities of source materials

available about the JFK assassination.<sup>3</sup> In the last analysis, it will be up to you to judge for yourself whether you believe the official version of the JFK assassination. That is, it comes down to which evidence one believes is the best evidence, and which evidence one believes more closely represents the truth - the official version or conspiracy version. Whatever one chooses to believe, one must base those beliefs on information received, even if it is, unfortunately, one-sided. For thirty years now we've heard the American government's one-sided story of the JFK assassination from a manual of subterfuge called the Warren Commission Report. It is time then for us to look beyond this "subterfuge" and get to the other side of the story: the Truth. For example, during the 1988 presidential election campaign, George Bush emphatically said, ". . . read my lips. No new taxes!" True to his "word," when Bush became President, he did not, I think, create any new taxes . . . he just skyrocketed the existing ones! Therefore, it is safe to say that the language of government is not always accurate nor truthful. The Warren Commission Report is no exception. One must always analyse the language of politicians. To accept outright a one-sided view or, at the very least, a mere semblance of fact from a first impression without carefully examining the variables of an opposing perspective insulates and even denies the individual a total view of the Big Picture: the Truth. Marcus Aurelius (Antoninus), Roman Emperor and stoic philosopher, in his 12 volumes of moral precepts called Meditations, states:

" . . . careful inquiry in all matters of deliberation," especially "with appearances that first present themselves."<sup>4</sup>

With all the material available, President Kennedy's assassination remains, to this day, the most talked about and most unsatisfactorily investigated crime of this century, aptly dubbed "The Crime of the Century." This is because crucial evidence and information (secret files) are either missing or being suppressed from the American public, under the guise of national security.<sup>5</sup> The two government bodies instituted to investigate the assassination of President John F. Kennedy were the Warren Commission (Nov. 29, 1963 to Sept. 24, 1964) and House Select Committee on Assassinations (October 1976 to July 1979). Both the Warren Commission and House Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA), in 1963 and 1979, respectively, time-sealed pertinent information and locked away crucial evidence relating to the JFK assassination that cannot be opened until the years 2029 and 2039. Both these official investigative bodies were, of course, manipulated by the CIA and the FBI. We now know that the CIA and FBI controlled the flow of information to both the Warren Commission and the HSCA. In addition, the CIA created programs to counter criticism of the Warren Commission Report - CIA memo: "Countering Criticism of the Warren Report, April 1, 1967." Document No. 1035-960, dated on *Fools' Day*. The end result of these two investigations is that today we are sitting between two official versions of the Kennedy assassination:

1. The Warren Commission's conclusion: one shooter and three shots.
2. The HSCA conclusion: two shooters and four shots.

The conundrum continues!

President Lyndon Johnson (d.1973), a southern Democrat, bestowed upon us the Warren Commission. And after concealing thousands of files from public access until the year 2039, the Commission gave us the first conclusion mentioned above. President Jimmy Carter, a southern Democrat, rekindled the JFK investigation with the help of Congress, by sanctioning the formation of the House Select Committee on Assassinations. After two and a half years of closed sessions and concealment of millions of files until the year 2029, the Committee gave us the second and different conclusion. Two Republican presidents later and voilà, we

have President Bill Clinton, who just happens to be a southern Democrat. The ball is now in President Clinton's court. Will Clinton officially reopen the JFK investigation? Will he open all the government JFK files? If he follows the pattern of his democratic presidential predecessors, will he also conceal information until, let's say, 2019? I have a feeling however, that the investigation of President Kennedy's assassination, while it still could be considered a current event, now borders dangerously on becoming an unalterable page in history because the trail is very cold and most witnesses are dead. Even so, and adding to this the failure of justice in the assassination investigatory aftermath, we must not give up hope toward achieving ends that determine the truth. President Clinton comes from a generation that fought the Establishment, and now that he is the Establishment, hopefully President Clinton will be the one who makes a difference, by choosing to openly reveal than to covertly conceal.

The very act of concealing information is highly suspicious and common sense prompts one to ask the question - why was this done? What possible national security risks could exist today? And who or what does a cover-up protect - besides the government? Similarly, the 1972 Watergate tapes may have revealed information relating to President Kennedy's term in office, the CIA assassination programs, the Pentagon Papers, and the events that led to President Kennedy's assassination. But those tapes have been sealed away from public scrutiny, forever. The CIA's motto for successful covert operations is that secrecy of executive action and information must not be compromised "from inception to eternity." I think that this surreptitious agenda proves that the information which we are *not* given is far more important than what we *are* given. This "unknown" information most certainly holds the *key* to resolving both the JFK assassination and Watergate cover-up. Whether that key fits a secret filing cabinet or a desk is unknown - the answers, however, remain with the holders of the key.

Don Quixote suggested in the Cervantes novel Man of La Mancha that "Facts are the enemy of truth." Don Quixote's perception of truth lends itself synonymously to the idea that although there exists a duality of fact, similar to that between realism and idealism, the truth is not predisposed to either, and by that, a parallel to the JFK question can be drawn. The missing, unrevealed, and hidden facts in this case are also the *enemy of truth*, (e.g., as between facts given and obviously apparent, and truths unrevealed, hidden by design, and not obviously apparent), because we cannot know with any degree of certainty and resolve how the complete puzzle looks without those key missing pieces. So, speculation is put to task, and the theories abound. Due mainly to the fact that Oswald was murdered so shortly after President Kennedy, Americans never got the satisfaction of a trial which may have put to rest the many questions and theories being advanced today. The conspiracy theories can only be validated *in theory*, but simultaneously they can be, and are, nullified by the U.S. government's direct collusion with the mainstream media. I suspect that the American government, by reopening the case and giving full disclosure of the JFK files, would entangle itself in a quixotic study of a conflicting paradox. This would parallel a similar situation of a prosecutor serving also as a defender in a trial, thereby creating an obvious conflict between the two interests. The government cannot implicate itself. By keeping the JFK files locked away and the case closed, the government only serves to protect itself from incrimination because nobody else is left on the prime suspect's list.

An example of this so-called facts-are-the-enemy-of-truth occurs when information given to people is controlled and designed to achieve a desired end and/or an impression of reality. John Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, was a product of FBI public relations. Any information released about him by the Bureau had to first be sanctioned either by Hoover himself or a loyal subordinate. The press, in order to get any cooperation from the FBI, was

forced to stay on Hoover's good side by only reporting information approved by him. Any reporter going outside these established protocols (by reporting anything to Hoover's disliking, or criticising Hoover and/or the FBI), was immediately placed on an "undesirables" list and all communication between the Bureau and the reporter was suspended, resulting in a permanent blacklisting. Similarly, the upper echelons of media often behave like a government body in the way they control the release of information to the general public. An excellent example of this is cited in Carl Oglesby's brilliantly written book The JFK Assassination: The Facts and Theories:

"A reporter for one of the big outlets chanced one day to be the only one of the major media people at the Assassinations Committee's hearings to get the real point of what had happened that day. Chairman [Louis] Stokes had presented a major blast at the FBI and raised the question of FBI co-responsibility in [Martin Luther] King's death . . . The reporter who picked up on it had caught a strong story, clearly the lead of the day. And all the other majors missed it.

The reporter came in the hearing room smoldering the next day, slouched to his place muttering darkly about getting chewed out by his boss. Chewed out? For what? For that story about Stokes' speech on the FBI, he said. But that was a great story, nobody else got it. That's the point, he said. Why? Because my bosses say that if the rest of the press didn't get it, too, it must not have happened, and it looks bad when one of us says something so different from the rest."

Touché! Perhaps historical truth is based on an overall media consensus?!

Writers walk a perilous road. To "get along" they must go along or suffer the consequences of straying outside the established rules of the "American Melting Pot." The great Melting Pot of American politics, I think, is a system that builds upon and reinforces the idea that *to get along is to go along*. Conformity of this type is good for Americanism and elitist politics, but bad for democracy and the common good. History is rich by example and reveals the dangers of conformity through many examples of extremism. America is no exception. The McCarthy purges in the 1950's were a time when the Establishment in its attempts to cleanse American society of all communists actually mirrored the extremist measures of its foes. Therefore, great thinkers in our society are here to remind us that we must not be blind to our differences, because, as John F. Kennedy said in his American University speech, ". . . we all inhabit this small planet. We all breathe the same air. We all cherish our children's future. And we are all mortal."

Let us look at Noam Chomsky (Who is that you say? Who is Noam Chomsky?), a professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who at any given opportunity criticises American foreign policy and the ongoing collusion between the U.S. government and the media. What does any of this have to do with the JFK assassination? Well, first, in a microcosm, Dr. Chomsky is regarded as one of the twentieth century's greatest thinkers! Furthermore, he is shunned by the mainstream media for his minority views - that is, his views are truthful and statistically founded, but fail the test of "to get along is to go along." For instance, Dr. Chomsky believes that the American education system is designed to "crank-out" obedient workers, citing that the system punishes students who are late getting to class rather than focusing directly on the "problem" of students who fail examinations. By that, the system virtually conditions students to be obedient. In essence, the education system places a national priority on submissive behaviour rather than on the importance of succeeding

through school. Obedient students later become obedient workers/citizens who won't question the judgement of authority or their government (and its official version of the JFK assassination).

Secondly, if the Establishment cannot discredit an individual like Noam Chomsky (as it cannot discredit an entire nation seeking the truth about the JFK assassination), it simply ostracises him or her by ignoring the issue(s) they have raised to the point of a non-existent entity. You know, along the lines of "out of sight, out of mind." Like professor Chomsky, assassination researchers are also treated in this manner by the U.S. government and the media. Professor Chomsky's distrust of the Establishment and its mechanisms is represented below by one of his more provocative anti-Establishment maxims:

"Whatever the Establishment is, I'm against it."<sup>7</sup>

Although the tone of Professor Chomsky's messages are not very upbeat - his writings target the downside of the American system, what's awful in the world, and what ought to be changed - he does however have hope. Chomsky resolves that "The juggernaut [the will of the Establishment] still goes on, but you can throw a lot of sand in its gears."

Canadians also should not feel left out, having experienced their own *putsch* type push - promoting the idea that to "go along is to get along" - by the Canadian Establishment favouring the YES vote in last year's national referendum on the Charlottetown Constitutional Accord. The people of Canada saw through the government's Nazi modus operandi scare tactics. The Establishment employed (or *clubbed us over the head* with) the following rationale: ". . . a Yes vote is a vote for Canada's survival," and ". . . intelligent people will vote Yes." Lo and behold, on October 26, 1992, Canadians voted NO! Sand has worked its way into the juggernaut's gears, at least in Canada anyway. Congratulations Canada! Remember: analyse the language of government, always.

The JFK assassination exemplifies a great failing of democracy in America. In spite of the U.S. government's lack of cooperation, and its demonstrative fascist sensibilities, the pursuit of the truth in this complex murder case continues, despite the American Justice Department's announcement in 1988 (the year George Bush was elected President) that the JFK assassination investigation was officially closed and would never be reopened for investigation by them. In March 1988, Assistant Attorney General William F. Weld stated: "The Department of Justice has concluded that no persuasive evidence can be identified to support the theory of conspiracy in the assassination of President Kennedy . . . [Case closed]."<sup>8</sup> JFK researchers, shocked by this announcement, would not succumb and "go along" with this decision and obvious injustice.

The U.S. government, by officially closing the JFK assassination investigation, fails to serve interests on the national level and fails to do the job it has been placed in power to do. That is, acknowledge the preponderant will of its people to continue with or officially reopen the JFK assassination investigation. To paraphrase Abraham Lincoln: "A government that serves a democracy democratically is a government of the people by the people and for the people." To this end, the U.S. government has not compromised one iota in the last 30 years between its single-assassin/bullet-dogma and the will of the American people for the truth.





This theory postulates that one bullet: caused 7 wounds in Kennedy and Connally; entered Kennedy's back at the first thoracic vertebra and exited beneath his adam's apple; entered Connally, breaking 4 inches of his fifth rib (collapsing his lung), passing through and shattering his radius bone (the large bone in the wrist), lodging itself into his thigh; was finally discovered in pristine condition on an unidentified stretcher at Parkland Hospital one hour later. Without this theory the Warren Commission would have had nothing to support its single assassin assertion - absolutely nothing! And, in this case, "absolutely nothing" means a contention toward conspiracy.

The Magic-Bullet Theory is the very foundation on which the Warren Commission's 26-Volume report is built. In a sense, it's the *crux of the biscuit* that has secured as well as succoured the established version for the past thirty years. The Warren Commission's Magic Bullet conclusions can only be as strong as its weakest link. Ironically, this "weakest link" is the strength of the Warren Report. That is, under the right conditions and ballistics-lab tests, the Magic-Bullet Theory could prove to be the Warren Commission's downfall. Just like a house of cards. The Magic-Bullet Theory is exactly that, a theory! It is *not* based on science, but it *is* based on conjecture. Carl Oglesby, researcher and author, rationalises that "If the single-bullet theory falls, then the lone-assassin falls with it. If the lone-assassin theory falls, then we must postulate a secret plot, an active conspiracy, and we must speculate about its people, purposes and organization." For the longest time neither the Secret Service nor the FBI would support the Commission's Single-Bullet Theory. [\*Author's note: The Magic-Bullet Theory and the Single-Bullet Theory both refer to the same theory. They are interchangeable in usage. Critics prefer to use the term Magic-Bullet Theory because the word "magic" connotes strongly this bullet's defiance of the physical laws of the universe.]

At this point, one must wonder why the Single-Bullet Theory has endured for the last thirty years? The reason is simple. Nobody could then nor can today, prove or disprove the Single-Bullet Theory because no one was permitted to run ballistics-lab tests solely to validate the Single-Bullet Theory. This was due in part to Deputy Attorney-General Nicholas Katzenbach's memo (initiating a government/media mind-set) to Johnson assistant Bill Moyers on November 25, 1963 (only three days after President Kennedy's assassination) in which he states, "The public must be satisfied that Oswald was the assassin; that he did not have confederates . . ." <sup>10</sup> A day prior to the Katzenbach letter, J. Edgar Hoover stated to the Justice Department on November 24, 1963, what they needed most "is having something issued so we can convince the public that Oswald is the real assassin." <sup>11</sup> Voilà, the Single-Bullet Theory later emerges. Take note that the two previous statements by Katzenbach and Hoover both occur before a trial or official investigation takes place. But also take note that these statements occur after Lee Harvey Oswald is murdered and demonstrate a conscious agenda by the U.S. government, by whatever means, to show the American public that Oswald was the sole assassin. The Establishment, it seems, willfully obstructed justice in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Another factor that helped the Single-Bullet Theory endure is that nobody [other than Dr. James Humes, Dr. J. Thornton Boswell, Dr. Pierre Finck (all of whom were unqualified as forensic pathologists), the technicians and the *overseers* at Bethesda Naval Hospital] was allowed to perform an autopsy on Kennedy's body to determine bullet strikes, paths, and directions. Again we must allude to the missing evidence because the many, in this case, have been told to accept, without question, the words of the few as being the full truth, without showing the many the real and the concretised evidence - that is, JFK's brain.

It is important to remember that the Warren Commission Report is *only a theory*. Its investigations and final report were put forth so that an official explanation of President Kennedy's assassination existed for the historical record. It is not the last word.

## DALLAS IN WONDERLAND REVISITED: THE HSCA 1976-1979.

In July 1979, the chief counsel of the House Select Committee on Assassinations, Robert G. Blakey, announced publicly the Committee's findings that to a 95% certainty (based solely on the acoustics evidence) a minor conspiracy existed in the JFK assassination. However, the HSCA (U.S. government), essentially mimicked the Warren Commission Report, stating:

...the first shot completely missing, a second shot hitting both President Kennedy and Governor Connally, and a fatal and final shot [allegedly Oswald's third and last shot] hitting Kennedy in the head.<sup>12</sup>

Blakey believes however that the acoustics evidence proves that another shot was fired before Oswald completed his last shot, by a second gunman firing from the grassy knoll. Blakey claimed this shot missed and inferred that the second gunmen may have been independent of Oswald. A second lone-nut gunman?! I'm quite certain that when Blakey suggested the possibility of a second gunman randomly shooting in Dealey Plaza independent of Oswald, he did not mean: One conspiracy where the conspiracy's mastermind(s) organised individual assassin teams that were unaware of the other assassin team's presence in Dealey Plaza (although in reality this is what might have occurred). The odds of a second lone-nut gunman shooting independent of Oswald in Dealey Plaza are a *googolplex* to 1. A googolplex is 10 to the power of a googol - that is, a one followed by a googol (100) zeroes. By comparison, the total number of elementary particles - electrons, neutrons, protons - in the observable universe is about 10 to the power of 100 (a googol) particles in it; trivial when compared to a googolplex.<sup>13</sup> The HSCA would probably accept these odds as long as it can continue to advance its single assassin fairy tale. Or, is that two single-assassins fairy tale?

The HSCA's conclusion, in 1979, instead of laying the JFK question finally to rest, only heightened the conundrum and raised a host of new questions, like: Why did the American government unconditionally accept the Warren Commission Report for 16 years and deny eye and ear witnesses' testimony that a second gunman did shoot from the grassy knoll? Eye and ear witnesses also testified that the shot originating from the grassy knoll hit President Kennedy in the head just above and between his right eye and ear, propelling him and a preponderance of his brain matter backwards and to the left. Is this also going to be corroborated at some later date? Did anyone ask the Warren Commission why any of JFK's brain matter and skull fragments weren't found to the right rear, right front, and left front of the "kill zone?" Recall that the bulk of President Kennedy's brain was driven to the left rear. *Deductive Hypothetico* reasoning suggests strongly that the fatal head shot came from the front. One witness to the assassination, Mr. Phillip L. Willis, an avid hunter, publicly mocked the Warren Commission Report. After his testimony, he stated sardonically that in all his years of hunting deer, he had never seen a deer fall toward him after he had shot it. It would always fall away from the direction of the shot, due to the force of the bullet.

Robert Groden, a researcher, photo-analyst and technical consultant for the HSCA, digitally enhanced the Zapruder (the most widely viewed and analysed amateur film capturing the JFK assassination taken by Dallas clothing manufacturer Abraham Zapruder) film's optical clarity and exploded the film's image size. This showed more clearly that, frame Z313, the fatal head shot, had come from the front and had thrown Kennedy backwards and to the left at 100.3 feet per second - this is approximately equal to 110 km/h or 70 mph. Despite all of Robert Groden's efforts to prove to the House Committee that the fatal head shot, shot number

3, had originated from the grassy knoll, the HSCA, stonewalling Groden's assertion, opted to promote its own conclusion: "Shots number 1,2 & 4 coming from the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository, with shot number 4 being the fatal head shot, and shot number 3 missing altogether."

Robert Groden argued the HSCA's conclusion is flawed when put to the test of overlapping the dictabelt recording over the Zapruder film,

[paraphrased]

. . . the HSCA had the Zapruder film and acoustics evidence calibrated in a way that supports the 4th shot being the fatal head shot, thereby throwing the acoustics' synchronization out with what is occurring on the Zapruder film - that is, not correctly showing that the third shot is actually the fatal head shot.<sup>14</sup>

This type of *miscoordination* of evidence occurred as well with previous investigative bodies. For example, the Warren Commission and FBI had reversed and misprinted the sequence of two frames immediately following frame Z313 (in 1964), onto slide format, (illustrated out of sequence, in the 26 Volume Warren Report) making it appear that the fatal head shot originated from behind Kennedy and had violently thrown him forward.<sup>15</sup> Independent researchers, however, including David Lifton, later discovered the erroneous mix-up, observing that the slides were out of sequence when compared with the Zapruder film. The only explanation given by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI, was that it was an unintentional "printing error."<sup>16</sup> [Along the lines of *humanum est errare*? Yeah, right!] At approximately the same time it was also discovered that four frames, Z208 to Z211 of the Zapruder film transcribed onto slide-format, were deleted from the Warren Commission's final report. The Warren Commission critics argue that the deliberate deletion of these four frames may conceal the fact that someone was shooting from the grassy knoll. Critics speculate that the four deleted frames show the Stemmons Freeway sign either grazed by a bullet or a bullet hole passing through it. When these four frames were finally reintroduced in subsequent reprints of the report, each frame showed suspicious black marks/lines (and a splice) superimposed over a small portion of the back of the sign. One of the three copies of the Zapruder film shows these black marks. They are not defects in the film, but the result of human intervention, superimpositions placed over the surface of the film's image plane.<sup>17</sup> Whether or not this is true, one should still ask why the "Stemmons" sign was removed from Dealey Plaza within twenty-four hours of the assassination. One Dealey Plaza witness, James Hicks said that he saw a hole through the traffic sign after hearing something hit it. Hicks was standing near the Stemmons Freeway sign as the volley of shots commenced in Dealey Plaza. Life magazine published two versions of frame 313, the fatal head shot, from the Zapruder film. One version clearly pictures President Kennedy's head during the impact of the fatal head shot. The second version of frame 313 shows a red mist brushed over President Kennedy's head completely concealing it. Richard Owens, a fellow conspiracy buff from Kitchener, Ontario, owns a copy of the Life magazine issue dated October 2, 1964, in which both these versions are printed. [Groden pg. 231.]

These gaffs, as mentioned above, represent only three of the many so-called unintentional errors, either engineered by design or coincidence by the U.S. government, that have continued to haunt researchers, critics and the American public from day one of President Kennedy's assassination.

## BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL: GUILT BY SILENCE

The facts strongly demonstrate that the body of scientific/physical evidence was either hidden, or perhaps, and more likely, destroyed to avoid public scrutiny. This applies to the medical evidence as well. For example, Kennedy's autopsy was performed at Bethesda Naval Hospital by two inexperienced naval doctors, at best, naval administrators, who were ordered to do the autopsy. These two doctors, James Humes and Thornton Boswell, were both unqualified as forensic pathologists, and in fact, had never before performed an autopsy. Paul O'Connor, a technician at Bethesda at the time of President Kennedy's autopsy, claims that he had never seen either of the doctors do an autopsy or even visit the morgue. They, Humes and Boswell, did the best they could, but as the late Medical Examiner for New York City Dr. Milton Helpen said:

"It was like sending a seven-year-old boy who has taken three lessons on the violin over to the New York Philharmonic and expecting him to perform a Tchaikovsky symphony. He knows how to hold the violin and bow, but he has a long way to go before he can make music."<sup>18</sup>

Why was a dead President of the United States treated in this manner? Researcher, former Senate Investigator, and Intelligence Analyst Harold Weisberg, author of the Whitewash series and Post-Mortem, had this to say:

"The President got an autopsy that wouldn't be acceptable for a bowery bum. But Oswald got an autopsy fitting of a President. There are no real questions about Oswald's autopsy. There are nothing but questions about the President's autopsy!"<sup>19</sup>

[I like what Mr. Weisberg had to say next.]

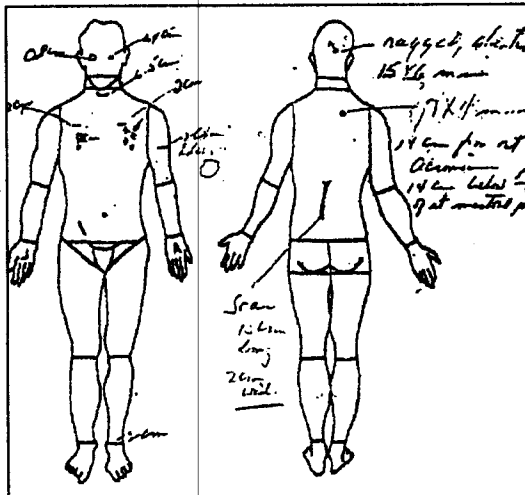


Figure 3 Kennedy's back wound was moved up 4 inches from the point illustrated in this diagram to accommodate the single-bullet theory.

" ... there is one thing that I can say without question; that the official story is not true and those who issued it knew it wasn't true. There's another thing I can say without question; the crime was beyond the capability of any one man, Lee Harvey Oswald or anybody else. On that basis alone there was a conspiracy."<sup>20</sup>

Dr. Boswell's autopsy diagram shows the correct location of Kennedy's back wound, at the third thoracic vertebra.

Dr. Cyril Wecht, the coroner of Pittsburgh, one of America's leading forensic pathologists and a former President of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, explains:

"Humes and Boswell were in charge of hospital pathology at Bethesda, just like hospital pathologists in civilian life. They had had no formal training or experience or practice in forensic pathology. It was incredible that Humes and Boswell should've been selected to perform this autopsy . . . "21

" . . . there were, we know, about thirty-three people officially logged in the autopsy room that night . . . we know there was an admiral, there was a general, there were FBI and Secret Service people. And these people, Humes and Boswell, were career military people just a couple of years shy of retirement. They were not about to stand up and say to their superior officers 'We're going to do it our way.' No way, would they say that!"22

" . . . Humes and Boswell were indeed controlled and we know from their own records that they, Humes and Boswell were not professionally competent and expert in the realm of forensic pathology. And that's how you got a 'botched', horribly inadequate, inept, superficial, medical-legal autopsy in the case of John F. Kennedy."23

Three years after the assassination, an inventory of evidence held at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. showed that a medical tray containing JFK's brain, Kodachrome's, and the microscopic autopsy tissue slides were removed illegally or, for lack of a better word, stolen from the Archives building. Nobody to this day has accounted for these items in the U.S. government. Researchers speculate that Robert Francis Kennedy was responsible for these missing items and either made them forever inaccessible or had them destroyed.

More importantly, why is President Kennedy's brain missing? Why are slides of tissue samples also missing? Why was the autopsy done with such mediocrity and outside the protocols of forensic pathology? Why were the bullet paths not followed during the autopsy? Why have Oswald's remains been exhumed and not Kennedy's? Why do the death certificate, Kennedy's clothing, and autopsy body charts all indicate that President Kennedy was shot 4 inches lower on the back than testified to the Warren Commission by Dr. James Humes? Why was Kennedy's body taken illegally from Parkland Hospital before a legal autopsy could be performed by Parkland Hospital's chief forensic pathologist, Dr. Earl Rose? [Texas law stipulates that in all cases involving a homicide an autopsy must be performed on the body before it can be transported out of the state.] *Why, why, why - why are there so many unanswered questions?* All these questions and the missing evidence, i.e., bullets; tissue samples; JFK's brain; films; pictures; witnesses; secret files; altered and burnt autopsy reports, and key medical reports, all play an important role in determining the truth, the ultimate answers, and the final and legalistic solution to the whole JFK assassination question.

It has been said by many people, commenting on the JFK assassination, that it may be too late for justice, but it will never be too late for the truth. Bearing this in mind, I ask the reader to indulge or even humour me by rationalising the following question: If we cannot fix the problem now, then when?

" . . . individually we can make a difference, but collectively we can change the world."  
-Huey Walker

## MEDIA'S ROLE IN ASSASSINATION'S AFTERMATH

T

he established media originally were, and still are the official Kennedy assassination version's chief supporters and echo-chamber. They long ago ignored the whole conspiracy question, except to disparage and ridicule those who raised it. They portrayed the proposition of conspiracy theories as though there were something deficient about a mind that could so preoccupy itself with the lurid details of JFK's death; something darkly malformed and paranoid about the intelligence that could hypothesise the existence of sophisticated criminal conspiracies. [Oglesby paraphrased.] Consequently, this media-amplified attitude and mind-set monster has been echoed and promoted by the mainstream media from day one in Dealey Plaza, when a young reporter named Robert McNeil (currently co-anchor of the McNeil/Lehrer Newshour) first reported emphatically from the Dal-Tex building . . . "three shots from the Texas School Book Depository." It has flourished religiously and continues to be voiced by today's media at large.

Unfortunately, such media efforts may indeed determine the *historical truth*, if we take historical truth to mean the long term media and historians' consensus. For example, HSCA chief counsel Robert Blakey said that the historical truth is that the Mafia did it, which may turn out to be true even if the Mafia did **not** kill President Kennedy.<sup>24</sup> If we are to learn from history, then history must first be written truthfully. It has been said that the American people are more insulated and controlled by their government, corporate Establishment, mainstream media and historians than any other country on this planet. Whether or not this is true is open to debate, but one must take one's hat off and applaud the American people for their refusal to accept outright the official version of the JFK assassination. Most Americans are hungering for the "full truth." By 1976, a Gallup poll showed that 4 out of 5 Americans believed that the assassination of President Kennedy was a conspiracy.<sup>25</sup> Two later polls confirm the American public's desire for the truth. The first, a poll taken by the Washington Post in 1984, showed more than 80 per cent of the respondents expressed the belief that President John F. Kennedy died as the result of a high level conspiracy - that is, a conspiracy involving the U.S. government.<sup>26</sup> The second, a phone-in poll taken during the live broadcast of *The JFK Conspiracy* on April 15, 1992, showed that 99 per cent of respondents favoured opening all JFK government files. [I think this was due largely to the impact of Oliver Stone's film *JFK*.]

The U.S. government's *bedfellowship* with mainstream media giants (like Time, Life, The New York Times, The Washington Post, Newsweek, The Boston Globe, The Chicago Tribune, The Cedar Rapids Gazette, The Indianapolis Star, The Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, The Rocky Mountain News, The Austin American Statesman, and The Phoenix Republican, to name just a few) shows for the last 30 years their (the media) parroting of the official version of the JFK assassination in continued attempts to "brainwash" an unforgiving American public. This closely knit, elitist and nepotistic fraternity inherently abides by the Warren Commission myth, and today is still hard at work perfecting methods to further advance the official version, despite its contradictory facts. However, three weeks after the release of the acoustics evidence on December 29, 1978, the New Hampshire Sentinel distanced itself from its parroting peers. It offered the following satirically honest yet prophetically Orwellian editorial, criticising the Establishment's *Rock of Gibraltar-style-intransigence* concerning its lone assassin dogma. It stated:

" . . . it would be interesting to observe the reaction of those in the media who had been assuring us for 15 years that Oswald had acted alone and that any suspicion to the contrary was the result of a psychological inability to believe that a lone madman could kill a president . . . "<sup>27</sup>

The Sentinel's editorial brilliantly concluded:

"If, as a nation, we are disinclined to examine possible conspiracies when our leaders are shot down in the street, perhaps we would be more honest to pass a constitutional amendment stipulating that, in the future, prominent Americans can be assassinated only by deranged individuals acting alone. That would clear the air."<sup>28</sup>

Right at the outset, from the time of Oswald's struggle against capture in a theatre in the Oak Cliff section of Dallas, the media's propaganda machine began churning out the idea that Oswald was a deranged individual:

"... and during that struggle he [Oswald] was heard to shout, 'It's all over now, I've got me a President and a cop and I'll try for two more!' A fanatic in every sense of the word."<sup>29</sup>

Some researchers argue that Oswald never said this, and believe it to be a total fabrication by the Dallas City Police Department (DCPD), echoed by the media. The stage was being set. Oswald claimed from the time of his arrest up to his assassination that he was innocent and denied shooting anybody. He did concede, however, to punching a police officer in the theatre while resisting arrest, because none of the officers would tell him why he was being arrested and on what charge. If this is historically true, then it appears that Oswald's constitutional rights were violated [Is a person not innocent until he or she is proven guilty? It is important to note that Oswald has not yet, to this day, been proven guilty. His guilt is a theory only, not a fact.] The media's film footage taken just after his capture shows Oswald often repeating that he was not aware of the charges against him and with what he had been charged. In fact, Lee Harvey Oswald, from the time of his arrest until the time of his murder (just two days after President Kennedy's), "emphatically" denied any guilt and strongly proclaimed his innocence upon learning the charges against him. The world failed to listen carefully to Oswald's words: "...I'm just a patsy."<sup>30</sup>; "I didn't shoot anybody, no sir . . ." <sup>31</sup>; "I don't know what kind of dispatches you people [the reporters] have been given. I have committed no act of violence."<sup>32</sup>; "I haven't shot anybody."<sup>33</sup>; " . . . I am not a malcontent; nothing irritated me about the President."<sup>34</sup>; " . . . I have nothing against President John F. Kennedy." "These people have given me a hearing without legal representation or anything."<sup>35</sup> Marina Oswald (Lee's wife) later admitted that Oswald admired President Kennedy and the Presidential family, but strongly disliked Richard Nixon.

Audio tapes of Oswald examined with Psychological Stress Evaluators (PSEs are lie-detecting devices that measure stress by voice pattern analysis) by former CIA man George O'Toole, show that Oswald was telling the truth.<sup>36</sup> Demonstrated reliable in several tests, (including the Oswald tests), PSEs are used by hundreds of U.S. law enforcement agencies including the CIA, and are accepted as evidence in more than a dozen states. [The PSE computer is manufactured by Dektor Counterintelligence and Security, Inc., Springfield, Virginia. Just a hop, skip and jump from Langley - CIA Headquarters.] During a May 1972 television interview, Earl Warren, chairman of the Warren Commission, discussed the JFK assassination. His remarks were also analysed using the Psychological Stress Evaluator. Warren answered a series of questions by contending the Commission had explored all angles and found no evidence of conspiracy. The PSE showed "hard stress" in each of Warren's responses, revealing at one point "a perfectly trimmed hedge" - the strongest possible indication of deception.<sup>37</sup>



Despite Oswald's guilt or innocence, the cards were dealt and the media and the American public were duped into believing that Oswald was guilty. The Press, after Oswald's arrest, had asked Dallas Police Chief Jesse Curry if the paraffin test had shown Oswald fired the alleged rifle that had killed President Kennedy. In vague terms, Curry tentatively confirmed that the paraffin test was *positive* in showing that Oswald had in fact fired "a gun." Curry's report to the media was not entirely true nor complete because the initial paraffin tests were inconclusive and came out *negative*. [Even the FBI had doubts about the reliability of the paraffin test, as they disclosed in their investigation of Thomas G. Buchanan's claims in his book Who Killed Kennedy: "The paraffin test has been found by the FBI laboratory to be extremely unreliable and inconclusive as to whether or not a person has fired a weapon."<sup>38</sup>] Only after three individual paraffin tests (including the FBI's) were done on the 6.5 calibre Mannlicher Carcano (the alleged death rifle), was the final test result mysteriously *positive*. The FBI did not find Oswald's palm print on the rifle. The Oswald palm print was only discovered after the FBI returned the rifle to the Dallas City Police Department. [In later years, Jesse Curry, in his book, wrote that he had serious doubts about the palm print found on the alleged death rifle.]

Strangely and under suspicious circumstances, after Oswald was killed, the FBI (possibly the CIA) had shown up at Miller's Funeral Home and demanded of Paul Groody, the funeral home's undertaker, that they be allowed to examine Oswald's corpse privately. These agents (popularly believed to be the FBI), it is alleged, had taken prints of Oswald's fingers, hand and palm. Upon these agents' departure, Paul Groody and his associates (who found this secret viewing of Oswald odd, to say the least) inspected Oswald's body, finding ink covering Oswald's fingers, hand, and palm. Only after this episode occurred was a palm print found on the Mannlicher Carcano and confirmed to be Oswald's (three tests later). Immediately after the mysterious discovery of Oswald's palm print, Dallas Police Chief Jesse Curry announced that a palm print was found on the rifle and the print was Oswald's. [Note that earlier Curry would only say that the results of the paraffin tests were positive and demonstrated clearly that Oswald did shoot a gun. Curry never used the term "rifle."] The Dallas Police found no gunpowder residue on Oswald's cheeks (nor in the alleged sniper's nest), clearly indicating Oswald did not shoot a rifle. Many people over the years have failed to realise that Oswald's working with books all day in the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) also would show a positive nitrate reading on a paraffin test.

To help maintain control of the American Pie, the media have nurtured the interests of those 1 per cent of Americans who own 60 per cent of America's wealth. Their survival depends on it. They have become too corporatist and their top brass too friendly with the Establishment. They are now seemingly more preoccupied with making profit than in seeking out the full truth in the Kennedy assassination. This profit motivation is also extended, I'm sure, to some Kennedy assassination authors, who bait the public with their conspiracy-angle conjectures. However, these people are quickly filtered out. The media have realised that the truth doesn't pay the bills. And besides, the public at large doesn't care. Why should they? After all, an escapist and materialistic society's message is, "Keep Quiet. Consume. And Die!" Simple, but effective. For example, the Establishment via the media sold us a bill of goods about the JFK assassination in a fashion similar to the tobacco industry of the 1940s, 50s and 60s. They told us what we wanted. They told us what was best for us. They reassured us that it was in our best interest. Eventually however, we learned the truth about tobacco.

In 1963, the assassination coverage outside a 100-mile radius of Dallas was limited to the official version of a single assassin firing three shots. It seems the interests of the few

outweigh the interests of the many and the media operators are accomplices to this end. History isn't kind, it reveals a lot about ourselves - the almighty dollar rules; democracy takes a back seat. That "All for one; one for all" attitude can only be found on the written pages of disillusioned writers, Pollyannas, and ideal-world romantics.

The role of the press is to retrieve and expose all the facts correctly and without bias, and at the same time it must dispel any and all myths. However, for the last thirty years the press have had a *simian-style approach* and partiality to the official line concerning President Kennedy's death. It is time for the truth. We cannot build upon a lie. If we build on a lie, what will we have? The better question is: What will our children have? We want the truth.

## A COLLECTION OF FACTS:

### OFFICIAL VERSION

V.

### CONSPIRACY ANGLE.

Presented below are some discrepancies between the U.S. government's official version and the critics' conspiracy angle of the JFK assassination. The compendium of facts represented below is a highly arbitrary selection of the 1960's evidence, and is used to reinforce as well as outline the conflicting facts between the two versions. A wise man once said, "Wherever it may lead as long as it leads to the truth."

Out of 510 photographs taken of the assassination, only 26 were looked at by the Warren Commission. [50 by the FBI].<sup>39</sup>

A couple of home movies that were filmed by Dealey Plaza witnesses, depicting the entire assassination, were confiscated by men posing as Secret-Service personnel - neither the films nor the alleged S.S. men were ever seen again.

\*\*\*\*\*

Seven witnesses (Oswald's fellow employees) reported that Oswald was on the 1st floor at the time of the assassination. Oswald said that he was on the first floor watching the motorcade procession go down Elm Street. American Press photographer James Altgens captured this on film and it ostensibly corroborates Oswald's story. The Altgens' photo shows Oswald standing in the Texas School Book Depository doorway located on the first floor near the corner of Houston Street and Elm Street watching the motorcade pass by. Oswald is pictured wearing a white T-shirt with a mottled long

sleeved work shirt over top, unbuttoned to midline. Later, an arrest photograph shows Oswald wearing the same white T-shirt and long sleeved work shirt unbuttoned to midline - all clothing items are identically represented in the Altgens' photo. The Warren Commission denied this as Oswald being represented in the Altgens' photo and claimed it to be another TSBD employee, Billy Lovelady, whom the Warren Commission said could pass as "Oswald's twin." However, the late (d. 1979) Billy Lovelady had sandy coloured hair slicked backwards and the Altgens' photo shows a man with black hair combed to the side like Oswald. To add insult to injury, the Warren Commission conveniently states that witnesses corroborate the fact that Oswald went home to change his shirt. Billy Lovelady believed that he (referring to himself) was sitting on the steps eating his lunch as the presidential motorcade passed-by. However, the man in the picture is shown standing. Marguerite Oswald, mother of the accused assassin, positively identified her son as the man standing in the Altgen's photo. Carolyn Arnold, TSBD employee and Oswald's workmate, verified seeing

Oswald on the first floor near the front door (the area of the Altgen's photo) at approximately 12:25 p.m. The HSCA had anthropologists examine the Altgen's photo and they could only conclude, in vague terms, that it was "probably" Lovelady in the photo. [Gee, I'm convinced!]

\*\*\*\*\*

Within 90 seconds of the shooting, a Dallas deputy, Marion Baker, upon hearing 3 shots fired from above, and seeing pigeons flying from the TSBD's roof, ran into the TSBD, thereby becoming the first police officer to enter the building. According to Pauline Sanders, a TSBD employee, she witnessed a white helmeted officer [Marion Baker] run into the TSBD within ten seconds of the shooting. Officer Baker encountered Oswald seated in the lunchroom located on the 2nd floor calmly finishing off a Coca-Cola, apparently unfazed by the ongoing bedlam. Oswald was not out of breath and was not perspiring and appeared to be calm. NOTE: Officer Baker had his gun drawn and pointed at Oswald's abdomen. Roy Truly, the TSBD's manager was escorting Baker through the building en route to the top floor - via the staircase - when Roy Truly realised Baker was no longer following him. He back tracked after losing Baker in the stairs, only to find Baker inside the second floor cafeteria pointing his revolver at Oswald. Truly reassured Baker that Oswald was an employee at the TSBD. Did Ruby succeed where Baker failed?

\*\*\*\*\*

In 1964, the Warren Commission, in its final report argued that **only 3** shots were fired.

In 1979, the HSCA, in its final report argued that 4 shots were fired, revealing that a "minor" conspiracy did occur in the assassination of JFK.

The Cambridge acoustics laboratory of Bolt, Beranek and Newman (BBN) was recommended to the HSCA by the Acoustical Society of America. Its chief acoustics' scientist, Dr. James Barger (who also was hired by late Judge John J. Sirica to examine the Watergate Tapes in 1973<sup>40</sup>)

determined that 6 shots were found on the DCPD's dictabelt recording. However, the HSCA, accepted only 4 shots in order to advance its own conclusions. This resignation of duty was attributed to the fact that the House Committee ran out of money and could not analyse the remaining two impulses - numbered 1 and 6 - on the Dallas Dictabelt recording. Imagine that, the most concrete scientific evidence supporting the conspiracy assertion of the crime of the century and the Committee decided it could not pursue the issue because it claimed to have run out of funds!?!

Since 1963, researchers, critics, and Dealey Plaza witnesses have argued that up to 7 shots were fired.

Secret Service officer Roy Kellerman (seated beside driver William Greer in the Presidential limousine) testified that the shots came in flurries and up to 16 shots were fired in Dealey Plaza. "Flurry" could indicate automatic weaponry or more than one shooter.

\*\*\*\*\*

Witnesses argued that Jack Ruby was in front of the TSBD at the time of the assassination. A crowd photograph shows someone fitting Jack Ruby's physical stature and dress standing in front of the TSBD. (Pass for Ruby's twin?) He was also seen by a journalist in the Dal-Tex building 20 minutes prior to the assassination. According to Georgia Mayor, employee at the Dallas Morning News, she found Jack Ruby seated at her desk looking out the window over Dealey Plaza during the time of the assassination at approximately 12:30 p.m.<sup>41</sup> Jack Ruby denied being in Dealey Plaza during Kennedy's assassination and the Warren Commission accepted Ruby's denial.

Seth Kantor, a journalist and author of The Ruby Cover-Up, argued that Jack Ruby was at Parkland Hospital and that he had in fact talked to Ruby just after Kennedy was taken into Trauma room #1, at Parkland Hospital.<sup>42</sup> Ruby and Kantor knew each other on a casual basis. Again, Jack Ruby denied this and again the Warren Commission accepted Ruby's denial as the truth. In 1978, however, the HSCA acknowledged Mr.

Kantor's story about meeting Jack Ruby at Parkland Hospital as factually correct.

Penn Jones, JFK researcher, author (Forgive My Grief) and Texas newspaper editor (The Midlothian Mirror), a photojournalist at the time of the JFK assassination, had taken a picture at Parkland Hospital while Kennedy was still in Trauma Rm. #1. This picture shows that Jack Ruby was in fact at Parkland Hospital at the time when doctors there were working, a fury to futility, to save JFK's life. The Warren Commission did not take this photograph into evidence.

Ruby claimed that he killed Oswald to spare Jacqueline and Caroline Kennedy the anguish of trial. This was a lie. A note in Ruby's handwriting smuggled out from Ruby's jail cell, published in 1967 by Newsweek, establishes that Ruby flatly invented that story to advantage his trial defense. The note, disclosed by Newsweek, from Ruby to Joe Tonahill read:

"Joe, you should know this. Tom Howard told me to say that I shot Oswald so that Caroline and Mrs. Kennedy wouldn't have to come to Dallas to testify. OK?"<sup>43</sup>

\*\*\*\*\*

Penn Jones has found that 188 key witnesses (people who held relevant information), have died "convenient deaths" since the JFK assassination. 18 key material witnesses died within three years after the assassination. The London Times reported that the odds of this randomly occurring are 100-thousand trillion to one. These 18 mysterious deaths are attributed to the following:

- 6 Gunfire
- 3 Motor Accidents
- 2 Suicide
- 1 Cut Throat
- 1 Karate Chop to Neck
- 3 Heart Attacks
- 2 Natural Causes

To heighten suspicion, when the HSCA asked six top FBI agents to testify before the Committee, all six agents died within a 6-month time frame from June to November 1977.

On June 19, 1975 Mafia kingpin Sam Giancana, head of the Chicago Mafia, was gunned down before he could testify before the HSCA. The HSCA was only in the planning stages of formation when Giancana was murdered. However, Sam Giancana appeared before the Church Committee on June 6, 1975 which was investigating intelligence activities - i.e., CIA assassination programs. The body of Johnny Roselli, a mob underling, was found dismembered in a 45-gallon drum at Miami's Biscayne Bay in 1976 just after testifying before the House Committee. Both Sam Giancana and John Roselli were heavily involved in CIA-Mafia assassination plots. Jimmy Hoffa went missing on July 30, 1975, shortly after appearing before the Church Committee, after rumours began to circulate that the House was setting up a committee to investigate the deaths of JFK and Martin Luther King. It has been said, "When the underworld has a fellowship with institutions and charismatics in North America, nobody is safe."

\*\*\*\*\*

Historian, author, and researcher, John Judge speculates that the "umbrella man" standing in front of the Stemmons Freeway sign on Elm Street inflicted JFK's throat wound using a CIA silencer-enhanced, small calibre umbrella gun.<sup>44</sup> The CIA had fifty working models of umbrella guns which they planned on using in their attempts to assassinate Cuba's Fidel Castro. \*Note: Some researchers speculate that the umbrella man's open umbrella (pictured in Dealey Plaza) symbolised the *umbrella cover* of air support President Kennedy failed to provide in the 1961 Bay of Pigs invasion. Another speculation is that it was emblematic of the *umbrella* of secrecy surrounding the "Inga Arvad Affair" - that is, Kennedy's love affair with journalist Inga Arvad, the Danish beauty, alleged by the FBI of being a Nazi-agent during WWII. Adding insult to injury, Joseph Kennedy's open admiration of the Nazi regime resulted in his forced resignation as U.S. Ambassador to Britain, which also created future problems for the young President. John Kennedy's

involvement with alleged Nazi spy Inga Arvad in 1942 was not forgotten during his term in office (FBI director J. Edgar Hoover had secret dossiers on Kennedy's affair with Arvad). Adding to the problem was Hoover's knowledge of Joseph Kennedy's (Jack's father) indifference, for lack of a better word, to Hitler's **Final Solution** program calling for the extermination of the Jews. (As an anti-Semite, Joseph Kennedy's hopes for the presidency could advance no further than those of dreams. However, his dreams could be fulfilled by his second oldest son, Jack.)

\*\*\*\*\*

The type of bullet used in the Kennedy head shot was thought to be from either a high calibre 45 (a live .45 calibre bullet was found during construction on the grassy knoll some time after the assassination) or a frangible (exploding) bullet which explodes on impact causing the hit object to go in all directions.<sup>45</sup> However, the evidence suggests that the frangible bullet spewed most of Kennedy's brain matter, blood and skull to the back and the left. The force exerted from this exploding bullet lifted President Kennedy up from his seat and forced him backwards at 100.3 feet per second.

Deputy Seymour Weitzman found a piece of human skull located 10-15 feet to the left rear of the motorcade.

The day following the assassination, a medical student found a piece of (Kennedy's) occipital bone located approximately 25 feet to the south rear of the point where Kennedy received the fatal head shot. This strongly suggests a shot from the front.

Officer Bobby Hargis, a motorcycle officer riding in the motorcade to the left-rear of the Kennedy limousine, was splattered with Kennedy's brain matter with such force that he fell off his motorcycle thinking he had been shot.

Officer James Chaney, a motorcycle police officer riding to the right-rear of the

Kennedy car, saw Kennedy struck by the fatal head shot and the President's brain matter thrown backwards.

Marilyn Sitzman, Zapruder's receptionist, saw Kennedy hit in the front between his right eye and ear. "Grey and pink matter poured out of the side of his head."

In fact, all brain matter and skull pieces were found *south of and behind the Kennedy kill zone* and nowhere else - again suggesting the fatal head shot came from the front!

\*\*\*\*\*

In 1971 Jackie Kennedy testified before the Ramsey Clark Panel that immediately after the fatal head shot, she in fact was retrieving a piece of JFK's skull from the trunk of the limousine, and not helping Secret Service agent Clint Hill on to the limousine (a 1961 Lincoln Continental: *Presidential*), as both the Warren Commission and CBS's Dan Rather had led Americans to believe.

\*\*\*\*\*

More bullet fragments were taken from Governor John Connally than are missing from the Magic-Bullet, aka the *Pristine Bullet* Commission Exhibit (CE) 399. More fragments remain in John Connally today than are missing from the Magic-Bullet CE399.

The Neutron-Activation Analysis (NAA), is the most technically conclusive evidence demonstrating the impossibility of the Magic-Bullet Theory. We now know that the FBI arranged the NAA test to be done by the Atomic Energy Commission and had the key components of the results concealed from the Warren Commission. For example, the NAA test was used in 1961 by two Swedish scientists to prove that Napoleon had actually been murdered by gradual arsenic poisoning (ruling out the previous fact that Napoleon died of stomach cancer). The NAA method is to bombard the specimen material with neutrons and then

measure the emissions produced. The premise: any difference in atomic structure of two materials, however infinitesimal (parts per billion), will be observable in these emissions. In this case, the bullet fragments taken from Connally's wrist were compared with the material taken from the Magic-Bullet CE399 using NAA. If the fragments were from the same bullet, they would give off *precisely* the same emissions under neutron activation. Pittsburgh coroner, Cyril Wecht supports the NAA method as "one of the most powerful and sophisticated forensic science methods ever developed."<sup>46</sup> Neutron activation analysis is so precise it's called "nuclear fingerprinting."

Neutron-activation analysis was used to compare bullet fragments: taken from Governor Connally's wrist; found on the hospital stretcher (CE 399); found on the limousine seat's cushion; removed from President Kennedy's head; taken from the arm of Connally; taken from rear floor board carpet of the limousine.

**Conclusion of NAA:** The bullet fragments from Governor Connally's wrist and the Magic-Bullet CE399 were not of the same bullet.

President Kennedy's jacket shows a bullet hole located approximately 6 inches below the top of the collar, at the 3rd thoracic vertebra, but the Bethesda *autopsists* made it look like the back wound was closer to the base of Kennedy's neck by the 1st thoracic vertebra. By doing this, the Bethesda *autopsists* helped to later corroborate the Warren Commission's *Single-Bullet Theory* of the throat wound being an exit wound. Did this corroboration occur before the Single-Bullet theory existed? Or, was the theory already in existence? I am suspicious about Dr. James Boswell's act of burning most of his original autopsy notes shortly after hearing about Oswald's death. The Bethesda version of the throat wound contravened 13 doctors and nurses at Parkland Hospital, all of whom believed Kennedy's throat wound was a wound of "entrance."

When asked to explain why the bullet hole was so low on Kennedy's jacket, Gerald Ford of the Warren Commission explained it was because Kennedy's coat was all "bunched up." The Warren Commission, however, failed to explain the bullet hole in Kennedy's shirt. The back brace corset supporting Kennedy's back did not allow his shirt to bunch-up, reinforcing the logic that his coat did **not** bunch-up either. The Warren Report contends that the back wound is a point of entrance from a rear shot and the throat wound is the point of exit resulting from that same shot. How does Kennedy's coat allegedly get "bunched up?" It can't be when Kennedy is grasping at his throat because the back wound is allegedly already there - if in fact the throat wound is the result of the same bullet as the back wound. A picture [Willis Slide 5] taken from the rear of the limousine just before Kennedy clutches his throat, shows that his coat is perfectly flat on his back and **not** "bunched up" as the Warren Commission speculated.

\*\*\*\*\*

The two men (who are dressed in Dallas City Police uniforms) pictured in many post assassination photographs escorting the three tramps away from Dealey Plaza cannot be identified, to this day, as Dallas City Police Officers. No police records exist indicating these two ever worked for the Dallas City Police. Also, their identities are unknown. These two unidentified officers, photographed with their shotguns down by their sides, are configured inconspicuously, with the first officer positioned 10 feet in front of the three tramps and the second officer situated 10 feet behind them. John Judge, assassination researcher, speculates that this "practice" of removing assassin teams safely out of the area is commonly employed by the intelligence community to avoid detection by real police officers.

For many years the identities of the three tramps were in question. But in early 1992 an arrest file suddenly was found in the Dallas Police Archives, showing the tramps' true identities. The first tramp is Harry

Doyle. The second is John Lawrence Gedneys, and the third is Gus Abrahms. The latter two, after the assassination, were never seen or heard from again. These two tramps, it was thought in conspiracy circles, were convicted killer Charles Harrelson (father of Woody Harrelson from CHEERS) and CIA contract agent E. Howard Hunt. Hunt claimed that he was in Washington on November 22, 1963, the time of the assassination, either eating at a Chinese food restaurant or shopping at a grocery store called "Wah Ling." It turned out that the name of the establishment was nonexistent in Washington at that time.<sup>47</sup>

\*\*\*\*\*

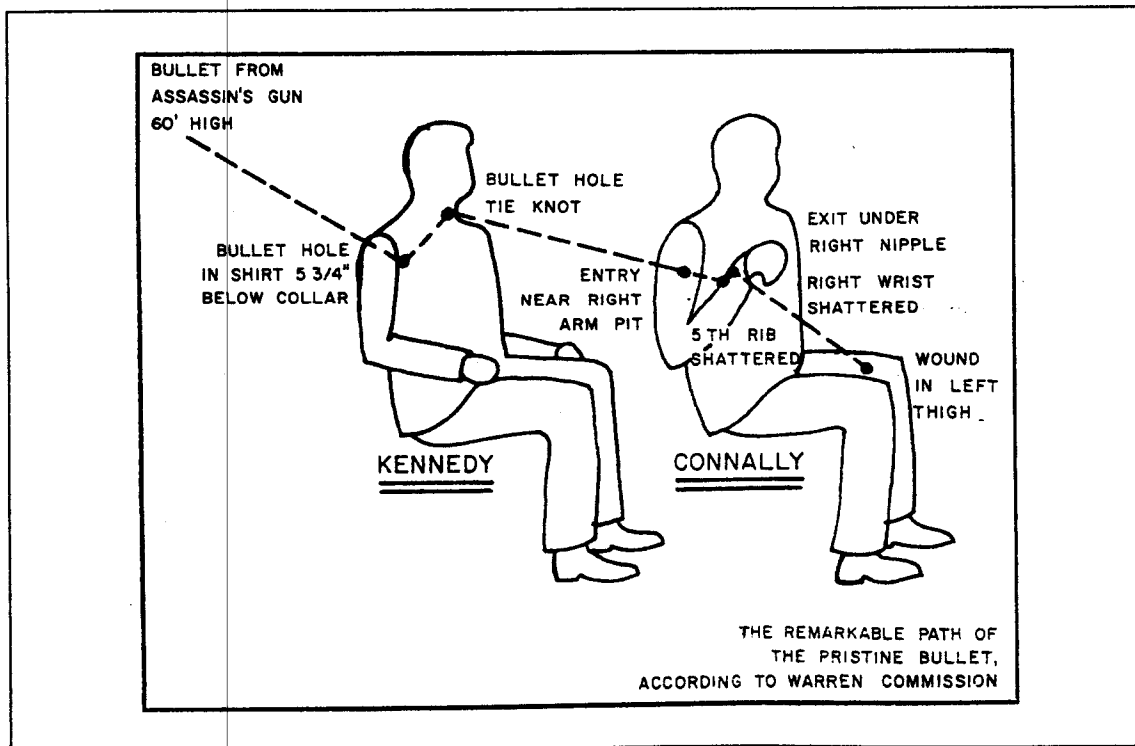
The critics of the Magic-Bullet Theory assert that **any** bullet that could: inflict 7 wounds in two men; break 4 inches of Connally's fifth rib; shatter the radius bone in Connally's wrist; be found 5 miles away on a gurney in absolutely pristine condition - is physically impossible.

The acoustics evidence listed below shows

the timing of the shots from the Dallas Police dictabelt recording.

- Shot number 1 = 0 seconds
- Shot number 2 = 1.65 seconds.
- Shot number 3 = 7.56 seconds.
- Shot number 4 = 8.31 seconds.

The last two shots of the four occur at 7.56 and 8.31 seconds after the first shot was fired. The time separating these two shots is .75 of one second. Based on this timing fact alone, the House Committee had to conclude that **two** shooters were in Dealey Plaza.<sup>48</sup> Moreover, the acoustics evidence shows that the second shot occurs 1.65 seconds after the first shot. This acoustics evidence and the timing dilemma clearly prove that Oswald could not have shot three times, as two of the four shots had to come from locations other than the alleged 6th Floor Sniper's lair of the TSBD.<sup>49</sup> From the timing chart above, as defined by the acoustics experts, one must conclude: shot #1 hit Kennedy in the throat; shot #2 hit Connally; shot #3 hit Kennedy in the back; shot #4 hit Kennedy in



the head. Then, what were the effects of the other two impulses on the dictabelt recording, if in fact they were gunshots? I'm extremely curious about the effects of these two impulses, and if in fact they were gunshots. I think one of the remaining two shots missed completely or ricocheted causing bystander Jim Tague's injury.

The critics also add that the Single-Bullet Theory fails a simple test of the laws of mathematics, because the absolute minimum time to fire two shots from a bolt action 6.5 calibre Mannlicher Carcano rifle is 2.3 seconds. The Zapruder film shows a reaction time greater than 1.6 seconds but less than 1.8 seconds between Kennedy's and Connally's wounds. Since this particular bullet travels at a velocity greater than 2000 feet per second, Kennedy's and Connally's reactions should be visually simultaneous if in fact one bullet caused all the non-fatal wounds in both men. Dr. Robert G. Shaw, the Parkland physician who attended Connally's wounds, does not believe that anyone could have a delayed reaction to such a massive wound that involved a collapsed lung. The reaction time between Kennedy and Connally fails to support the Single-Bullet Theory. In addition, it is physically impossible for two shots to have been fired from the same gun (the Mannlicher Carcano) in the time needed - that is, in the required 1.6 seconds.

Therefore, the non-fatal wounds in both men did not come from one bullet - the Magic-Bullet - but rather from two shooters. The timing factor dictates beyond a reasonable doubt, in this example, that the non-fatal wounds to both Kennedy and Connally came from two different shooters. From this fact alone we have the basis of a conspiracy.

Also, there was not enough time for one shooter to get off three shots from the time the presidential limousine emerged from behind a row of trees in front of the TSBD until the limousine reached the kill zone.

The Warren Commission proposed that Governor Connally had a delayed reaction to

his wounds in order to account for the timing dilemma between Kennedy and Connally's initial reactions to being shot. However, Parkland doctor, Robert G. Shaw who attended Governor Connally's wounds disputes the Commission's assertion, stating that he doesn't believe anyone could have a delayed reaction to such a massive wound.

The researchers **shots/effects** assertion:

- Shot #1: Originated behind the picket fence and struck JFK in the throat.
  - Shot #2: Originated from the Dal-Tex building and struck JFK in the back.
  - Shot #3: Originated from the SW corner of the TSBD and struck Connally.
  - Shot #4: Originated from the Dal-Tex building and a fragment hit bystander James Tague.
  - Shot #5: Originated from the TSBD and moved Kennedy forward.
  - Shot #6: Originated from the picket fence. The fatal head shot.
- NOTE:** Shots numbered 5 and 6 were nearly simultaneous.

\*\*\*\*\*

The first call Bobby Kennedy made after his brother's assassination was to the Director of the CIA. He asked him forthrightly, "Did the CIA kill my brother?" The Director was equally forthright in his response, "No!" Why did Bobby Kennedy do this?

Three days prior to his own assassination in 1968, Bobby Kennedy delivered a speech with a cryptic message contending that the only way to resolve his brother's assassination would be through the powers of the presidency: "I now fully realize that only the powers of the presidency will reveal the secrets of my brother's death." [Quote from Jim Marrs' book, Crossfire, page 589.] When Bobby Kennedy was asked about his thoughts on his brother's assassination he responded with: "I cannot speak openly and publicly about this now, there are guns between me and the White House. And if I win that California Primary, I'll have the nomination and I'll speak out." Within two



days of these remarks, RFK was assassinated. This grand inference obviously suggests that Bobby had reservations about the official version of the assassination and he felt that the only way to circumvent the collective powers of the CIA, FBI, Secret Service, DIA, NSA, and the Pentagon was through the presidency.

After the release of the Warren Commission Report in September 1964, Robert Kennedy had grave doubts about the report's integrity and privately hired foreign intelligence assets from Britain and France to look further into the assassination. The results, after four years of private investigation, came in the form of a book called Farewell America. The book reaffirms the conspiracy notion, and by using a diagram it illustrates that five shooters were involved in the assassination of President Kennedy. Three days before the book was published, Robert Kennedy was assassinated.

Before delegating his authority as Attorney-General to Deputy Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach, Bobby halted the CIA's investigation of Castro's involvement in President Kennedy's murder. The CIA led the crusade to convince Americans that Castro orchestrated Kennedy's assassination. The CIA didn't care who killed Kennedy, as long as Castro was blamed - the ends justified the means politically for the CIA, always.

\*\*\*\*\*

The Zapruder film, by clothing manufacturer Abraham Zapruder on his 15-18.3 frames per second 8-mm Bell & Howell movie camera, is the most viewed and analysed film of the assassination. It was first shown nationally on television in 1975, 12 years after President Kennedy's assassination. This was accomplished mainly because of Harold Weisberg's Freedom of Information Act case which, due to his legal efforts, became amended in 1974. After such a long period, recollection of the historical accuracy of events can become very cloudy, to say the least.

In 1963, Life magazine's Richard Stolley bought all the rights to the Zapruder film for \$150,000 in \$25,000 instalments, beating out CBS proxy Dan Rather's maximum bid of \$10,000. Mr. Rather immediately returned to the news station to report live, stating on the air that he had seen the Zapruder film showing President Kennedy being shot from behind. Rather's words were: [paraphrased] - a shot struck Kennedy in the head from behind throwing the President's head violently forward.<sup>50</sup> Anyone who has seen the Zapruder film can plainly see that President Kennedy is thrown violently backwards and not forward as Dan Rather had claimed. Why did he confuse the direction in which Kennedy was thrown? [\*Author's note: it is important to note that the Zapruder film was in the CIA's film laboratory almost immediately after the assassination.<sup>51</sup>] Years later, Dan Rather retracted his original statement. Life magazine showed the Zapruder film to only a few of its journalists and researchers. But which versions of this film were the journalists and researchers shown? As there were allegedly three different versions of Zapruder's film - all of which were cut and spliced. Why was this done?! Life magazine vehemently denies this allegation. I'm more curious about why the CIA's film laboratory had the Zapruder film and what they did with it while it was in their possession?

The Zapruder film was shown for the first time to private citizens serving on a Grand Jury during Jim Garrison's prosecution of Clay Shaw. After viewing this film and hearing the evidence, the Grand Jury was convinced beyond a reasonable doubt that a conspiracy existed and immediately sought to indict Clay Shaw in 1967 for complicity in the JFK assassination. However, it took two years to get to trial and the case against Clay Shaw was immediately dismissed in 1969 due to the suspicious testimony of alleged CIA plant Charles Spiesel.

The mystery of the Zapruder film piqued the curiosity of researchers, journalists, and scholars. Finally, due to the unrelenting

efforts of Harold Weisberg, the Freedom of Information Act was amended in 1974 allowing copies of the Zapruder film to be distributed among select groups of scholars (resisted by Life magazine). They were allowed to study and analyse it for the first time. At one point it was discovered by researcher David Lifton that two frames immediately following frame Z313 were in reverse order and frames Z208 to Z211 were completely missing from the film's transcribed slide version. These four frames were deleted from the final 26 volume Warren Commission Report.

The American public's first glimpse of the Zapruder film occurred on a late-night television show hosted by Geraldo Rivera in 1975 (March 6) called *Goodnight America*, twelve years after President Kennedy's assassination. This time lapse warrants suspicion in itself. We now know that Time-Life Corporation was responsible for holding the Zapruder film back from the American public. It is obvious that Time-Life Corporation was not serving the American people's best interests by holding back the Zapruder film for 12 years! Whose interests were they serving by this action?

I know that an unedited non-spliced version of the Zapruder film must exist, based on the obvious break in continuity of the images that occur in the publicly available version(s) at the moment in the film when the President's limousine emerges from behind the Stemmons Freeway sign. Why does this splice exist?

\*\*\*\*\*

**\*NOTE:** This section will briefly talk about alleged bullets not entered into evidence. A bullet found in the Presidential limousine could not be traced to the alleged Oswald gun - the 6.5 calibre Mannlicher Carcano. Therefore, it was not entered into evidence. A bullet found by an unidentified FBI agent was witnessed by a Dallas Police officer and American Press photographer. The FBI agent found the bullet in the grass near a curb along the south side of Elm Street

along the kill zone. This bullet was also not entered into evidence.

An alleged bullet removed from Kennedy at Bethesda Naval Hospital was never entered into evidence. This bullet was corroborated by an FBI report written by agents J. Sibert and "FX" O'Neill stating that a "missile" was recovered from President Kennedy's body. The word *missile* implies: whole-bullet and not a fragment.<sup>52</sup>

A bullet hitting the curb where spectator James Tague was standing, below the railway overpass on the centre island, caused a piece of concrete to cut Mr. Tague's cheek. This bullet was never found.

A bullet had grazed or passed through the Stemmons Freeway Exit sign from the direction of the grassy knoll, prompting the FBI and the Warren Commission to delete four frames, Z208 through Z211, of the Zapruder film, from being illustrated in its final report. Since the reintroduction of these four frames, black marks or lines seem to be superimposed onto the frames. However, from the available data there is no way to prove this hypothesis. Some speculate that the splice and black lines were done to conceal the fact that someone was in fact shooting from the grassy knoll and had shot through the Stemmons Freeway sign (a spectrograph test may show a light source being emitted through the sign if we had the original, *unretouched* and unedited film taken from Zapruder's camera). The "Stemmons Freeway" sign was removed from Dealey Plaza one day after the assassination.<sup>53</sup>

A bullet skid mark was found on the sidewalk on the North side of Elm Street over which a Secret Service vehicle quickly parked.

All this added up to more bullets than the Warren Commission could allow - especially if it was to uphold its lone assassin theory. So, the Warren Commission simply disregarded the evidence that failed to advance its single assassin theory: Three shots fired from behind, of which, one missed. It has been argued that up to six

bullets were never recovered - that is, if one believes seven shots were fired? And six shots if one disregards the *single-bullet theory*.

Lt. Carl Day was the officer who identified the first gun found in the TSBD as a 7.65 calibre German Mauser. The television media also initially reported that German Mausers were found in the TSBD.<sup>54</sup> (In his book Farewell America, James Hepburn, a pseudonym [this name has the same number of letters as Bobby Kennedy], believes Mausers were used to assassinate President Kennedy).<sup>55</sup>

Oswald said that he had seen Mausers [plural emphasis by author] in the TSBD prior to the assassination. One was admittedly brought in by the TSBD manager Roy Truly two days prior to the assassination.

\*\*\*\*\*

If Oswald was intent on killing Kennedy why did he use only one frangible bullet? (An "exploding bullet" that disintegrates on impact). And why only for the final and fatal head shot? Critics, over the years, reason that an assassin determined to kill the President of the United States would not use such an archaic and useless weapon as the Italian Mannlicher Carcano. The Mannlicher Carcano during WWII was nicknamed the "humanitarian rifle" because it saved many lives through its inaccuracy. It could not hit its intended target.

Why were the three spent shells found in the 6th floor in the sniper's lair of the TSBD all the same 6.5 calibre (none were frangible), and from the same lot? If the back and throat wounds to Kennedy and the wounds to Connally's 5th rib and radius bone were caused by the same calibre bullets as the head wound, then why are these wounds so radically different and incompatible in nature? Why didn't Oswald use frangible bullets for all three shots? And if Oswald did not use a frangible bullet to administer the fatal head shot, then someone else did. Military records show Oswald was a poor

shot: "Oswald finished his military shooting career with a score only 1 point above the minimum qualification level needed to achieve the lowest scaled rating" . . . in the category of a rather "poor shot"<sup>56</sup> How could Oswald, then, have been so extremely confident in his shooting ability, to use the exploding bullet **third** in sequence, after allegedly missing his first or second shot?!

[NOTE: Years later during construction near the picket fence a live .45 calibre bullet was unearthed on the grassy knoll.]

Also, in 1971 a spent "full metal jacket" bullet casing was found on top of the Dallas Records building. Reverting to 1963-64, the Warren Commission dismissed all questions and evidence falling outside its focused agenda of a single assassin. And today, the Establishment toils in the continuity of this legacy.

\*\*\*\*\*

One very important piece of evidence was the presidential limousine. President Kennedy's successor Lyndon B. Johnson hurried to have it refurbished before the slain president was even buried. The Kennedy death limousine was first shipped to Washington, then to Buffalo in New York State, and finally to Detroit, where it was completely refurbished. The limousine's body and windows were replaced. The interior was completely gutted, by that destroying **three** crucial areas of evidence:

1. Bullet strikes/paths/fragments.
2. Blood patterns and directions.
3. JFK and John Connally's exact positions to each other during the assassination. This was all accomplished within five days of Kennedy's assassination.

The Warren Commission, since it was established by Lyndon B. Johnson on November 29, 1963 after the limousine was refurbished, was prevented from examining the Kennedy limousine for evidence. The Warren Commission relied upon the FBI for all information relating to the limousine. I believe that the limousine evidence would

have disproved the Magic-Bullet Theory and the contention of a single assassin.

The FBI secretly filed the limousine evidence, identified all the refurbished parts, placed them into an FBI warehouse and made them forever inaccessible. One might speculate that this evidence would have been open for all to examine, if such evidence was not damaging to a group having the power to seal it from all scrutiny.

\*\*\*\*\*

Jim Burt witnessed two men running away from slain officer J.D. Tippit's police car. One man was stocky in build (fitting Dallas patrol Officer Roscoe White's description), and the other man's description resembled Lee Harvey Oswald. Acquilla Clemmons also saw two men fleeing from Officer Tippit's car just after the shots rang out. She said the man who had shot Officer Tippit was short and stocky with short curly cropped hair and not Lee Harvey Oswald. Acquilla Clemmons lived across the street from the J. D. Tippit murder scene. The bullets recovered from Officer Tippit's body could not be traced to Oswald's revolver. It was thought to have come from an automatic handgun. On the afternoon of President Kennedy and Officer Tippit's murder, Sgt. Gerry Hill was interviewed by CBS: "What kind of weapon did he [Oswald] use to kill the officer with, Gerry?" Gerry replied, "A thirty-eight snub nose that was fired twice, and both shots hit the officer in the head." Psychological Stress Evaluator tests taken later showed that Sergeant Hill was lying when he said "fired twice." Tippit was shot four times. And as Robert Groden points out in his book High Treason, "No evidence was ever presented that the handgun attributed to Oswald was ever fired, and there were no fingerprints on it at all, indicating that it was wiped clean, and had likely been planted on Oswald."<sup>57</sup> This reeks of CIA involvement!

\*\*\*\*\*

Mortician Paul Groody argues that individuals identifying themselves as FBI agents fingerprinted and palm printed Lee Harvey Oswald at the Miller funeral home. Groody and his associates found ink on Oswald's fingers, hand and palm. The Dallas City Police failed initially to find Oswald's prints on the Mannlicher Carcano rifle. The FBI also in subsequent tests failed to find any prints, and they reported this back to the Dallas Police Department. When the alleged death rifle was returned to the Dallas Police Department, a palm print was mysteriously found.

In 1981, Oswald was exhumed from his vault at the Rose Hill cemetery. Mortician Paul Groody argued that the concrete casing around the coffin was cracked, indicating someone between 1963 and 1981 had disturbed the tomb. During the exhumation, Paul Groody handled the removal of the alleged Oswald body and immediately noticed that no autopsy marks (craniotomy) were on the skull. An autopsy had been performed on Oswald in 1963 where a craniotomy (removing the skull's cap) had been performed, leaving permanent marks on the skull. These autopsy craniotomy marks on the skull could never fade or be removed. But during Oswald's exhumation in 1981, his head showed that no autopsy had been performed. By contrast, Dr. Linda Norton, spokesperson at Baylor University (Waco, Texas), where the autopsy was performed, said they have confirmed that the body exhumed was in fact "L. H. Oswald." This determination was made by comparing his teeth with his military dental records. Mortician Paul Groody suspected that a cover-up was occurring and that the people responsible for JFK's assassination were behind the cover-up. Then who was autopsied in 1963?

\*\*\*\*\*

Bill Newman said he heard the third and fourth shots come from the grassy knoll. "... the third shot was fired from directly behind [us], towards the grassy knoll."<sup>58</sup>

Mary Woodward-- " . . . the shots came from the direction of the grassy knoll".<sup>59</sup>

Beverly Oliver-- " . . . the shots came from the area of the picket fence on the grassy knoll."<sup>60</sup>

Orville Nix-- " . . . shots came from behind the picket fence up on the knoll. There's no doubt in my mind that the shot [head shot] came from behind the picket fence." This quotation is what Mr. Nix tried to tell the Warren Commission but they would not have anything to do with it. The Warren Commission brow beat Mr. Nix and twisted his official testimony.<sup>61</sup>

Charles Brehm was standing on the middle island as he witnessed the assassination and recognised the shots as rifle shots from his army experience.<sup>62</sup>

Ed Hoffman saw two men at the car park area behind the picket fence. One man was dressed in a dark suit, tie and overcoat. The second man was dressed in railway coveralls and cap. The first man shot Kennedy, then turned toward the second man, who disassembled the gun and placed it into a railroad brakeman's tool bag behind a utility box in the direction of the railway tracks. Both men then casually walked away in opposite directions from the murder scene. The man with the tool bag walked toward the tracks in the direction of the rail yard tower where Lee Bowers also witnessed this. Mr. Hoffman reported what he had seen to the FBI, but the FBI did not want Mr. Hoffman to say anything about what he had seen to anybody. They offered him money to remain silent. Due to Mr. Hoffman being a deaf-mute, communication was difficult between him and the FBI. Mr. Hoffman's account went *unpublicised* and is fully corroborated by FBI documents.<sup>63</sup>

Lee Bowers testified before the Warren Commission, but was too scared to testify about everything he saw. He confided this to his minister, and to his close friend Walter Rischel, stating that he had seen two men

carrying rifles behind the stockade fence and had seen both men shooting. Penn Jones corroborates this "full story" version, adding that Lee Bowers had also confided this information in him.<sup>64</sup>

Beverly Oliver, the *Babushka Lady* who had her 8-mm film of the assassination confiscated allegedly by the FBI, claimed that when her friend Jada worked for Jack Ruby as a stripper in his nightclub, the Carousel Club, Ruby introduced both Jada and herself (Beverly Oliver was a singer in the club next door to Ruby's club) to a man named "Lee Oswald," whom she later identified from media pictures as Lee Harvey Oswald. Beverly quoted Ruby's introduction which she believes is verbatim: "This is my friend Lee Oswald from the CIA." At the age of 18, Oliver was not familiar with the CIA and thought nothing about it.<sup>65</sup>

A photograph exists showing Clay Shaw, David Ferrie (a key figure in the JFK assassination), and Lee Harvey Oswald together at a party.<sup>66</sup>

Paul O'Connor, technician at the Bethesda Naval Medical Centre at the time of the Kennedy autopsy, admitted that the JFK autopsy was very controlled and falsified, and that all participants were forced to maintain silence under the laws of general court martial.<sup>67</sup>

In 1988, Dr. Robert McClelland, Parkland Hospital physician at the time when JFK was assassinated, said that he believed there was a conspiracy and cover-up in the JFK assassination . . . "Somebody is concealing the whole plot. There was somebody on the grassy knoll who shot at the President and blew his head off . . ." <sup>68</sup> Dr. McClelland said that Kennedy's throat wound was, at the time of his admission to Parkland Hospital, the size of the end of a small finger (3 to 5-mm). In fact, 13 doctors and nurses witnessed the same throat wound and agreed with the assessment.

Dallas Police Officer Joe Marshal Smith, who had run up to the picket fence located

on top of the grassy knoll, noticed a person in a dark black suit and tie standing behind the fence. Officer Smith pointed his gun at this individual and asked who he was and what he was doing back here. Quickly the person pulled out Secret Service credentials. It was later determined that no Secret Service agents were on the ground at Dealey Plaza the day of the presidential motorcade. In fact, all Secret Service men were assigned to the motorcade vehicles.

Burt Griffin, Warren Commission lawyer, alleged that the CIA had lied to the Warren Commission. According to Griffin, the CIA said that it had a recording and film of Oswald (which it subsequently destroyed) in the Cuban Embassy in Mexico.

Arnold Rowland and Betty Rowland, witnesses in Dealey Plaza, noticed two riflemen in the TSBD, one in the east-end window (the alleged sniper's lair) and one in the far west window. Arnold Rowland assumed these riflemen were both Secret Service. After the assassination, Arnold Rowland reported what he and his wife had seen to the FBI, but the FBI said to forget it.<sup>69</sup>

The first gun found in the TSBD was a German Mauser 7.65 calibre rifle and was identified by a metal identifying plate attached to the gun. Mr. Truly, manager of the TSBD, had brought a Mauser to the building two days prior to the assassination.<sup>70</sup>

During a sweep of the TSBD immediately after the assassination, by Officer Luke Mooney and Roger Craig, three spent shells were found lined up neatly in the sniper's lair on the sixth floor. [However, no powder burns were found in the area to indicate a gun was even fired from the alleged sniper's nest.] All three shells faced the same direction and were spread one to two inches apart, as if they had been neatly placed there. Strangely though, the shells were located on the side opposite to the gun's shell ejector.<sup>71</sup>

Also, a book was found near the window of the sniper's lair opened to a picture of Jesus

Christ and under which an inscription read: "Christ leads the way." I suspect that this cryptically implicates the CIA's top man James Jesus Angleton, who despised Kennedy. Angleton felt Kennedy was a setback to the CIA's clandestine operations and made wild allegations that President Kennedy used illicit substances like cocaine and LSD. Besides, if Oswald was a devout Marxist or an alleged Communist, what would he be doing with a bible-related book?

In addition, a half-consumed box of chicken was found near the sniper's lair. What was Oswald's stomach contents during his autopsy . . . any chicken? [If anyone knows this, please, drop me a line.]

The Charles Bronson film shows 2-3 people in the sniper's lair minutes before the assassination. Charles Bronson was standing on the southwest corner of Houston and Main Street shooting film on his 8-mm movie camera as the Presidential motorcade approached Houston Street from Main Street. He panned his movie camera with the motorcade as it drove north along Houston Street toward Elm Street. Bronson kept filming the motorcade as it turned west onto Elm Street, fully exposing the Texas School Book Depository. It is at this point in the film that more than one person is seen in the alleged sniper's lair on the 6th floor of the TSBD. The Warren Commission would not enter the Bronson film into evidence partly because the Commission could not identify the building in question. The film clearly shows the presidential limousine turning from Houston Street onto Elm Street, thus clearly identifying the TSBD. Mr. Bronson filmed this episode while standing on the west side of Houston Street facing north toward the intersection of Houston and Elm Streets.

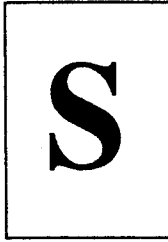
---

**Author's Note:** GVP editor, Chris Jennings, after reading through this section of "remarkable coincidences," said that he couldn't help but come to the conclusion that:

*"Coincidence + Coincidence + Coincidence + More Coincidences = a sum greater than the whole of the parts of all these 'coincidences,' in other words a conspiracy."*

---

# CONSPIRACIES ENCAPSULATED



ince that fateful day of Nov. 22, 1963, conspiracy theories continue to abound. These "conspiracy theories" are less tentatively examined by more and more people as JFK assassination researchers get their message out to the public at large in the form of books and films. The single strongest link between public awareness and the conspiracy angle is Oliver Stone, the director of the highly controversial film *JFK*. Stone, as a result, was labelled an anti-Establishment renegade by his chief critics, the mainstream Establishment, because they feel Stone attempts to justify, in his creation of a "counter myth," a one-sided presentation of the JFK assassination. *Echoes of Conspiracy* publisher, Paul Hoch, calls the Stone film's protagonist, Jim "Dances with Facts" Garrison. The mainstream [Establishmentarians] argue that Stone's film is a territory in which fact intermixes freely with fiction. Oliver Stone rebuffs his critics by saying that his so-called "counter myth" more closely represents the truth than the Warren Commission myth, which the Establishment has endorsed for the last 30 years. Moreover, Stone feels that since the Establishment has had thirty years to present its side of the story, it is unnecessary for him to do so. "Besides," Stone adds, "it's only a 3-hour film." It seems to me that Americans when uncertain about the truth, reduce themselves to creating myths and counter-myths in their search for it.

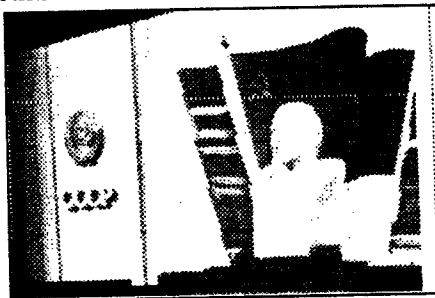
Oliver Stone rationalises:

"What have I done that is so evil in comparison to what the Warren Commission has done? I've created a counter-myth. I have a certain body of facts beyond which I speculate, but my myth, I think, is closer to the truth than their myth."<sup>72</sup> Stone goes on to say, "The movie has served a public purpose in that it has brought together, in one place, all the, I think, pertinent counter-information to the Warren Commission."<sup>73</sup>

Brought together here, in one place, is a definitive list of conspiracy theories and pertinent counter-information:

- |                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Conspirator:</b>  | <b>THE SOVIETS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>The Players:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Premier Nikita Khrushchev    ■ KGB Chairman Yuri Andropov</li><li>■ KGB-agent Yuri Nosenko    ■ Marina Oswald</li><li>■ Alek Hidell (the "second" Oswald, a trained KGB assassin).</li></ul>                                                                                  |
| <b>The Motives:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ The Cuban Missile Crisis was a national chagrin for Krushchev.</li><li>■ American aggression toward one of its satellite countries - Cuba.</li><li>■ U.S. economic <i>containment</i> policies were insidiously strangling the Soviet economy.</li></ul>                      |
| <b>Shortcomings:</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Krushchev liked Kennedy. He realised the risk of ending civilisation in a nuclear confrontation if the Soviets were implicated in JFK's assassination.</li><li>■ The Soviets are documented in trying to kick Oswald out of the USSR; they thought of him as a nut.</li></ul> |

- Media criticised Kennedy for his peace overtures with Moscow: personal letters to Krushchev; open hotline from the White House to the Kremlin. Krushchev, as a gesture of good faith, reciprocated by preventing American-sponsored radio broadcasts from being jammed. Eventually, Kennedy dropped embargoes against Soviets and allowed them to freely purchase world goods.

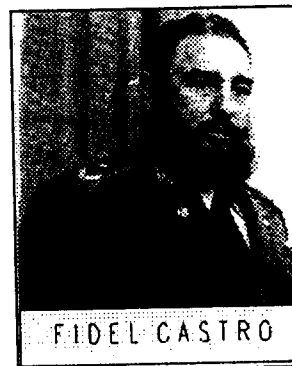


- Kennedy and Krushchev had developed a good working relationship by the fall of 1963. Kennedy was a President who had honed his ability to defuse conflict to a fine art -- Laos, the Bay of Pigs, the Berlin Wall, the Cuban Missile Crisis, and Vietnam. JFK was planning to make the question of peace a major campaign issue in the 1964 election.

**Conspirator:** THE CUBANS

**The Players:** ■ Fidel Castro ■ Raul Castro  
 ■ Ernesto *Che* Guevera ■ Cuban *mechanics*

**The Motives:** ■ The Cuban Missile Crisis.  
 ■ Retaliation for the CIA's planned attempts on Castro's life.  
 ■ U.S. embargoes were devastating Cuba's economy.



**Shortcomings:** ■ Castro liked Kennedy.  
 ■ The Soviets would not allow Castro to assassinate JFK because of the risk of nuclear annihilation due to Cuba's strong ties with the USSR. During the Kennedy years Cuba was a satellite of the USSR and depended upon the Soviets for its economic survival as North and South American countries had trade embargoes in place against Cuba. Cuba had to obey the USSR - its very economic survival depended on its close ally.  
 ■ Killing Kennedy would not resolve the conflict between the U.S. and Cuba under Lyndon B. Johnson. Castro had nothing to gain from a Johnson presidency.

**Conspirator:** THE MOB

**The Players:** ■ Carlos Marcello ■ Santos Trafficante ■ Mob *mechanics*  
 ■ Sam Giancana ■ Jimmy Hoffa  
 ■ Meyer Lansky ■ Jimmy Roselli

**The Motives:** ■ The Kennedys were hard on the Mob during their anti-Mob crusades.  
 ■ The Mob blamed Kennedy for *botching* the Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961 because he did not give it air support. The Mob wanted back into Cuba to resume operations of their gambling casinos, hotels and vices



that earned them a billion dollars annually. They held Kennedy responsible for not winning Cuba back even though Kennedy was not president in 1958-59 when Castro toppled the rightist Batista government. Batista and the Mob owned, almost exclusively, all of Cuba's wealth.



**Shortcomings:**

- The Mob had hit-men other than Oswald
- There is no way the Mob could have orchestrated the extensive cover-up. They could not infiltrate all the government departments and agencies.
- The Mob made it too obvious (there are threats on record) that they wanted Kennedy out of the way.
- John Kennedy had a special working relationship with Sam Giancana - he helped Kennedy in the presidential election.
- Joseph Kennedy had a unique relationship with the Mob.
- John Kennedy, along with the CIA, allegedly recruited the Mob in attempts to assassinate Castro. John Kennedy, according to New York Times reporter Tad Szulc, said that he was against political assassinations.
- Kennedy's younger brother, Attorney-General Robert F. Kennedy, rarely went against the Mob hierarchy. He concentrated his efforts on Mob underlings like Jimmy Hoffa.
- John Kennedy had an affair with Giancana's girlfriend Judith Campbell Exner. Therefore, he was an excellent candidate for blackmail, and the Mob does not kill those it can control.

**Conspirator:**

**THE MONGOOSE TEAM**

**The Players:**

- CIA and Military Intelligence - James J. Angleton, William Harvey, E. Howard Hunt.
- Oilmen - H. L. Hunt and Lester Logue.
- Oswald (used as a "patsy" [see note] - fires cue shot to alert assassins)
- Group 66 (aka The Club)      ■ Cuban Exiles

**The Motives:**

- Kennedy's failed air support at the Bay of Pigs invasion.
- JFK's platform for peace - soft on communism and early *glasnost* of the Cold War with the USSR; coexistence rhetoric with Cuba; planning a complete withdrawal from Vietnam.

**Shortcomings:**

- Government risks its own legitimacy in aiding the Oswald cover-up because the trail eventually leads back to itself. So, they eliminated Oswald.

**NOTE:** The Mongoose conspirators knew that Oswald's capture would ascertain his \*identity

as pro-Cuban and therefore the public would blame the Kennedy assassination on the Castro government and demand Castro be overthrown, possibly by a second Bay of Pigs invasion.



- \*1. Defected to the USSR and, after returning to the U.S., proclaimed on television (H.L. Hunt's TV station) his advocacy of a Marxist-type Socialism.
2. Handed out *Fair Play for Cuba* leaflets.
3. Visited the Cuban and Soviet Embassies in Mexico.

[All these were deliberately staged to make Oswald the plausible fall-guy along with Cuba.]

**Conspirator: THE VIETNAM TEAM**

**The Players:** ■ Ngo Dinh Nhu ■ Diem loyalists  
 ■ non-Oriental *mechanics*

**The Motives:** ■ Retaliation for the CIA's involvement in the assassination of President Ngo Dinh Diem of South Vietnam on November 1, 1963, only three weeks prior to Kennedy's assassination.

**Shortcomings:** ■ The Vietnam Team would certainly not kill Kennedy, because South Vietnam would certainly have lost American support.  
 ■ The time period required for a detailed plan to assassinate President Kennedy was too short (three weeks) for the Vietnam Team to first determine that the CIA caused Diem's death and then setup a perfect assassination scenario half-way around the world.  
 ■ It was impossible for the Vietnam Team to control the cover-up - this fact alone kills [no pun intended] this theory.

**Conspirator: THE ULTRA-RIGHT WING**

**The Players:** ■ H.L. Hunt ■ Bernard Weissman  
 ◆ Joseph Milteer ■ Edwin Walker  
 ■ George de Mohrenshildt ■ Clint Murchison  
 ■ LBJ (after the fact) ■ Clay Shaw  
 ■ David Ferrie ■ Eugene Hale Braden  
 ■ J.D. Tippit ■ Roscoe White  
 ■ Guy Banister ■ Cuban exiles and snipers  
 ■ S-Teams ■ Oswald as the fall guy.

**The Motives:** ■ President Kennedy was losing the war against communism, e.g., backing out of Vietnam and the Bay of Pigs fiasco.  
 ■ Progressively liberal civil rights policies.  
 ■ Financially devastating foreign and domestic policies [The Research Institute of America on June 30, 1962, reported the results of a survey

of 6000 business executives. 52% described the Kennedy administration as "strongly anti-business," 36% as "moderately anti-business," and only 9 percent as "neutral" or "pro-business".]74

- 1962 Congressional bill proposed by Kennedy reducing federal oil depletion allowances thereby increasing federal tax revenues while, simultaneously decreasing millions of dollars in oil profits.

**Shortcomings:** ■ Oil men knew that Congress passed proposed bills into law, not the President; so killing Kennedy to stop the enactment of this law was pointless. Congress in 1962 obliterated the Kennedy bill, therefore, an economic motive for oil men to kill Kennedy was also obliterated. However, this does not absolve all ultra-right wingers from the Kennedy assassination.

4.

**NOTE:** John F. Kennedy, as a young Senator wrote an historical book called Profiles in Courage in which he stated:

"I was told when I entered Congress, 'The way to get along is to go along'. [Kennedy seldom employed this idea into his scheme of things]. Going along means more than just good fellowship -- it includes the use of compromise, the sense of things possible. We should not be too hasty in condemning all compromise . . . for politics and legislation are not matters for inflexible principles or unattainable ideals . . . under the democratic way of life and the Federal system of Government, [this] requires compromise between the desires of each individual and group and those around them . . . It is compromise that prevents each set of reformers - the wets and the dries, the one-worlders and isolationists, the vivisectionists and the anti-vivisectionists - from crushing the group on the extreme opposite end of the political spectrum. The fanatics and extremists and even those conscientiously devoted to hard and fast principles are always disappointed at the failure of their Government to implement all of their principles and to denounce those of their opponents. But the legislator has some responsibility to conciliate those opposing forces within his state and party to represent them in the larger clash of interests on the national level..."75

Kennedy's liberalism scared the ultra-right. Words like compromise and conciliation were foreign words to the ultra-right wing of America in 1963. The ultra-right **hated** communists. Consequently, John F. Kennedy during his presidency pardoned all the alleged American communists who were jailed because of charges brought against them by Senator Joseph McCarthy's inquisition-modelled Committee into Un-American Activities. Only the *Establishment* (in which resided too many right-wingers) knew of these Kennedy "pardons." Furthermore, not until the Berlin Wall came down in 1989 did the American public hear about these so-called pardons. The obvious question that comes to my mind is: Why then would Oswald, an alleged communist, have killed President Kennedy? Wouldn't Richard M. Nixon have been a better choice? These right-wingers believed that to censor the message they had to kill the messenger - confirming George Bernard Shaw's suspicion that [political] assassination was the most extreme form of censorship. It seems reasonable to me that from a psychological and political standpoint the ultra-right could have advantaged themselves by "setting-up" communist leaning Americans as patsies in assassinations of national leaders, thereby systematically conditioning the nation to hate communists. Is it then coincidence that both Oswald and Sirhan were labelled pro-communists?

**Conspirator:**

**THE SECRET SERVICE**

**Players:**

- SA George Hickey Jr.
- The entire U.S. government.



**Motive:**

- Accidental shooting of President Kennedy by Security Agent George Hickey Jr. using an automatic AR-15 rifle from the follow-up security car 679X. [This hypothesis is espoused by Howard Donahue in the book **Mortal Error** by Bonar Menninger. Bonar Menninger is a business writer and not an active JFK researcher.]

**Shortcomings:**

- President Kennedy's head was turned slightly to the left at Z312, just prior to the fatal head shot; the trajectory therefore is not compatible with George Hickey's position at that time. Besides, even if Hickey had accidentally discharged his weapon in the direction of Kennedy's head, the trajectory was such that the shot from the AR-15 would have had to pass through the windshield of 679X, the car in which Hickey was a passenger.
- On page 226 of Menninger's book he states: "Admittedly, Donahue's case is built entirely on circumstantial evidence." [Which is comparable to an assertion that Kennedy was killed by jealous lovers using high powered slingshots.] Menninger adds, "No eyewitness ever suggested that Hickey's weapon went off . . ." Nobody in government [of course] or any critic, historian, JFK researcher, and major media has confirmed this scenario. Maybe this hypothesis should be addressed.
- **Mortal Error** essentially agrees with the government's version concerning Oswald's role in the assassination, except for the fatal head shot which the book attributes to SA George Hickey, thereby blatantly dismissing the account of 66 witnesses who said they heard shots fired from the grassy knoll. However, no witnesses ever came forward to allege that Hickey discharged his weapon. The Zapruder film, Dealey Plaza pictures, and the laws of mathematics are the best evidence disputing this assertion. We are again in the googolplex neighbourhood, as far as odds go on this scenario occurring. This was a "design" assassination and not coincidence, as **Mortal Error** halfheartedly implies in its attempt to play both sides of the assassination fence. I suspect Mr. Menninger perhaps works for interests outside legitimate JFK research circles. After all, he is from Kansas, the same place as Dorothy and Toto and not too far from Langley, Virginia. The **Mortal Error** hypothesis certainly absolves the CIA and any other groups of complicity in Kennedy's assassination.

**Conspirator:**

**THE MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX**

**The Players:**

- Pentagon extremists
- Lyndon Baines Johnson (after the fact)
- Arms manufacturers
- Oil men
- Military Intelligence disguised as Secret Service altered Kennedy's wounds and destroyed and/or made inaccessible autopsy and limousine evidence. MI plants *magic-bullet* on hospital gurney, possibly using Jack Ruby. MI sets stage for *decoy* operation at Bethesda.
- Oswald (the patsy).



**The Motives:**

- Kennedy's détente with the Soviets was bad for military-industrial business.
- Kennedy's pullout proposal from Southeast Asia was bad for military-industrial business. National Security Act Memorandum (NSAM) 263 is a declassified document issued six weeks prior to President Kennedy's assassination endorsing a withdrawal of all military advisors from South Vietnam by 1965.
- Kennedy's failed air support at the Bay of Pigs was bad for military-industrial business.
- Kennedy's proposed campaign for peace was bad for military-industrial business.
- JFK's plan to dump LBJ from the 1964 ticket was especially bad for military-industrial business and LBJ's assent to the presidency.

**NOTE:** In his farewell address to the nation in 1961, President Dwight D. Eisenhower admonished Americans of "an immense military establishment and large arms industry". He forewarned:

"In the councils of government, we must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the military-industrial complex. The potential for the disastrous rise of misplaced power exists and will persist. We must never let the weight of this combination endanger our liberties or democratic processes. We should take nothing for granted. Only an alert and knowledgeable citizenry can compel the proper meshings of the huge industrial and military machinery of defense with our peaceful methods and goals, so that security and liberty may prosper together . . . "76

**Shortcomings:**

- None, provided one parallels the imperialistic means of America with the warring Roman empire, with the way they kill(ed) their own and proliferate(d) their respective empires.
- The military-industrial complex had the means by which to cover-up the evidence and subsequent investigation(s).
- Lyndon Baines Johnson, the new President, controlled the evidence, the investigation (Warren Commission), and the flow of executive information to all government agencies with the exception of the CIA and FBI.

**Conspirator:**

**THE CIA**

**The Players:**

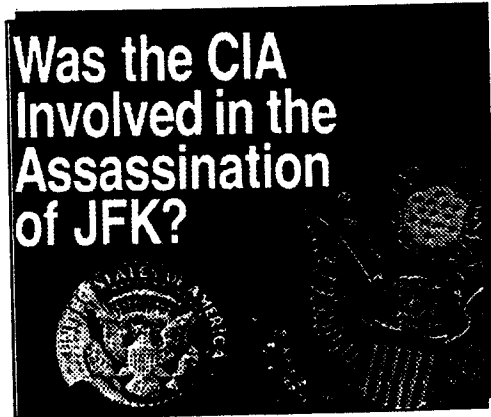
- James J. Angleton
- Charles P. Cabell
- William Harvey
- E. Howard Hunt
- Richard Helms
- Jean Souetre
- Charles Colson
- Jim Hicks
- Clay Shaw
- Sam Halpern
- Tom Clines
- George H. W. Bush (Operation: Zapata)
- The Odessa group of Watergate fame - "cut-outs"
- Oswald (the patsy) was a CIA employee - file "201".
- Richard Bissell
- Earle Cabell
- Allen Dulles (Warren Commissioner)
- Frank Sturgis
- David Atlee Phillips
- "Maurice Bishop"
- William Colby
- Ruby
- Oswald (the patsy) Operation: 40
- Grayston Lynch
- Robert Maheu

**The Motives:**

- After the Bay of Pigs fiasco, President Kennedy, in his own words, began to "smash the CIA into a thousand pieces and scatter it to the wind" by firing CIA icons Gen. Charles P. Cabell, Richard Bissell, and CIA Director Allen Dulles (who just happened to serve on the Warren Commission).
- Kennedy was trading traditional American imperialism of desired ends at any cost for a more diplomatic approach to resolving conflict. He felt that the CIA was undermining his platform for peace. Likewise, the CIA felt Kennedy was undermining American interests abroad, especially Vietnam - its war! Its baby! The CIA was out of control, a classic example of raw, unchecked power - a great rogue elephant. Kennedy had little power against the CIA during his 1000 days in the White House.

**Shortcomings:**

- To borrow an infamous CIA line: "I do not recall."



**Conspirator:**

**THE POST-RECONSTRUCTIONIST ILLUMINATI**

**Players:**

- In an abstract sense, this secret society does not solely comprise identifiable religious or ethnic groups, but rather supports a conglomeration of elitists, intellectuals, financiers, revolutionaries, and power brokers who collectively embrace revolutionary ideals and benefit directly by the displacement of world leaders and governments.

**Motives:**

- A continuation of the Cold War with eventual aims of destabilisation of American imperialism and Soviet expansionism.

- Advocacy of anti-popery (anti-Roman Catholicism) [Kennedy was a Catholic]. Some people speculate that a counter secret society directed by the Vatican was responsible for the assassinations of Presidents Garfield, McKinley, and possibly Lincoln. The assassins of these presidents were Catholic.

**Note:** The Illuminati plot theory was introduced into the United States by a prominent Bostonian, Jedidiah Morse:

"...the world was in the grip of a secret revolutionary conspiracy, engineered by the Order of the Illuminati . . . the Republicans in America were the dupes and the accomplices of this pernicious organization, which labored everywhere, at all times, patiently, implacably, behind the scenes to overthrow all government and all religion."<sup>77</sup>

**Shortcomings:**

- American imperialism was heightened after Kennedy's death, but Soviet communism did, however, come to collapse. Will America be next as Karl Marx once predicted?

**NOTE:** The parallel between the Illuminati and the JFK assassination is pure speculation, but is not beyond the realm of possibility, especially when examining the merits of conspiracy theories presently being advanced in the JFK assassination and global politics. It is suggested only as an alternative viewpoint that attempts to explain the abstract using an *historical approach* as a possible, although highly unlikely scenario. The existence of the Illuminati can be traced back to the time of Christ. They have been implicated in his death and other subsequent political assassinations, upheavals and the coup d'etat of governments abroad. When Christ was asked who are the Illuminati, He replied by saying, "By their fruits ye shall know them."<sup>78</sup> **Grand inference** is built into conspiracy theories - that is, on a global scale, who gained by Kennedy's death and the collapse of Soviet communism?

Some other conspiracies put forward since President Kennedy's murder are: J. Edgar Hoover, who hated the Kennedys and was going to be forced into retirement by them; The Corsican Connection; The Dallas Police; Mr. "X" and the 54-12 Committee: covert operations/assassinations endorsed by former VP Richard Nixon. 54-12 used Howard Hughes for deniability - the Mastermind Theory.

## THE NATURE OF CONSPIRACY THEORY

The "conspiracy theory" has unique elements of definition. It has been termed and used in extremist politics in America and elsewhere, from the beginning of the first episodes of human conflict to the present. Secret collusion and conspiracy is, in fact, a constant in political life. This is reinforced by the daily affairs of secret government-sponsored organisations like the Central Intelligence Agency since 1947.

One key element often identified with conspiracy theory is that the typical conspiracy theory is **international in scope**, i.e., it occurs within every human society and culture on the planet. Also, conspiracy theory **dates back in history to the origins of human conflict**, i.e., in situations where individuals/groups believe *their* way of thinking is "more right" than *others'* way of thinking. This righteous and intransigent thinking, it seems, will continue to plague humankind, interminably. William Guy Carr, a modern conspiracy theorist, writes:

"History repeats itself because there has been perfect continuity of purpose in the struggle which has been ongoing since the beginning of time between forces of Good and Evil to decide whether the Rule of Almighty God shall prevail, or whether the world shall literally go to the Devil. The issue is just as simple as that."<sup>79</sup>



This apocalyptic vision is too abstract politically. For example, in the 1950's during Joseph McCarthy's communist purges, the idea of communism was too abstract when examined abroad. However, it was concretised when McCarthy brought it into American living rooms via radio, alleging that communists were in America and insidiously plotting its overthrow in their bid for world domination. Once people could decisively identify the force(s) or group(s) behind the threat, they were more likely to accept the conspiracy. Anti-communism is only one example throughout America's post-Reconstructionist history, where the use of a standard device to mobilise a reluctant population has been the fear of an evil enemy dedicated to its destruction.

Carr goes on further to say:

"...it is the Illuminati who use communism today as their manual of action to further their secret plans for ultimate world domination"<sup>80</sup>

Certain images recur in conspiracy theories. The *Illuminati* serve as the prototype of such images, first mentioned in America as the central band of world conspirators at the end of the eighteenth century, and still being mentioned today by the John Birch Society. The Illuminati is an example of an abstract political entity, because no one can identify with any degree of certainty its membership (similar to the CIA). Therefore, any reference to this alleged organisation of world conspirators is dealt politically with allegations of paranoia. The Illuminati were alleged to be responsible for the French revolution in 1789.

People cannot identify with conspiracy theory in representations like the Illuminati because they are too abstract. On the other hand, conspiracy theories that offer more visually reinforced evidence, by focusing on identifiable individuals/groups, have proven in the past to be more effective in the use of propaganda. This "identifying" technique imbeds the conspiracy theory notion in an individual's mind. In a sense, if it can be visualised, it can either be more easily targeted or accepted. For example, people under the establishmentarian rule of the Medici family accepted the idea that the earth was the centre of the universe because they visually saw the sun wake in the east and move across the sky to the west.

Some common conspiracy theories used by propagandists are:

1. The Protocols of the Elders of Zion, associated by propagandists with an identifiable group, the Jews.
2. The Vatican conspiracy (mentioned earlier), associated with an identifiable group - Roman Catholics.
3. The Kremlin conspiracy, particularly the KGB (during the height of the Cold War), identified by American isolationists and anticommunists as behind Cold War conspiracies.



4. The CIA, America's modern version of the secret society, or as Bill Moyers calls it, the secret government. Also called the "shadow government."
5. The Vrill Society, a proto-Nazi secret organisation.
6. The Black Legion society of the Ultra Right.
7. The image of *Wall Street Bankers*, at times striking an effective balance between the abstract and the concrete, in that they, for example, were blamed for a conspiracy in aiding Hitler's rise to power. [In this case, profit motivation made no distinction between legality and morality - it ignored both.]

In conclusion, as long as individuals/groups believe they have the key to what is ultimately right and feel that they can make heaven on earth then there shall continue to be conspiracy theories, *ad infinitum* and *ad nauseam*.

A second element identified in conspiracy theory is: **Design**. It is an essential element of the conspiracy theory that such conspiracy is the *decisive* factor in turning history. Lyman Beecher, an eighteenth century conspiracy theorist, made the following statement about evil men in politics:

"No design! How does it happen that their duty and the analogy of their past policy and their profession in Europe and their predictions and exultations in this country and their deeds all well adapted to their end should come together accidentally with such admirable indications of design. If such complicated indications of design may exist without design, as well may the broader mechanism of the world be regarded as the offspring of chance."<sup>81</sup>

The interpretation being that whatever man has a hand in cannot be merely regarded as an "offspring of chance," because his ability to reason qualifies all of his deliberate actions with those of design.

A third element identified in conspiracy theory is: **Manipulation of the many by the few**. This element can be most directly applied to the JFK assassination, beginning with the Warren Commission investigations, and therefore *by no means* should this element be excluded. People in general are found to be easily manipulated, but more importantly, they can also easily be misled. People, particularly Americans, are seduced and drugged by the opiates of propaganda. How else could the American people tolerate and rationalise: "Tailgunner" Joe McCarthy and his powerful House Un-American Activities Committee; the Warren Commission; the Viet Nam War; the Watergate scandal; the proliferation of nuclear arms; the proliferation of nuclear and industrial waste; the depletion of the ozone layer; the geometric destruction of the environment; the fact that the U.S. represents only 4% of the world's population, but is home to 75% of all serial killers on this planet; Irangate; the Iran Contra affair; the downing of the Iranian Airbus; the CIA in Nicaragua, their mining of Nicaraguan harbours, their position on Central America, their assassination programs in the Caribbean referred to by LBJ as a "Murder Inc."; the Beirut bombings; the Muzote massacre in El Salvador; the Iraqi Massacre; and so on. The mass media operators have been accomplices and instruments of this seduction. The hypotheses can range from the acceptable to the outlandish, comparable to the "Big Lie" used by many extremist regimes.

The following are two examples of the outlandish:

1. David Noebel suggested that the singing group the Beatles had been used as "an elaborate, calculating and scientific technique directed at rendering a generation of American youth useless through nerve-jamming, mental deterioration and retardation."<sup>82</sup>
2. Conde McGinley, one of America's most prolific publisher of extremist material, wrote:

"The rear occiput of the left lobe of the brain contains brain tissue which is responsible for the individual's power to resist domination. Sodium fluoride narcotizes this area and makes the person in question submissive to the will of those who want to govern him."<sup>83</sup>

In closing this section, I bring to the reader's attention two interesting comments made by Earl Warren and Allen Dulles. The first quotation was made by Earl Warren to reporters who asked him when the facts about the [JFK] assassination would be made public. Warren tentatively responded:

"You may never get the truth in your lifetime, and I mean that seriously."<sup>84</sup>

The second comment was made by Allen Dulles at a meeting of Warren Commission members held Thursday, July 9, 1964, just two months prior to the release of the Warren Report. Dulles, the former CIA director, reassured his fellow commissioners not to be worried that their final report would be closely scrutinised.

"But nobody reads. Don't believe people read in this country. There will be a few professors that will read the record . . . the public will read very little."<sup>85</sup>

## AN HISTORICAL COMPARISON



The *official version* of President Kennedy's assassination maintained by the mainstream (media, historians, and government) does not represent the views of the majority nor the processes of a democratic will. The mainstream fails, most dangerously, to represent the ideals of democracy and justice in our supposedly free and open society, which must, of necessity, include an open press. However, this open press must not play God. They must not be allowed to make decisions they deem to be in the national best interest by, for example, insulating the American public from information they believe to be too sensitive. Control of this type is what George Orwell alluded to in his novel *1984*. Sometimes fiction derives itself from fact. Conversely the vision from fiction manifests itself into our reality, by the methods of imagery (film media) and the almighty pen (print media). The subtle message media sends us, is: "Facts don't matter; perception is reality."

The American Establishment's political machinery concerning the means by which it upholds its lone assassin assertion in the JFK assassination closely resembles the Medici's behaviour in the mid-16th century, during its quest to retain mainstream ideas that "the earth was the centre of the universe." A classic example of *facts don't matter; perception is reality*. At that time, the proposition of ideas at variance to the widely accepted dogma espoused by both Church and State (as Galileo had done in giving credence to Copernicus's theory) was always met by allegations of heresy. The Medicis, like the Warren Commission, believed they had

proved their case to the people through the methods of simple deductive empiricism. As an example, everyday at dawn people saw the sun rise in the east and move across the sky toward the west, where it would set, thus perpetuating the notion through the sensory evidence of sight, that the earth was in fact, just as Aristotle and Ptolemy had argued, the centre of the universe. This centre of the universe concept was reinforced by the power of the Church, at a time when heresy was considered the work of Satan. Heresy was dealt with unsympathetically, to say the least, by means of torture, imprisonment, and death, thereby persuading the masses to have absolute faith and conviction in the mainstream dogma.

Similarly, President Lyndon Baines Johnson also asked the American people to have faith in their government in its investigation of President Kennedy's assassination. Consequently, anyone opposing the U.S. government's *official version* of the JFK assassination was labelled a subversive, communist, or a threat to national security. The CIA even created methods to counter Warren Commission critics. For example, in one extreme case, Jack Anderson of the Washington Post was the target of an aborted CIA contract killing to be planned by E. Howard Hunt and J. Gordon Liddy. This was openly admitted to by Liddy.<sup>66</sup>

There are inherent differences between the Medicis' failure to hide the truth and the American government's success at concealing it. In the Medicis' time the Church and State could not conceal evidence of the stars, the planets, and the laws of physics and mathematics. These were all discovered by men of science and query, who were filled with an insatiable desire for the truth. Unfortunately however, in the Kennedy assassination all the real evidence either went missing or was made inaccessible by Lyndon Johnson, the Warren Commission, the CIA, the FBI, the Pentagon, the Defence Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the Ramsey Clark Panel, the Rockefeller Commission, and the House Select Committee on Assassinations. Consequently, men of science and query could not then, and still cannot today, apply the laws of physics and mathematics to determine the truth in the JFK assassination, regardless of their desire for it.

## THE SECRET FILES

The assassination evidence has been hidden, altered, destroyed or time-sealed in secret files, so that no one can dispute, with absolute certainty, the official version of President Kennedy's murder. If a government can conceal information and evidence, it can most certainly conceal the truth. The alleged secret files, time-sealed until the years 2029 and 2039, are said to be necessary because they protect the identities of individuals, confidential sources and methods and national security. But from whom? Obviously not from Oswald - he no longer poses a threat to anyone. And Soviet Communism has collapsed! The means to an end . . . a secret government! We must put the Establishment up for examination.

When the secret files are finally opened, all those who were direct participants with President Kennedy's assassination will be deceased. How can anyone ask questions or cross-examine a decedent? Perhaps the intelligence community realises this and therefore confidently maintains its *no smoking gun will be found in the secret files* assertion. Which, considering the missing evidence, should lead one to the question: If the intelligence community is somehow involved in Kennedy's death and has autonomy over the control of information, is not it then likely that these intelligence agencies, in particular the CIA, have the opportunity to plant or alter evidence and testimonies contained in these alleged secret files to further advance the official fairy tale? One claim has it that 75 per cent of all JFK assassination files held by American Intelligence agencies have already been destroyed! Remember their [CIA] philosophy - "secrecy from inception to eternity." And when the "eternity" part of the equation is somehow breached or compromised, the contingency is then employed: the convincing lie of plausible deniability.

---

Author's note: As The Global Village was going to press the National Archives in Washington released boxes upon boxes of once-classified CIA and FBI documents from the investigation into the assassination of President Kennedy. Newly declassified photographs were scattered among the more than 800,000 pages concerning Kennedy's murder in Dallas on November 22, 1963.

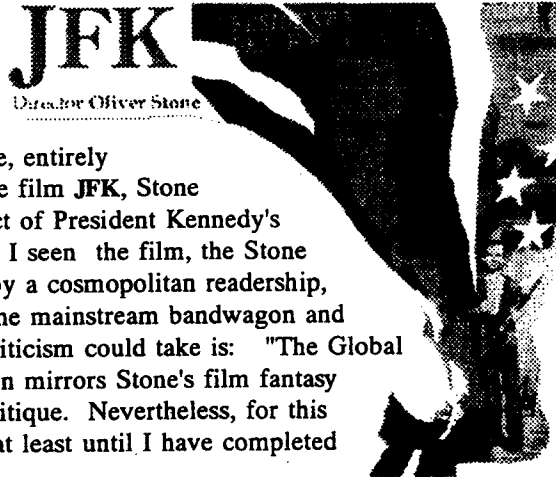
Ironically, one Central Intelligence file (DBA-92123) confirmed "that [Lee Harvey] Oswald and Jack Ruby were connected." Many people over the years, including Robert Oswald (Oswald's brother) and Marita Lorenz, have maintained that Lee Harvey Oswald and Jack Ruby knew each other and were involved in gun-running missions to Miami, where anti-Castro Cubans had guerilla camps setup for paramilitary exercises.

---

## OLIVER STONE: WAS HE "STONED"

### OR BEING STONED FOR MAKING JFK?

I cannot comment on the Oliver Stone film **JFK** because I am one of the few individuals - the last hold out - who has not seen the film, fearing for the most part that Stone's **JFK** might influence, entirely too much, the contents of this writing. Besides the film **JFK**, Stone speaks powerfully and convincingly on the subject of President Kennedy's murder. He says everything I want to hear. Had I seen the film, the Stone influence, would, I suspect, have been noticed by a cosmopolitan readership, who I am afraid would jump immediately upon the mainstream bandwagon and resolutely echo their criticisms. One form this criticism could take is: "The Global Village Project's article on Kennedy's assassination mirrors Stone's film fantasy **JFK**." I would be honoured to receive such a critique. Nevertheless, for this reason, I have decided against viewing the film, at least until I have completed this project.



In spite of this, I am a tried and true fan of Oliver Stone and his movies, especially the following: *Midnight Express*, *Salvador*, *Platoon*, *Wall Street*, and *Born on the Fourth of July*.

If I were presented with the opportunity to write a book comparable in subject matter to John F. Kennedy's *Profiles in Courage*, the protagonists would be for the most part contemporary figures including Oliver Stone, JFK (of course), Dr. Jack Kevorkian, Dr. Noam Chomsky, Dr. Henry Morgenthauer, Dr. David Suzuki, Professor Jaroslav Havelka, Harold Weisberg, The Chicago Seven and Groucho Marx to name a few. [Groucho coined the phrase "Whatever it is, I'm against it." "It" refers to the Establishment.] Oliver Stone is an individual who does make a difference. He puts the Establishment up for examination. However different his views are from the established official views of the JFK assassination, Viet Nam and other political-dynamite issues, Stone's integrity and conviction to those views come across clearly in his many public interviews. But, I am coming to realise why the U.S. government has

become so hostile toward Oliver Stone. In part, I think, it's due to the all-too-painful taboo rationalisms he sometimes expounds, like this one for example: "The government has no interest in solving the JFK assassination because ultimately the trail leads back to itself."<sup>87</sup> The consequences of this statement are far reaching, possibly leading to a point where the government may have to uncover some covert operations it was involved in, particularly its (CIA) assassination programs.

In dealing with Oliver Stone and every other volatile political issue that fails to serve American interests, I am sure that the U.S. government thinks that the best defence is a good offence. You know, like the idea of shooting first and asking questions later.

**Here, listed below, are a few more Stone rationalisms.**

Oliver Stone has this to say on the thoroughness of the Warren Commission investigation:

"They never called the CIA to task and they never investigated them because they [the Warren Commission] were cowed by them - they were cowed by the FBI. But I think a much more valid question would be: 'What is the FBI really telling the Warren Commission?' I would be much more interested in the information going the other way - from the FBI to the Commission." "...If they [the Warren Commission] had [investigated this case thoroughly], they [the Warren Commission] would've started with the CIA and the FBI. They would've made these people [the CIA and FBI] deal with them honestly. They would've gone into those files and conducted a thorough homicide investigation."<sup>88</sup>

Stone clarifying another point:

"It's a small paramilitary operation. It involves up to five, maybe 10, maybe 12 men. That's been misrepresented - they [the mainstream, specifically Robert Blakey] ridiculed me and say the film is [that] 2000 people are involved in killing Kennedy. I never said that in the movie! I show one phone call coming from a high-level person to a mid-level person saying, 'It's on in the south, in the fall. Organize it.' basically."<sup>89</sup>



Stone commenting on the Garrison investigation:

"Instead of taking Garrison's charges seriously, which is what they should've done, the press attacked him and destroyed him. But they [the press] should have gone after the things he was raising . . . "<sup>90</sup>

Stone on A&E's "REVUE":

"...but I called it, at one point a myth [the Warren Commission Report]. We're trying to create almost a counter-myth to the Warren Commission myth because I think that is even a bigger fiction than our movie. I think that we ultimately can't know unless these files are opened - and that is a big issue, you know. I think that we can start with the House files and the CIA, FBI and military intelligence files on Oswald, and Ruby, Jack Kennedy, Guy Bannister, the events in Dallas and November '63. We'd certainly clear a lot of the confusion. But barring that, it's the right of artists, it's the right of novelists and film-makers to reinterpret. And in this case, you know, they accuse me of rewriting history, but I don't think that history was ever written. I think history is very superficial in the sixties. Young kids I've talked to in the streets - they don't even know who Lee Oswald and Jack Ruby were. And in the history books, American history books, you see these two paragraphs, and you see this young handsome president who's shot down by this bad guy out of this window and he is in turn killed by this angry vigilante. And it's sort of like a John Wayne movie - really, it's a western - and it really works and it's simple and it's clean . . . "91

"And nowhere does anyone ask what are the political forces that may have been opposed to Kennedy. What is the political motive? It was never asked why Kennedy was killed, who benefitted and who has the power to cover it up, if it was a conspiracy?"92

Stone goes on to say:

"Kennedy's death was really a major, major, setback for our generation. It led ultimately to Viet Nam. It led to the cycles of poverty and recession and depression that we've had as a result. We were off to Viet Nam and the world was never the same . . . "93

"Ultimately you live with your conscience on these things. That's the only standard. You cannot be censored. If you say that [sic] a artist has social responsibility, I yawn at that word just because it's the wrong word. Because the Soviets told their artists they had a social responsibility to socialism and the Nazi politicians told their artists they had to have a fascist sensibility. As soon as you get into the business of "social responsibility," you're in deep trouble - I don't want to hear newsmen throwing that at me with a club. I sense that those newsmen would be perfect working for Joseph Goebbels. I heard a lot of it in America - an unthinking press - a press that just reacts to the glitz of the next thing and they don't even formulate their thoughts before they ask the question. Mark Twain had a great quote. He said,

'The lies are flying around the world while the truth is still putting on its socks.'

It takes a little time sometimes to dig for the truth. It really does. And if we'd dug a little harder in Dallas that day we wouldn't be such a glitzy society. We'd be a little less superficial."94

---

*The men the American people admire most extravagantly are the most daring liars; the men they detest most violently are those who try to tell them the truth. A Galileo could no more be elected President of the United States than he could be elected Pope of Rome. Both high posts are reserved for men favored by God with an extraordinary genius for swathing the bitter facts of life in bandages of soft illusion.*

-H.L. Mencken

---

## **WHERE ARE WE TODAY WITH THE ASSASSINATION QUESTION?**

On May 12, 1992, the Central Intelligence Agency claimed that it would open its files on the JFK assassination to try and clear its name. At that time, CIA director Robert Gates said:

"...I am determined, personally to make public or to expose, to disinterested eyes, every relevant scrap of paper in CIA's possession in the hope of helping to dispel this corrosive suspicion. With or without legislation, I intend to proceed."<sup>5</sup>

However, the CIA only declassified a mere 110 pages. All the information presented in these 110 pages was previously known. In fact, the CIA only released a 110-page file on Oswald, which researchers say contained nothing that had not already been dealt with. Generally speaking, the memory of the masses is short because it has only been one and one half years since that announcement. No further documents, dossiers, files or even a "scrap of paper," to my knowledge, have been released or declassified. [See previous "Author's note."]

On October 27, 1992, George Bush, during the last few weeks of his presidency, surprisingly, signed the JFK Records Collection Act.<sup>6</sup> What will become of this Act? Will the Act evolve into some inert and constipated, document-review board that will be controlled, as always, by the "professionals" of Capitol Hill? Nevertheless, and for what it's worth, Vice-President Al Gore has expressed an interest in the JFK case - during the presidential campaign, he was quoted as saying that he believed there was a conspiracy and the JFK records/files should be released. President Clinton said he agreed. I think that he has a genuine admiration for President Kennedy, however, I do not understand the significance of the white rose incident at Arlington Cemetery [If anyone knows the meaning or symbolism behind placing a single white "Iceberg" rose over a burial site, as President Clinton did over Kennedy's grave, please write and let me know.]

The second **MIDWEST SYMPOSIUM ON POLITICAL ASSASSINATION** was held at Chicago's State of Illinois Center from April 1-4, 1993. If you would like information about the Third Annual Symposium contact:

**1994 Conference  
P.O. Box 1570  
Highland, INDIANA 46322  
(708) 241-3444**

The **ASSASSINATION SYMPOSIUM ON JOHN F. KENNEDY (ASK '93)** is to take place November 18-22 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel at Reunion Square, Dallas, Texas. For further information call:

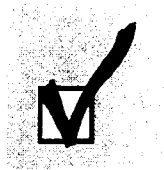
**ASK  
BOX 4999  
Austin, TX 78765  
(512) 467-7979**

For hard to find books on the Kennedy assassination contact Al Navis at:

**ALMARK & CO.  
BOOKSELLERS  
P. O. Box 7  
Thornhill, Ontario  
L3T 3N1**

# Suggestions For Official Action

Here is what can be done now:



1. Release **all** government JFK Files.

Key opponents: CIA and FBI.

2. Declassify CIA files on the CIA assassination programs, specifically the following:

Operation 40; Operation Gemstone; Operation Mongoose (JM/Wave); Operation Zapata; Task Force W (60-63). Concerning the 54-12 Committee, find out who set up the assassination teams, what crimes they committed, and hold them accountable.

Key opponents: CIA.

3. A complete analysis of the acoustics evidence.

Key opponent: CIA

4. Conduct ballistics lab tests of the single-bullet theory.

The foundation of the lone-assassin theory is the controversial Single-Bullet that caused all the non-fatal wounds to both President Kennedy and Governor Connally. If the Single-Bullet Theory were refuted through ballistics lab tests, then, by the same token, these results would collapse the Warren Commission's lone-gunman theory.

Key opponent: CIA

5. Enhance and analyse the Charles L. Bronson film.

This film shows 2-3 people in the *sniper's lair* just seconds prior to Kennedy's assassination. Optically enhance this 8-mm film by digital means and analyse it.

Key opponents: CIA and FBI (" . . . doesn't clearly identify building.")

6. Exhume John F. Kennedy's body.

A complete re-autopsy using all the latest means, technologies and procedures. Include independent autopsists (e.g., Cyril Wecht) and surviving Parkland Hospital M.D's. to ensure integrity. [Note: It is **imperative** that independent autopsists are included in the autopsy process.]

Key opponents: Kennedy family and CIA.

[Independent autopsist(s) agreed on by top critics.]



7. Exhume John Connally's body.

Remove the bullet fragments remaining in Connally's wrist and leg and determine if these fragments ballistically match the "magic bullet."

8. Dealey Plaza Simulation.

Position a test crowd representing individuals known to be present at Dealey Plaza during the JFK assassination on November 22, 1963, and perform the actions listed below. (The so-called *test crowd* should comprise participants unfamiliar with the JFK assassination.)

8.1 Fire custom-made blanks from the TSBD in the sequential pattern concluded by the HSCA - that is, shots number 1, 2, and 4 from the sixth floor, the alleged *sniper's lair* of the TSBD. Also shot number 3 from the grassy knoll in the area where eye and ear witness testimony and acoustic evidence shows to be the picket fence.

8.2 Fire 3 custom-made blanks from the TSBD in a way that corroborates the Warren Commission Report.\*

At the conclusion of each test have all participants document the following:

- a. Locate all shots' origins.
- b. The number of shots fired.
- c. If applicable, the number of shots from each location.
- d. Number the shots sequentially, identifying each shot's location.
- [e. effects of shots, if possible.]

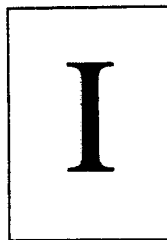
\*Simulation #2 may prove to be interesting. How many people will say they heard shots originating from the area of the grassy knoll's picket fence?

Write to The Global Village Project with your ideas.

## THE KENNEDY LEGACY

*"Don't let it be forgot  
That once there was a spot  
For one brief shining moment  
It was known as Camelot."<sup>17</sup>*

- from the play *Camelot* by Lerner and Loewe.



Inasmuch as we were left with the legacy of JFK's canonised image: a voice for hope; a voice for freedom; a voice of a new frontier; a voice for world peace - another legacy was also left, and that one shows us that we cannot rely on one individual to resolve all the problems of this life. Employ your conscience: do not rely on experts, intellectuals, professors, political pundits, government and the so-called *in-the-know* Establishment. This legacy hopefully teaches us that we cannot burden one man/woman to save the world and that we must all take an active part or role in achieving that end. It must be a global village project. In recent history, we relied on such men

as Mohandas K. Gandhi, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, and Robert Francis Kennedy, to change the world. Each man paid the ultimate price, their life. Each of these individuals strived for the *common good*\* and gave of himself in a way which the Greeks described as the "Full use of one's powers along the lines of excellence."

\*The *common good* is not an ideal shared by an elitist Establishment. An elite Establishment, at every given opportunity, counters the beliefs of the common and ordinary man - that is, if the ordinary man believes that Kennedy was assassinated by the elements of a conspiracy, the elitist will postulate an antithetical concept of a single assassin. If the common man doesn't believe that the former Soviet Union was an "evil empire," the elitist illustrates by every *approach* available, i.e., historical, socioeconomic, geopolitical, and psychological, in attempts to convince the ordinary man that the "experts" are more qualified at observing life's experiences and interpreting them. The elitist represents the Establishment, wholeheartedly, and his role is to discredit any person who stands in the way of or opposes it. I think I'm beginning to understand Historian John Judge's perception of our society being already dead: "...either we die on our knees or we die standing up." It is as simple as that.

We cannot look for the truth to come from institutions like the CIA and the national security mechanisms of government which protect agencies such as these. We cannot be disenfranchised from our system through silence. I have heard a saying that I think speaks loudly along these lines:

They came for the Communists, I wasn't one, so I did not speak-up.

They came for the Jews, I wasn't one, so I did not speak-up.

They came for the Trade-Unionists, I wasn't one, so I did not speak-up.

Finally, they came for me and nobody was left to speak-up for me.

It will be up to each one of us, individually, to decide whether we die on our knees or, we die standing up. President John F. Kennedy died standing up for a system that eventually killed him.

"We seek a free flow of information . . . a nation that is afraid to let the people judge the truth and falsehood in an open market is a nation afraid of its people."

-President John F. Kennedy, February 1962.

*In Kennedy, one saw a beautiful force.*  
-J, Frank Kontos

## PRIMARY SOURCES, QUOTATIONS AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

### THE CONUNDRUM IN A NUTSHELL

1. Bill Kurtis [paraphrased] from the Investigative Reports program "*Who Killed Kennedy?: On the Trail of the Conspiracies.*" A&E Network, aired June 1992.
2. The New Frontier: Proponent of civil rights; Détente with the Soviets; banned nuclear testing in the atmosphere; reduced nuclear armaments; the Alliance for Progress: proposed a complete withdrawal from Southeast Asia by 1965; was planning a campaign for world peace at the time of his death; proposed a bill to Congress reducing the "oil depletion allowance"; rescinded unfair price increases by the steel industry; space exploration; only earned two dollars a year as President. A true public servant!
3. 600 +, published books; the 26 volume Warren Commission Report; the HSCA's 25 volume report; the countless newsletters, films, videos, photographs, columns and editorials; the CIA's millions of pages of files (110 pages are available to the public -- mere tokenism, I suspect); the FBI's 3-storey-warehouse of secret files (unavailable to the public); the National Archives' files in Washington D.C.; the AIC in Dallas; the AIB; the Dallas City Police Archives' files; The AARC in Washington; The JFK Library in Boston; the differing Medical reports between Parkland Hospital and the Autopsy reports from Bethesda Naval Hospital; the Ballistics/Acoustics/Scientific evidence and Oliver Stone's "JFK."
4. Sheim, David E., *Contract On America*, pg. 319; Aurelius, *The Meditations of Marcus Aurelius*, I. 16.
5. Examples of missing evidence: the presidential limousine; the bullet(s) found in the limousine, the bullet found on the south side of Elm Street by an alleged FBI agent, the bullet found in JFK's brain during the Bethesda autopsy; various home movies and photographs; crucial witnesses dying prior to testimony; and, JFK's brain and tissue samples - to list a few.
6. page 173, *The JFK Assassination: The Facts and the Theories*, Carl Oglesby, 1992. Sentinel, editorial dated January 25, 1979.
7. Pozner and Donahue, Channel 2, Detroit. Televised May 1992. Guest: Dr. Noam Chomsky.
8. Davis, John H., *The Kennedys: Dynasty and Disaster*, Shapolsky Publishers, 1992, New York, New York, page 851; Marrs, Jim, *Crossfire*, pg. 537; Dallas Times Herald, September 4, 1988.

### THE WARREN COMMISSION SIMPLIFIED

9. Oglesby, page 305
10. Scheim, page 232
11. Scheim page 232; U.S. Senate Intelligence Report: JFK Assassination, page 32.

### DALLAS IN WONDERLAND REVISITED: THE HSCA 1976-79.

12. *Who Killed Kennedy?: On the Trail of the Conspiracies.*
13. Sagan, Carl, *Cosmos*, page 219-220.
14. Geraldo: with guests Jim Marrs; Craig Zirbel, Robert Groden. Groden comments on HSCA's flaw in overlapping the acoustics evidence with the Zapruder film. ref. Groden pp. 241, 246, 261-62, 374.
15. Groden, *High Treason*, pp. 89, 117-118.
16. Lifton, page 7; Zirbel pg. 30
17. "*Judge For Yourself*" An Undercurrents Television/video production. Speaker: Historian John Judge.

### BETHESDA NAVAL HOSPITAL: GUILT BY SILENCE.

18. Noguchi, Thomas T., *Coroner*, page 91.
19. *Reasonable Doubt*, on A&E's Time Machine with Jack Perkins, examines evidence from the JFK assassination that challenges the Warren Commission Report. Aired on Friday, November 27, 1992. Harold Weisberg interview.
20. ibidem
21. *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*, on A&E's Investigative Reports with Bill Kurtis, examines a wide range of topics relating to President Kennedy's assassination. May and June, 1992, a six episode series. A Nigel Turner documentary, copyright 1988. Cyril Wecht interview.
22. ibidem
23. ibidem

#### MEDIA'S ROLE IN ASSASSINATION'S AFTERMATH

24. Hoch, Paul, *Echoes of Conspiracy*: Volume 11, #2, page 1., dated November 24, 1989.
25. Scheim, pg. 38; Demaris, *Captive City* pg 120, Gallup Poll.
26. Marrs, *Crossfire*, page 1 of preface; Scheim pg.255; Washington Post (weekly edition), July 16, 1984, pg. 37.; *The Garrison Tapes*.
27. Oglesby, Carl, page 206. The Keene N. H. Sentinel, editorial dated January 25, 1979
28. ibidem
29. Turner, Nigel, *The Men Who Murdered Kennedy*, Central Independent Television, Birmingham, England. Copyright 1988. Aired on A&E's Investigative Reports as "The Men Who Killed Kennedy." Episode #4, "The Patsy." Narrator: Bill Kurtis.
30. Scheim pg. 37; Zirbel pg. 55; Lifton pg. 20; Groden pg. 160
31. ibidem
32. ibidem
33. ibidem
34. ibidem
35. ibidem
36. Groden, Robert, *High Treason*, pg. 349 (PSE Test).
37. Scheim, David E., *Contract on America: The Mafia Murder of President John F. Kennedy*, page 196.
38. NYT's publication called *Witnesses*, 1964, verbatim testimony from the Warren Commission Report, The Exhibits section of *Witnesses* pg. 59, WE 2585.

#### A COLLECTION OF FACTS: OFFICIAL V. CONSPIRACY

39. *Judge For Yourself*, a video series that presents Historian John Judge speaking on the JFK assassination, disputing the official version.
40. Scheim, pp. 44-45.
41. Scheim pp. 297-298.
42. Scheim pp. 157-158; Warren Commission Kantor Exhibit.
43. *Newsweek*, March 27, 1967, page 21; Scheim pg. 161
44. Judge, John, video series *Judge For Yourself*, presented by Undercurrents Television.
45. Marrs, pg. 604n.
46. Oglesby, pg. 87.
47. Lane, Mark, *Plausible Denial*, page 273.
48. Scheim, pg. 45
49. ibidem
50. *The Garrison Tapes*, quoted by Robert Groden; Marrs, pg. 68.
51. Marrs, pg. 69.
52. Groden, pg. 455.
53. Groden pg. 121.
54. World News aired ABC Archival film footage of Nov. 22,1963: "A Mauser I believe... Austrian Mauser."
55. Hepburn, James (pseudonym), *Farewell America*, pg. 359n.
56. Zirbel, Craig, *The Texas Connection*, pg. 45.
57. Groden, pg. 177
58. *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*, A&E's Investigative Reports with Bill Kurtis
59. ibidem
60. ibidem; also *The JFK Conspiracy: Final Analysis*
61. John Judge, *Judge For Yourself*, Undercurrents Television.
62. *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*
63. ibidem
64. Geraldo Rivera: *Now It Can Be Told*, 1992, with Craig Rivera.
65. Geraldo; Groden pg. 292
66. *The JFK Assassination: The Garrison Tapes*
67. *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*
68. *High Treason* by Robert Groden pg. 456
69. *Who Killed Kennedy?: On the Trail of the Conspiracies* (Oliver Stone); Groden pg. 228
70. *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*
71. *The Men Who Killed Kennedy: "The Cover-Up"*

## CONSPIRACIES ENCAPSULATED

72. *Who Killed Kennedy?: On the Trail of the Conspiracies*
73. ibidem
74. Schlesinger, Arthur, *A Thousand Days*, footnoted on page 638.
75. Kennedy, John F., *Profiles In Courage*, pp 4-5
76. Dye, Thomas R. and Zeigler, L. Harmon, *The Irony of Democracy*, page 105.
77. Lipset and Rabb, *The Politics of Unreason*, page 36, 1970, Trent University Press.
78. Lipset and Rabb, *The Politics of Unreason*, page 14, 1970, Trent University Press.

## THE NATURE OF CONSPIRACY

79. Lipset and Rabb, *The Politics of Unreason*, page 15,
80. ibidem, page 16,
81. ibidem
82. ibidem
83. ibidem
84. Lane, pg.53
85. Lane pg. 53

## AN HISTORICAL COMPARISON

86. *The Key to Watergate*, video news report aired on A&E Friday, September 18, 1992. Groden, pg. 418

## OLIVER STONE: "STONED" OR BEING STONED FOR MAKING "JFK."

87. *Who Killed Kennedy?: On the Trail of the Conspiracies*
88. ibidem
89. ibidem
90. ibidem
91. Interview with Oliver Stone on A&E's *Revue*, hosted by Robert Klein.
92. ibidem
93. ibidem
94. ibidem

## WHERE ARE WE TODAY WITH THE ASSASSINATION QUESTION

95. Standard Broadcast News, May 12, 1992. CIA Director Robert Gates before the Senate Committee .  
Shown on the McNeil/ Lehrer Newshour.
96. Standard Broadcast News, October 27, 1992.

## THE KENNEDY LEGACY

97. *Camelot*, the Broadway musical, created by Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe, played on Broadway in 1960 during the Kennedy presidency. President Kennedy was moved by these four lines from Camelot.

### An Unlabyrinthic Afterthought

Analogously, the Warren Commission's no-conspiracy conclusion is comparable to the following mathematical equation.

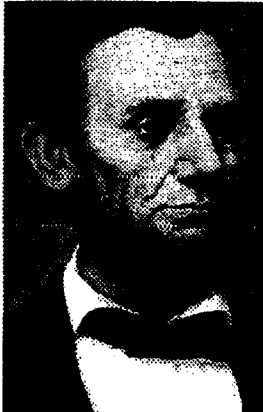
$$1 + x = 2$$

The Warren Commission's investigation is represented by the number 1.  
The Warren Commission's no-conspiracy conclusion is represented by the number 2, thereby suggesting that x equals 1.

To be a balanced equation, it is implied that the missing evidence, i.e., JFK's brain, tissue samples, autopsy slides, secret files, Oswald's trial, the limousine and so forth, represented by "x" are a part of the equation and thereby x, however implied, rationally represents the number 1. But, if x equals any number other than 1, the Warren Commission conclusion, therefore, would be incorrect. If we could retrieve all the missing evidence such as JFK's brain, tissue samples, autopsy slides and corpse, the limousine evidence, Oswald, the murdered witnesses, the Dealey Plaza films and photographs we would in all certainty find that all this in concert would prove beyond any reasonable doubt that the equation drawn above is not balanced, and what is more important, that the Warren Commission Report and its conclusions are incorrect. Since we cannot retrieve the missing evidence the government maintains its conclusions are correct and that we have to accept these as the truth. The conundrum continues!

# DOES HISTORY REPEAT ITSELF?

COINCIDENCE OR CONSPIRACY? Due to the 1991 Oliver Stone film, **JFK**, there is a renascent interest in the controversies surrounding the JFK assassination and the attempts by JFK researchers to influence *public opinion* with their conspiracy-linked theories. I hope that, because of this public interest, the list of similarities presented below between the Abraham Lincoln and JFK assassinations serves only to stimulate one's insatiable-intellectual-curiosity and not one's suspicions of yet another conspiracy.



ABRAHAM LINCOLN

The funeral of JFK was in fact consciously modelled on the funeral of Abraham Lincoln, for example:

1. Lying in State in East Room of the White House.
2. The movement of the coffin on a caisson down Pennsylvania Avenue.

Are the similarities coincidence or a conspiracy?  
Judge for yourself.



JOHN F. KENNEDY

Abraham Lincoln was elected to the National Legislature in 1846.

John F. Kennedy was elected to the National Legislature in 1946, 100 years after Lincoln.

\*\*\*\*\*

Abraham Lincoln was elected President in 1860. John F. Kennedy was elected President in 1960, 100 years after President Lincoln.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Abraham Lincoln and John F. Kennedy are documented as saying that they had premonitions of death preceding their assassinations. Both men received written death threats.

\*\*\*\*\*

Lincoln's secretary, named Kennedy, admonished the President not to go to the Ford's Theatre on April 14, 1865, the day he was assassinated. Kennedy's secretary, named Evelyn Lincoln, attempted to dissuade JFK from going to Dallas.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Presidents died of bullet wounds to the head. And both men were allegedly shot from behind.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Presidents were killed as they sat beside their wives.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Presidents, Lincoln and Kennedy, were killed on a Friday.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both were key proponents of civil rights: In September 1862, Lincoln announced publicly the "Emancipation Proclamation." In September 1962, JFK ordered the University of Mississippi to accept black students.

\*\*\*\*\*

John Wilkes Booth, Lincoln's assassin, was born in 1838-9? Lee Harvey Oswald, JFK's (alleged) assassin, was born in 1939, 100 years after Booth.

\*\*\*\*\*

The assassins' names, John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald, each contain 15 letters.

\*\*\*\*\*

Booth shot Lincoln in a theatre and fled to a warehouse. Oswald (allegedly) shot Kennedy from a warehouse and fled to a theatre.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both John Wilkes Booth and Lee Harvey Oswald were killed before reaching trial.

\*\*\*\*\*

John F. Kennedy was a passenger in a Lincoln Continental limousine when he was assassinated.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Presidents were succeeded by vice-presidents named Johnson. Andrew Johnson superseded Lincoln and Lyndon Johnson superseded Kennedy.

\*\*\*\*\*

Andrew Johnson was born in 1808. Lyndon B. Johnson was born in 1908, 100 years after Andrew Johnson.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Baines Johnson were Democrats, southerners, and former senators.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Johnson were born on the last Thursday of the month.

\*\*\*\*\*

Andrew Johnson ended his term as President in 1869. Lyndon Johnson ended his term as President in 1969, 100 years after Andrew Johnson.

\*\*\*\*\*

The names Lincoln and Kennedy each contain 7 letters.

\*\*\*\*\*

The names Andrew Johnson and Lyndon Johnson each contain 13 letters.

\*\*\*\*\*

The names Thomas Lincoln and Joseph Kennedy, fathers of the slain Presidents, each contain 13 letters.

\*\*\*\*\*

Abraham Lincoln's political confidante, blood relative, and administration appointee, was Robert Lincoln.

John F. Kennedy's political confidante, blood relative and administration appointee, was Robert Kennedy.

\*\*\*\*\*

Robert Kennedy and Robert Lincoln each contain 13 letters in their names.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Presidents, Lincoln and Kennedy were

the GLOBAL VILLAGE project

assassinated in an odd-numbered year, even-numbered month, and even-numbered day.  
Lincoln: Friday, April 14, 1865.  
Kennedy: Friday, November 22, 1963.

\*\*\*\*\*

The plot against Lincoln was contrived in November and executed in April. JFK's assassination was planned in April and executed in November.

\*\*\*\*\*

The telegraph service (Including the Ford's Theatre) in Washington was mysteriously shut off as Lincoln was shot.  
The telephone service in Washington was mysteriously shut off as Kennedy was shot. (The Texas School Book Depository telephone lines were also shut down at Dallas, Texas).

\*\*\*\*\*

Both President's Lincoln and Kennedy were despised by the South and were the brunt of sordid assassination humour from this region. Eventually both Presidents were assassinated by Southerners.

\*\*\*\*\*

Mary Todd Lincoln, wife of Abraham Lincoln was admitted into a sanatorium. Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis has seen a therapist twice a week since the assassination of her husband, John F. Kennedy.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Kennedy and Lincoln greatly enjoyed Shakespeare's works, and used many of his sayings in their own speeches.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Presidents had lax security the day each man was assassinated.

\*\*\*\*\*

Both Presidents never regained consciousness from their wounds.

\*\*\*\*\*

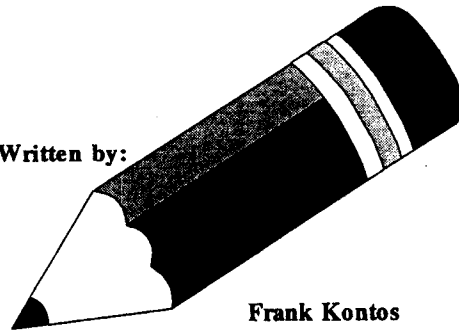
Both men had accumulated approximately 80 death threats - written and otherwise.

\*\*\*\*\*

To paraphrase Jay Leno of the Tonight Show who facetiously exhorted his view about the Lincoln and Kennedy assassinations:

"I'm starting to accept the idea that JFK's assassination was in fact due to a conspiracy . . . Lincoln's assassination reinforces this idea. After all, all of the Lincoln assassination witnesses have mysteriously died. Hmm, you tell me - coincidence or conspiracy?"

Written by:



Frank Kontos



## THE MARRIAGE OF ABSTRACT AND ABSOLUTE

History teaches me: (not) to write the future as history itself was written.  
Tomorrow teaches me: the failures of history.  
The *writer* teaches me: of tools of conformist forces.  
The *reader* teaches me: of biases; and of Pavlov's puppies.  
Religion teaches me: the world's a too-small place.  
Politics teaches me: of opulent coins of one face.  
Art teaches me: of a critical society.  
Realism teaches me: "Hell is the impossibility of reason!"  
My god teaches me: to question my beliefs.  
Your God teaches me: to hate you and your God.  
Nietzsche teaches me: "God is dead."  
Science teaches me: "Nietzsche is dead."  
David Suzuki teaches me: "Man is, through the consequences of his actions, the inferior animal."  
Philippe Rushton teaches me: that David Suzuki sure the hell knows what he's talking about."  
Hobbes teaches me: to hate myself.  
Locke teaches me: that Hobbes' ideas are like "a blank piece of paper."  
Capitalism teaches me: those who have, have, and those who have not, have not because of those who have.  
Communism teaches me: The Roman Empire long ago collapsed, but Imperialism in the form of a "New World Order" is stronger than ever.  
Southam News teaches me: monopolies are achievable.  
The London Free Press teaches me: Southam News is dreaming.  
Democracy teaches me: too many ideas creates inertia.  
Autocracy teaches me: Newton's 3rd Law doesn't apply in this case.  
Philanthropy teaches me: the U.S. is Israel's "Big Brother."  
Misanthropy teaches me: it is alright to "uzi" a stone-thrower.  
Einstein teaches me: too little foresight makes time stand still.  
Pee Wee Herman teaches me: a mind is a terrible thing to waste - that is, unless you work well with your hands.  
The CRTC teaches me: "Orwell's Animal Farm is alive and well and living in Ottawa, Canada."  
The GST teaches me: that former Finance Minister Michael Wilson should consider using a gun the next time he plans to rob Canadians. [Do not tax reading!]  
Galileo teaches me: that truth is not determined by popular belief.  
Louis Farrakahn teaches me: Ideas don't hurt people - their actions do.  
"Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee" teaches me: Hollywood's early portrayal of Indians was libelous.  
Niccolo Machiavelli teaches me: the *ends* justify the *means*.  
Martina Navratilova teaches me: women are equal to men especially when women begin to look like men.  
Censorship teaches me: that I'm suddenly curious about lesbian cannibalism.  
Woody Allen teaches me: he doesn't want to achieve immortality through his writings - he wants to achieve immortality through not dying.  
Cryogenics teaches me: Woody Allen has a chance.  
Mark Twain teaches me to ask: "Why is it that I rejoice at funerals and cry at weddings?  
It is because I realize it could have been me."  
Dead Poet's Society teaches me: Individualists, ironically, rely on conformist forces.  
P.T. Barnum teaches me: "...a sucker is born every second."



Anti-religious humour teaches me: that if the former is true, then God must be a drunken, lying, deceitful, thieving, cheating, murderer.

Alan Dershowitz teaches me: "Countries that have Jews are generally more compassionate than countries that do not have Jews."

The Holocaust teaches me: Compassion was at an all-time low!

"Ethnic Cleansing" teaches me: we only cry if our child dies!

The Twentieth Century teaches me: we have never been so pervasively efficient in our self-destruction.

The Canadian Constitution teaches me: Freedom is absolutely abstract.

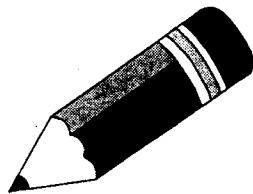
Revenue Canada teaches me: Taxes are abstractly absolute.

Emma Lazarus teaches me: "Give me the wretched refuse of your teeming shore."

Writing this teaches me: One person's teeming shore's another's wretched refuse.

The Warren Commission taught us: Power corrupts.

President John F. Kennedy taught us: "Poetry cleanses."



By Frank Kontos

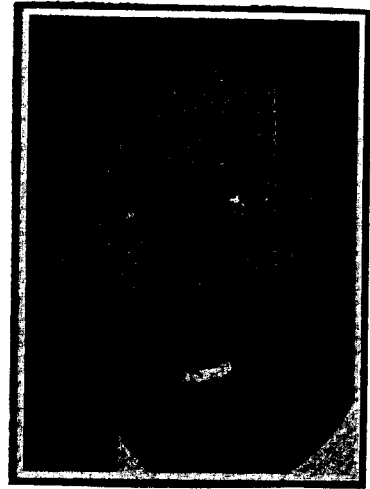
---

## Humour Break

Some years ago Professor Albert Einstein and Dr. Chaim Weizmann sailed together to America on a personal mission to the United Nations. When they arrived in New York City Dr. Weizmann was asked how he and the famous savant had spent their time on the ship.

"Throughout the voyage," Dr. Weizmann replied, "the learned professor kept on talking to me about his theory of relativity." "And what is your opinion about it," asked the young UN delegate. "It seems to me," concluded Dr. Weizmann, "that Professor Einstein understands it very well."

# THE MEDIACRACY OF THE REAGAN PRESIDENCY



**The Reagan presidency: playing the media like a violin - was it the end of an era, or just the beginning of one? Perhaps, just the beginning of the end!**

**D**uring the Reagan era from 1980 to 1988, we witnessed first hand the slow undoing of democracy. It was a study in power politics, of style over substance, and the horror shows of a second-rate Hollywood actor turned ideologue turned president. It was a time when it was not enough to use a mere microscope to put the government up for examination, the job called for a proctoscope. It was also a time when the American people fell victim to a politically performed frontal cerebral lobotomy, and in an eight-year momentary lapse of reason allowed democracy to go on a hiatus. It was a perverse reverse-telling of the Robin Hood lore: steal from the poor and give to the rich.

In hindsight, the Reagan years were full of fulminating ruminations, vitriolic diatribes, hatemongering invectives, denials, blunders, cover-ups, creative lawless imperialism, gunboat diplomacy and outright lies. The planet may forever be in therapy over the abuses of power of the Reagan years. Reagan's tenure as President was an abomination; a subverting force of anything that was good in America. In his belief that he was upholding the American way of life, he subverted it. He subverted it, and furthered the decline of the "Great Society's" collective empiricism known as American democracy!

The Global Village Project takes a backward glance at a time of great backward thinking, and chronicles unflattering newsworthy events from the Reagan years.

## 1980

Nov. 4 - Ronald Reagan wins the election, becoming the 40th President-elect of the United States. He receives 55.3 per cent of the popular vote, 91 per cent of the electoral college votes, and the Democrats lose the Senate for the first time since 1954.

Dec. 8 - John Lennon, former member of the Beatles, is shot by Mark David Chapman in New York.

Dec. 31 - Marshall McLuhan dead at 69. Canadian educator, author, Director of the University of Toronto's Centre for Culture and Technology and media guru was labelled by his colleagues as "the oracle of the electronic age." He coined such catchphrases as "the medium is the message" and "the global village." McLuhan, a pioneer in his in-depth studies of mass media, maintained that the mass media was the signpost, if not the single most important artifact of the 20th century.

## 1981

Jan. 17 - Reagan is inaugurated as the 40th President and comes into the White House in style. The inaugural ball's price tag: \$11 million dollars - the most expensive in American history. The American people pick up the tab. A drop in the bucket compared to things to come.

Jan. 31 - The Indian Point nuclear plant in New York state is shut down after radiation leaks are detected. The true magnitude of the leaks is not publicly disclosed.

Feb. 9 - President Reagan increases the military budget by \$32 million, taking money from an endangered species: social programs.

Mar. 10 - The Reagan administration announces a plan to have welfare recipients work for their benefits.

Mar. 30 - President Reagan is shot in the chest by John W. Hinckley, Jr. Reagan's Press Secretary James Brady is shot in the head, but survives after being reported dead by the three major networks.

Apr. 6 - The United States Supreme Court rules that a person who quits a job due to religious beliefs is protected under the constitution and is entitled to U.I or welfare benefits.

Apr. 15 - Two former FBI agents convicted of illegal break-ins during Nixon's presidency are pardoned by President Reagan. Reagan maintains they served their country "with great distinction."

May 10 - *The Washington Post* headline reads:

**REAGAN WANTS TO ABOLISH CONSUMER PRODUCT AGENCY.**

May 11 - Attorney General Ed Meese labels the American Civil Liberties Union "a criminals' lobby."

June 5 - The Centers for Disease Control issues a report outlining an outbreak of pneumonia related to immunological deficiencies found commonly in cancer patients. All the reported cases were found in homosexual men between the ages of 20 and 35. One doctor claims "that somehow the pneumonia appears to be related to [a] gay lifestyle." Later we learn about HIV (Human Immune-deficiency Virus) and AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.) Note: Ten years later, researchers would come to claim that AIDS was a deliberate ploy created by American Military Intelligence. Population control, reductions of the black population, and the aim to destroy the homosexual community were the analysed motives being explored. Apparently, in major metropolitan centres in the U.S., during an influenza outbreak, an inoculation was being tested. The test required that the subjects be male and homosexual. Each centre tested one thousand subjects. The tests were done in New York, Chicago, Miami, and San Francisco. All these subjects eventually contracted AIDS.

July 8 - United States prosecutors express concern over America's illegal arms exports to Libya and the Soviet Union.

July 15 - The Reagan administration plans cutbacks to civil rights enforcement.

July 16 - Congress approves a \$26 million increase in military spending.

July 29 - Congress approves Reagan's 25% tax-cut bill. The tax reductions are for three consecutive years. These major cuts in taxes are aimed at the wealthy, reducing their individual taxes. Also, major cuts in taxes paid by corporations and oil producers were introduced.

Aug. 8 - Reagan, with congressional approval, solicits the production of neutron bombs.

Aug. 24 - A report surfaces about a team of ex-Green Berets that covertly trained Libyan terrorists.

Sept. 21 - A White House Secret Service agent is arrested for robbing a local bank!

Sept. 23 - It is revealed that former President Richard Nixon used Hoffa's strong-arm Teamsters to beat-up war demonstrators in 1971. The source comes from a 1971 audio tape.

Oct. 23 - The national debt hits a resounding \$1 trillion!

Oct. 23 - It is reported that 114 of the world's most toxic waste sites are located in the United States.

Oct. 28 - Reagan, with Senate approval, sells AWACS to Saudi Arabia.

Nov. 16 - Reagan fires civil rights chief.

Nov. 24 - The Cruise missile project is completed in Washington. Tests of the Cruise missile, without its warhead, are scheduled to take place in Alberta, Canada.

Dec. 4 - Reagan broadens the scope of

the GLOBAL VILLAGE project

the Central Intelligence Agency's powers, allowing it to spy on private citizens in the United States!

Dec. 10 - Reagan suggests that all Americans immediately withdraw from Libya. *Something's up!*

## 1982

Jan. 19 - During Reagan's 7th press conference he emphatically states that "a million people more working than there were in 1980." However, statistics illustrate that 100,000 *fewer* people are employed!-

Jan. 24 - U.S. military files confirm reports that the United States did in fact secretly spray herbicides in Laos during the Viet Nam War.

Feb. 9 - Vice-President George Bush denies that he ever used the phrase "voodoo economics," and challenges "anybody to find it." NBC immediately broadcasts a 1980 video tape of Bush using the term.

Feb. 27 - The Congressional Budget Office discovers that taxpayers earning under \$10,000 per year lost an average of \$240 from last year's tax cuts, while those earning over \$80,000 gained an average of \$15,000.

Mar. 5 - Comedian John Belushi dies of a drug overdose.

Mar. 6 - LAPD chief Daryl Gates, at a press conference, attempts to explain why so many blacks have been killed by police choke holds, it is because "in some blacks . . . the veins or arteries do not open up as fast as they do in *normal* people."

Mar. 8 - The United States denounces the Soviets use of chemical weapons against Afghan rebels. *Dear Reader: Please take note of Nov. 7, 1983.*

Mar. 10 - Reagan bans Libyan oil imports, charging Libya with supporting global terrorism.

Mar. 13 - During Reagan's 10th press conference he goes on record as saying that he thinks that trees cause more pollution than cars!

Mar. 20 - Nicaragua summons The World Court, the United Nations Judicial Branch, to confirm the United States' invasion of its "sovereign" territory as illegal.

Mar. 21 - Reagan asks CIA deputy director Bobby Inman, during a National Security Council meeting about Soviet weaponry, "Isn't the SS-19 their biggest missile?" Inman shaking his head replies, "No, that's the SS-18." "So," says the President, "they've even switched the numbers on their missiles in order to confuse us!" The deputy director patiently explains that the numbers are assigned by U.S. intelligence.

Apr. 6 - Secretary of State Alexander Haig makes it known that the U.S. will not bar first use of nuclear arms.

May 29 - The Pentagon today initiated a first-draft strategy outlining how to fight a protracted nuclear war.

June 12 - Supporters of a nuclear freeze gather in New York's Central Park. It is the largest anti-nuclear demonstration in U.S. history with nearly one million protesters attending. President Reagan suggests that the "commies" are behind it.

June 26 - The United States vetoes a United Nations resolution calling for a limited withdrawal from Beirut by the Israeli's and the PLO.

July 19 - The U.S. Census Bureau confirms the poverty rate at 15%. The poverty rate has increased by close to 8% since Reagan assumed the presidency.

July 28 - San Francisco, California becomes the first city in the United States to ban handguns.

Aug. 5 - Congress rejects proposals for nuclear arms freeze.

Sept. 18 - The Sabra and Shatila massacre. Two Palestinian refugee camps in West Beirut are attacked. Reports indicate that at least 2,000 men, women and children are slaughtered.

Sept. 25 - In Israel's capital, Tel Aviv, hundreds of thousands of people demonstrated today against Begin and Sharon, believing that the two men were somehow involved in the Sabra/Shatila massacre of Palestinian refugees. An Israeli army spokesperson admits that his army did seal the perimeter of the two camps as the mass murder took place.

Sept. 30 - Cyanide laced Extra-Strength Tylenol kills 7 people in Chicago.

Oct. 4 - Reagan opines (due to high unemployment statistics) that since the help-wanted sections in the daily newspapers are so big, unemployment must be caused by a lot of lazy people who would just rather not work. A *perfect example of Reagan logic at work!!*

Oct. 9 - Reagan, during a sound check for his weekly radio address, is overheard referring to the Polish government as "a bunch of no-good lousy bums."

⊗ *The New York Times* headlines read: **JOBLESS RATE IS UP . . . WORST IN 42 YEARS** and **11 MILLION ARE IDLE**

Oct. 16 - The United States threatens to break ties with the United Nations if Israel is denied a seat.

Oct. 18 - Reagan is in a state of confusion while making a speech at a Grand Old Party (GOP) fund-raiser. "...we are trying to get unemployment to go up and, I think, we are going to succeed."

Oct. 19 - John DeLorean is arrested in a Los Angeles hotel room after the FBI setup a \$25 million cocaine deal with the nearly financially-collapsed automaker. *I'm not sure who is the guilty party in this scenario? But, one thing is certain, hypothetically speaking of course, if an 18 year-old black male were in DeLorean's shoes at the time of the bust, he would still be rotting in some American prison today! A American law, in practise, only serves the rich.*

Nov. 15 - *The New York Times* headline reads:

**GOVERNMENT RESTRICTING  
FLOW OF INFORMATION TO  
THE PUBLIC.**

Dec. 4 - *The New York Times* headline reads: **U.S. JOBLESS RATE CLIMBS TO 10.8%, A POSTWAR RECORD 11.9 MILLION OUT OF WORK.**

Dec. 21 - Congress, out of necessity, passes the Boland Amendment, barring the CIA and Defense Department from funding the overthrow of the Nicaraguan government. The CIA manages later to circumvent this Congressional amendment in the form of funnelling medical aid money.

## 1983

Jan. 20 - During an interview with *Business Week* magazine, James Watt likens environmentalists to Nazis. Chairman of the *Wilderness Society*, Gaylord Nelson responds, "I think the secretary has gone bonkers."

Jan. 25 - "For the last thirty years he's [Ronald Reagan] been in a dream world. I think he actually believes that giving more to rich people will make them work harder, whereas the only way to make poor people work is to tax their unemployment benefits." - National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) executive director Benjamin Hooks commenting on Reagan's out-of-touch-with-reality treatment of the underclass.

Jan. 31 - President Reagan's budget calls for a 10% increase in military spending.

Feb. 7 - A report shows that the United States harboured NAZI scientists and its elite members after WWII. The U.S. State Department refuses to comment on the CIA's link to S.S. officers like Klaus Barbie.

Feb. 24 - Three Canadian documentaries, by the National Film Board of Canada, including the film *If You Love This Planet*, are classified

by the American Justice Department as "political propaganda." *Dear Ronnie: Propaganda schmopaganda! Trees were on this planet for "billions and billions" of years, the "Industrial Age" for 150 years - this reasoning alone should be your wake-up call! That is, man has created more pollution in the last 100 years than nature could since the "Big Bang(s)" occurred.*

Mar. 2 - CIA-Intelligence analysts report that U.S. claims of Soviet arms buildup have been highly exaggerated in the last ten years. *Cold War propaganda aimed at the Soviets! Paranoia will destroy ya!*

Mar. 5 - President Reagan is confused (again) while speaking to an assemblage of Oregon lumbermen, "There is today in the United States as much forest as there was when Washington was at Valley Forge." *Perhaps, the publishers of the Oxford dictionary might consider placing a picture of President Reagan beside the word "disillusionment."*

Mar. 8 - President Reagan emphatically states at a national convention of evangelicals (who are his emissaries in delivering, to their congregations), the message that the Soviet Union is "the focus of evil in the modern world . . . and an evil empire." Reagan added a bit of Orwell's pretzel-logic, in saying that arms reductions are only an "illusion of peace" and "the reality is that we must find peace through strength." Commenting on Reagan's speech, historian, Henry Steele Commager exclaims: "It was the worst presidential speech in American history. And I've read them all." Several times Reagan reiterates his evil empire diatribes when referring to the Soviet Union. *Evil Empire schmempire! America has nearly 5 per cent of the world's population and yet is home to 75 per cent of the world's serial killers!!! Don't throw bricks when you live in a glass house Mr. Reagan.*

Mar. 9 - Reports surface that President Reagan suffers from a "pathological hatred of Socialism and Communism."

Mar. 19 - The Commission on Civil Rights says Reagan's administration hinders the Commission's work.

Apr. 11 - Richard Attenborough's *Gandhi* sweeps the awards at the Oscars.

Apr. 14 - Rep. Edward Boland of Massachusetts, author of the Boland Amendment banning covert aid to the Contra rebels, says "the evidence is very strong" that Reagan's administration was violating the law. *The seeds of the Iran-Contra scandal?*

June 8 - A presidential panel concludes that manmade pollution is a major cause of acid rain. *Shouldn't somebody tell this to President Reagan? Apparently he thinks trees are responsible for the pollution problem!?!*

June 10 - House Majority Leader Jim Wright, critical of President Reagan's claim that he has increased federal aid to education, says that "it embarrasses all of us as Americans to have to point out that the President of the United States is not telling the truth . . ."

June 14 - The Civil Rights Commission blames Reagan for lax civil rights policies in schools.

June 16 - A young Jewish student presents Ronald Reagan with a petition supporting a nuclear freeze. The female student reports that President Reagan "expressed the belief that there must be something wrong with the freeze if the Soviets want it."

June 25 - Secretary of State George Shultz reaffirms U.S. support of Philippines' right-wing dictator Ferdinand Marcos.

July 1 - Poll shows that most Americans do not know whom the United States supports in Central America.

July 20-24 - A barrage of reports originating from Iraq claim that the United States is furnishing Iran with arms.

Aug. 3 - The New York Times headline reads: **POVERTY RATE**

the GLOBAL VILLAGE project

**ROSE TO 15% IN '82, HIGHEST LEVEL SINCE MID-1960'S**

Aug. 17 - Reagan sells heavy water and materials to Argentina for use in atomic plant.

Sept. 1 - Korean airliner 007 with 269 people aboard falls off radar scope and disappears near Sakhalin Island, 1,000 kilometres off course.

Sept. 4 - The United States admits that one of their spy planes was in the area before the downing of the Korean jet.

Sept. 11 - El Salvador condemns American-backed "Death Squads"

Sept. 21 - Secretary James Watt speaks before a lobby group and describes his cornucopia commission in a "politically incorrect" way by saying, "We have every kind of mix you can have. I have a black, I have a woman, two Jews and a cripple." A public furore breaks out. Watts' resignation is destined.

Oct. 16 Publisher Larry Flynt announces his candidacy for the presidency. In keeping with the present administration, Flynt says that he is running as a Republican because he is "white, wealthy and pornographic." His campaign rhetoric is [I'll] "outdo James Watt. I promise to have a black, a woman, two Jews, a cripple, a homosexual, an Oriental . . . and a Mexican in my Cabinet."

Oct. 25 - President Reagan insists that U.S. medical students on the island of Grenada are in "grave" danger. Reagan launches an invasion. Grenada is attacked and marines accidentally shoot each other during crossfire. The U.S. government orders a news blackout, preventing the press from covering the invasion.

Oct. 26 - President Reagan bars reporters from covering Grenada.

Oct. 26 - Several American medical students criticised the American government's actions concerning Grenada. "Our safety was never in danger. We were used by this government as an excuse to invade

Grenada."

Oct. 31 - House speaker Tip O'Neill, far from adulating Reagan's presidential work ethics, says, "He [Reagan] doesn't do his homework. He doesn't read his briefing papers. It's sinful that this man is President of the United States."

Nov. 7 - Vice-President George Bush breaks a Senate tie by voting to resume the production of nerve gas and chemical weapons. [The U.S. government secretly sells them to warring countries Iraq and Iran; publicly supporting Iraq and secretly supporting Iran.] *Dear Reader: Please take note of March 8, 1982.*

Nov. 10 - Reagan assures everyone around him that he [Bush] did the right thing by voting in favour of chemical weapons. [*Wasn't George Bush the one who condemned Saddam Hussein's use of chemical weapons against Iran, the Kurds, and during the Persian Gulf war?*]

Dec. 2 - The Reagan administration attacks hiring quotas for blacks.

Dec. 8 - Attorney General Ed Meese denies the notion that there are hungry children in America. Activists condemn the administration's policies "as unnecessarily cruel to the poor."

Dec. 12 - President Reagan embellishes a story before the Congressional Medal of Honor Society. It is later found untrue, after checking the historic record for the citations on all 434 Congressional Medals of Honor awarded during WWII.

Dec. 16 - Press Secretary Larry Speakes attempts to justify Reagan's war story by saying, "If you tell the same story five times, it's true." *What???*

Dec. 28 - A member of President Reagan's *Task Force on Food Assistance* says he really doubts that "anyone in their right mind believes that there is a massive hunger problem." Adding further that black children are "probably the best-

nourished group in the United States." *As always, the Reagan administration manages to make insensitive type blanket statements, at of all times, during the Christmas season!*

## 1984

Jan. 10 - The Presidential Commission's report denies that hunger is rampant in the United States. *Relative to what?*

Jan. 25 - *Washington Post* journalist Milton Coleman reports that Rev. Jesse Jackson refers to Jews as "Hymie" and labels New York as "Hymietown."

Feb. 13 - *The Washington Post* publishes Jesse Jackson's disparaging words aimed at Jews. Reporter Milton Coleman is identified as the source. Coleman picked-up on Jackson's words at an off-the-record breakfast.

Feb. 19 - Jesse Jackson denies saying anything about Jews disparagingly. Jackson angrily responds to the allegation, "It simply is not true, and I think that the accuser ought to come forth."

Feb. 23 - Jesse Jackson tells Barbara Walters (who is Jewish) during a New Hampshire debate that he does not recall using the terms "Hymie" & "Hymietown."

Feb. 26 - At a synagogue Jesse apologises to a Jewish audience saying that it "was not done in the spirit of meanness." *Too late Mr. Jackson, the damage has already been done!*

Feb. 27 - An influential voting bloc "Young Urban Professionals" - called "yuppies" - continue to define the cultural ethos by driving BMW's, drinking bottled water, listening to New Wave music, using artificial sweeteners, wearing running shoes with their suits, owning portable cellular telephones, and the list goes on.

Mar. 2 - The Rob Reiner film *This is Spinal Tap* is in theatres across America. Later, the fictitious group goes out and actually tours America



and puts out an album to solidify the illusion. The publicity creates confusion whether the band is real or fictitious. *Let me reassure the reader that three members of Spinal Tap are comedians Michael McKean (Lenny from the TV series Laverne and Shirley) Christopher Guest and Harry Shearer (both formerly of the Saturday Night Live ensemble).*

**Apr. 4** - President Reagan's administration is perceived to be helping the rich at the expense of the poor. Using the technique of plausible deniability, he responds to the allegation, "It's a political problem if people believe it, but there's absolutely no truth in it."

**Apr. 6** - *The Wall Street Journal* reports that there was direct CIA involvement in the mining of Nicaraguan harbours.

**Apr. 8** - The World Court proclaims that America's mining of Nicaraguan harbours was illegal.

**Apr. 8** - Reagan denies authority of World Court decision on American foreign policy in Nicaragua.

**Apr. 9** - Nicaragua again summons the World Court to declare that U.S. backed Contra raids are illegal. Nicaragua is a sovereign country and is legally correct.

**Apr. 9** - President Reagan says that the United Nations cannot dictate American foreign policy in Nicaragua.

**Apr. 10** - The Senate vote was 84-12 to stop any funds for the mining of Nicaraguan harbours. To counter this, the CIA sets up blockades in Nicaraguan harbours.

**Apr. 22** - Comedian Jerry Lewis says that he wrote his autobiography "more to be able to mention that Jack Kennedy and I were friends than anything else."

**Apr. 26** - CIA director, William Casey apologises to the Senate Intelligence Committee for keeping the Nicaraguan mining a secret.

*The New York Times* headline reads: **ROBERT KENNEDY'S SON DAVID FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL.** This report confirmed that David Kennedy was a heroin user.

**May 1** - Statistics show that nearly 500,000 people in the United States are homeless.

**May. 7** - Agent Orange class action suit is settled out of court for nearly \$200 million.

**May 10** - The World Court rules that the United States should halt blockades of Nicaraguan harbours.

**May 15** - *The Senate Foreign Relations Committee* reveals that the United States Information Agency's (USIA) overseas speaking program blacklisted prominent Americans of left-wing persuasion from participating in overseas speaking tours. Among the blacklisted were Walter Cronkite and Coretta Scott King.

**June 12** - Reagan calls the Soviet Union a Mickey Mouse system.

**June 14** - At his 25th Press conference President Reagan announces that his tax policies have produced a windfall for the poor. *Yeah, right, and that's why the poverty rate during the Reagan presidency was the highest since the Great Depression.*

**June 22** - Secret funds going to the Contras.

**June 30** - In Ottawa, John Turner is sworn in as Canada's 17th Prime Minister.

**July 2** - New York's high court rules that the mandatory death penalty law is unconstitutional.

**July 16** - New York Governor Mario Cuomo's speech is stunning in its eloquence. "There is despair, Mr. President, in the faces that you don't see, in the places that you don't visit in your shining city." ["*Out of sight out of mind*" makes denial very easy and comfortable.] " . . . the man [Reagan] who believes in having government mandate people's religion

and morality. The man who believes that trees pollute the environment, the man that believes that the laws against discrimination against people go too far." *Much kudos to Cuomo!*

**July 24** - A congressional study reports that welfare cuts have pushed another 500,000 people (mostly children) into poverty.

**July 25** - President Reagan spews out the following anti-left vitriol while on his reelection campaign in Texas. "The national Democratic leadership is going so far left they've left America."

**Aug. 3** - The American Census Bureau reports that nearly 40 million Americans were impoverished in 1983. This represents close to 20% of the population.

**Aug. 12** - President Reagan jokes about bombing the Soviet Union, failing to realise that the microphone is on.

**Aug. 22** - Senator Paul Laxalt, backing the Reagan nomination says, "The Reagan administration has done more for the needy than any in all history." *Yeah, they've made the poor poorer!*

**Sept. 4** - Brian Mulroney's conservatives win Canada's federal election by a landslide. The Tories walked away with 211 of the 282 federal ridings. *A republican president and a conservative prime minister impress upon me the idea that we're doomed!"*

**Sept. 8** - Reports leak that the Contra rebels received \$20 million through privately donated funds setup as humanitarian-aid foundations. These so-called foundations prevent the funding from being traced back to the private donors.

**Sept. 20** - While on the campaign trail, Vice-President George Bush reaffirms America's position in Nicaragua by disseminating disinformation about the fate of Somoza and his American backed regime. "The Sandinistas came in. They overthrew Somoza. Killed him and overthrew him. Killed him, threw

him out." *Well, not quite George! First, Somoza fled Nicaragua to Miami, Florida (1979) during a Sandinista revolt against the atrocities committed by the Somoza regime - Somoza was quite alive at this time. Second, the Sandinistas did not come into Nicaragua, they are native to Nicaragua since the start of this century. The term Sandinista comes from a Nicaraguan native, Cesar Augustus Sandino, who fought American Imperialism before Communism existed, becoming a hero to the Nicaraguan people. And if anyone killed anyone, it was the Somoza regime who killed Sandino in 1934. Disinformation was a signpost of the Reagan administration. It preyed on the ignorance of the American public.*

Sept. 26 - President Reagan blames the Carter administration for the latest series of bombings in Beirut, Lebanon. *Reagan has never, going into his 5th year as President, accepted accountability for his or his administration's repeated failures. Role models from Hell!*

Oct. 7 - An Ohio medical student gives her reason why she rejects Walter Mondale for the presidency. "I don't like a guy who admits he will raise taxes." *It's obvious, then, some Americans would rather be lied to!*

Oct. 7 - During their first debate, Mondale clearly, at all levels, beat his opponent, Reagan. Reagan stuttered, paused for mini-eternities and got his facts mixed-up. For example, Reagan claimed that the rate of poverty "is a lower rate of increase than it was in the preceding years before we got here." In fact, it was the highest in some instances since the Great Depression.

Oct. 11 - George Bush is questioned about his claims that a nuclear war is "winnable."

Oct. 15 - The Associated Press leaks the existence of a CIA terrorist manual orchestrating the Contras on how to subvert Nicaraguan life by way of chaos and terrorism. It outlines the following methods: how to blackmail

unwilling citizens into supporting the Contra cause; how to arrange the death of fellow Contras to generate media sympathy in the United States; how to kidnap or "neutralize" (kill) government officials. Reagan officials deny any knowledge of the existence of such a manual.

Oct. 17 - Congress discloses the existence of a Central Intelligence Agency terrorist manual. The manual is used by U.S. backed minutemen, soldiers of fortune, mercenaries, guerillas, rebels and death squads, all of which work for U.S. interests around the world.

Oct. 20 - Walter Mondale comments on the CIA manual. "I don't know which possibility is worse . . . a President who doesn't know what his government is doing or a President knowing of this illegal action and approving it." *And then lying to the American people by claiming ignorance.*

Nov. 5 - Daniel Ortega is elected President of Nicaragua by the majority known as the Sandinistas.

Nov. 6 - Reagan is reelected for a second term as President of the United States. He takes 59% of the popular vote and 525 electoral college votes, the most ever won!

Nov. 26 - The World Court votes to hear Nicaraguan allegations of U.S. aggression.

Dec. 3 - In Bhopal, India, toxic gas and chemical leaks from a U.S. chemical plant (Union Carbide) kills 2,000 and seriously injures 20,000. *In the name of progress, the death toll eventually reached 4,000.*

Dec. 11 - A U.S. Commerce Report shows the 76 bank failures of this year as the highest number recorded since the Great Depression!

## 1985

Jan. 15 - The United States Supreme Court rules that the search and seizure of students without prior evidence are illegal and corrupts the ideal that

everyone is "innocent until proven guilty."

Jan. 18 - Reagan refuses to acknowledge the World Court ruling that America's interference with a sovereign country (Nicaragua) is illegal in that it violates international laws set by the global community. Reagan adds, "The World Court cannot dictate U.S. foreign policy concerning Nicaragua."

Feb. 6 - A former-Mossad chief concedes that secret-service agents carried out politically motivated assassinations against Nazis that Israel could not bring to trial.

Feb. 12 - The United States announces the deployment of nuclear arms to Canada, Iceland, Bermuda and Puerto Rico. *Have they forgotten the Cuban Missile Crisis or is this just another example of their "double-standards" practices?*

Feb. 17 - General Westmoreland remarks that the naked young girl shown running down the road in a famous Viet Nam war photo had not been the victim of an American napalm attack, but had been burned by a hibachi while barbecuing amid American bombing sorties. *Would you believe? Or how about . . .?*

Feb. 21 - Reagan strongly suggests that the U.S. role in Nicaragua be to topple the Communist-backed Sandinista government.

Mar. 1 - Reagan tentative to accept a Pentagon report theorising that an atomic war would block the sun and bring on the effects known as "nuclear winter."

Mar. 26 - General Electric is indicted on 108 counts of fraud for milking the Pentagon for close to \$1 million. GE pleads guilty.

Apr. 29 - President Reagan visits Bitburg cemetery in West Germany. *Once a fascist, always a fascist!*

Apr. 7 - The Soviet Union announces a "unilateral freeze" of medium-range nuclear missiles. *This means nothing to President Reagan since he supports*

*a peace through strength policy. This act by Gorbachev only consolidates U.S. world power.*

**May 8** - European opponents of President Reagan's Nicaraguan policies heckle him at an international conference.

**May 8** - The chairperson of the Civil Rights Commission (CRC) resigned her post after it was discovered that a 1982 book she worked on said that American blacks "insist on preserving their jungle freedoms, their women, their avoidance of personal responsibility and their abhorrence of the work ethic."

**May 13** - Philadelphia mayor, Wilson Goode, orders MOVE (a radical black cult) headquarters bombed. Over 60 homes are destroyed and 11 people killed. One observer commented that "MOVE in its wildest day never perpetrated anything . . . like what Wilson Goode did." *If this action was taken by the Nicaraguan government against its own citizens, it would have been labelled an act of terrorism by President Reagan!*

**May 20** - Israel frees over 1,000 Palestinians in exchange for three Israeli soldiers.

**June 12** - Congress approves \$27 million in humanitarian Contra aid.

**July 14** - The United States Justice Department asks the Supreme Court to overturn the "Roe v. Wade" (Texas) abortion ruling of 1973.

**July 15** - "The President has cancer."

**Aug. 24** - President Reagan in an interview says that South Africa under P. W. Botha is a "reformist administration" that has made great racial progress. "They have eliminated the segregation that we once had in our own country . . . the type of thing where hotels and restaurants and places of entertainment and so forth were segregated - that has all been eliminated." *This guy is way out! Somewhere out by Pluto, I think!*

**Nov. 19** - President Reagan meets with

Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev at a two-day summit in Geneva.

**Nov. 22** - Reagan advocates covert aid to rebels in Angola, Africa.

**Dec. 11** - General Electric acquires both RCA and NBC for "billions and billions" of dollars.

**Dec. 13** - *The New York Times* headline reads: **258 ON U.S. TROOP FLIGHT DIE AS PLANE CRASHES IN GANDER ON WAY HOME FROM MIDEAST.** *I'm almost certain that Farley Mowat didn't have anything to do with it. However, it was later speculated, as crash-site evidence surfaced, that this was a top-secret mission and that the sabotage of this plane was deliberately staged to destroy certain chemical-compound-residues that remained on the soldiers.*

## 1986

**Jan. 4** - Worker killed in nuclear plant in Oklahoma. The same people are involved as with the Karen Silkwood case.

**Jan. 28** - The space shuttle Challenger explodes 74 seconds after liftoff. All seven people aboard die, including a civilian, Christa McAuliffe.

**Feb. 18** - President Reagan crusades for military support for the Contras in Nicaragua.

**Feb. 25** - Ferdinand Marcos and his wife Imelda flee from the Philippines. The two are given free passage to Hawaii by the U.S. It is reported that Imelda Marcos left behind over 3000 pairs of shoes, thousands of exotic dresses and 500 black bras. One insider reported that the Marcos' had \$16 billion in various Swiss bank accounts.

**Mar. 5** - President Reagan revives his anti-communistic diatribes by asking Congress for an additional \$100 million in Contra aid, citing that our borders will be surrounded by a "sea of red" if the House fails to act immediately.

**Mar. 18** - Super right-winger, William

F. Buckley Jr. opines in an article appearing in *The New York Times* that everyone carrying the AIDS virus be tattooed in the upper forearm and on the buttocks, to protect, respectively, common-needle users and homosexuals from victimisation. *And perhaps, Mr. Buckley, all gun owners could have a picture of a gun engraved on their forehead. I suspect that Mr. Buckley would be a proficient architect in the renaissance of the Nazi ideology.*

**Mar. 20** - The House rejects Reagan's \$100 million aid package to the Contra rebels in Nicaragua - Reagan's so-called "freedom fighters."

**Mar. 28** - The Republican Senate, however, passes the \$100 million Contra aid package.

**Apr. 8** - The Reagan administration concurs on a military strike against Libya.

**Apr. 11** - Soviets may resume atomic tests in response to the United States flagrant underground atomic tests in Nevada, resulting in widespread radiation contamination reported from Vancouver, Canada. High levels of radiation are found in Canadian lettuce.

**Apr. 15** - America bombs Tripoli, the capital of Libya. American bombs kill Khadafy's infant daughter. The U.S. claims that it carried out the sorties against Libya in retaliation for Libya's alleged car bombing of a German disco that killed an American serviceman. It is later revealed that the real intent of the bombing mission was to assassinate Libyan President Moammar Khadafy. *The German government - produces irrefutable evidence exonerating Libyan culpability in the disco bombing.*

**Apr. 16** - U.S. media and government propaganda forces successful in campaign targeting Libya. Polls show that close to 80% of Americans support U.S. attack on Libya. *But there is room for improvement in the American propagandamachine. During the Persian Gulf Massacre of 1990, media along with the Pentagon*

*managed to massage the minds of 91% of Americans to accept the war as "the right thing to do!" Pretty soon all Americans will be fooled all the time!*

**Apr. 21** - One American study finds that 20% of adults in the United States are illiterate. *That represents 1 out of 5 in the land of the free and functionally illiterate!*

- Richard Nixon addresses a group of newspaper publishers. When Nixon is asked what he thinks the lessons were of Watergate, he smugly replies in jest, "Just destroy all the tapes." *It is safe to say that jest in this case is an indictment of the English proverb, "Many a true word is spoken in jest."*

**Apr. 28** - Chernobyl nuclear power plant advances to meltdown. Disaster is averted, but 31 people are killed and over a hundred thousand people must be evacuated. The Americans charge that Chernobyl's radiation leaks are so widespread that lettuce imported from Canada are found to carry radio-active isotopes. However, the Canadian exporters of the lettuce blame the contamination on American nuclear detonations in the Nevada desert.

**May 21** - Reagan supports arms sales for Saudi Arabia.

- President Reagan, opines to a group of college students, "I don't believe that there is anyone that is going hungry in America simply by reason of denial or lack of ability to feed them. It is by people not knowing where or how to get this help." *Ironically though, the Reagan administration eliminated the government program that informed needy people of available benefits.*

**June 11** - The Supreme Court upholds the Roe v. Wade decision of legalised abortions.

**June 20** - *The New York Times* decide that "Ms." is now allowed to appear in the paper's pages because it is now a part of the language. *How about George Carlin's seven words?!*

**June 25** - The House finally votes in a near split decision 221-209 in favour

of \$100 million in Contra aid.

**June 27** - The World Court rules that the United States funding and support of the Contra rebels in Nicaragua is illegal!

**July 1** - The Supreme Court, 5-4, says states have the right to outlaw private homosexual acts. *As much as State shouldn't mix in the affairs of Church, neither should it mix in the affairs of sexual matters between consenting adults.*

**July 11** - President Reagan puts the handling of the Contras into the hands of the CIA.

**July 22** - President Reagan addresses the nation to explain his opposition to economic sanctions against South Africa, which, during the course of his address, he refers to as South America.

**July 30** - Right-wing justice, William Rehnquist, a Reagan nominee, defends himself at his confirmation hearing, failing to recall that his Vermont vacation home came with an unlawful stipulation prohibiting its sale to anyone of the "Hebrew race." A 1974 letter from his lawyer informing Rehnquist of this stipulation is soon discovered.

**Aug. 7** - Reagan loyalists want to repeal the 22nd Amendment to the Constitution that restricts to two terms the President's tenure, and give Reagan a third term rally.

**Aug. 25** - *The Wall Street Journal* reports that the U.S. and Libya "are on a collision course again" and that Khadafy will soon be taught "another lesson."

**Aug. 27** - A report from Washington shows evidence that the U.S. "accidentally" dropped a 40,000-pound hydrogen bomb on New Mexico in 1957. This was a little known public fact, probably comparable in radiation leaks to Chernobyl.

**Sept. 17** - William Rehnquist is confirmed as Chief Justice, 65-33. This is the lowest vote received by a confirmed Chief Justice. Reagan's

legacy lives! The Chief Justice can hold this seat for his entire life!

**Sept. 26** - President Reagan vetoes a bill calling for sanctions against South Africa.

**Sept. 29** - Congress overrides Reagan's veto.

**Oct. 2** - Bob Woodward, master reporter from *The Washington Post*, and of Watergate fame, reveals the U.S. strategy, devised by National Security Adviser John Poindexter, of lying to the media about Libya in order to liquidate Khadafy. Secretary of State George Shultz quips loosely about Khadafy, "Why don't we give him AIDS?"

**Oct. 5** - A cargo supply plane is shot down in Nicaraguan airspace. The cargo plane was destined to rendezvous with Contra rebels. Three American mercenaries die in the crash, while sole survivor Eugene Hasenfus is soon captured in the jungle. The White House, the State Department, the Defence Department, and the CIA all vehemently claim non-involvement. It is later determined that Hasenfus's mission was sponsored by the CIA. *All the while the American government is publicly denying the massive Contra resupply operation, covertly, the Iran-Contra dealings are in full flight.*

**Oct. 20** - *The Washington Post*, headline reads: **BUSH AWARE OF CONTRA OPERATION, HASENFUS SAYS**

**Oct. 30** - Attorney General Ed Meese urges employers to begin spying on workers in "locker rooms, parking lots, shipping and mail room areas and even in nearby taverns" in attempts to catch them using drugs. *Is George Orwell rolling in his grave, or what??*

**Oct. 31** - *The New York Times* reported a bizarre story about the type of individual who supported the Reagan administration. The article went on to say: "In a seeming paradox, those who approve of lying were much more likely to believe the Administration tells the truth . . . The

paradox was explained by the fact that almost all of those who approved of not telling the whole truth were supporters of the Administration."

Nov. 3 - A Lebanese magazine reveals that the U.S. has secretly been supplying arms to Iran.

Nov. 4 - The Democrats reclaim the Senate, 55-45. However, California voters remove state Supreme Court Justice and two colleagues for being too liberal.

Nov. 6 - The mystery behind the Iran Contra arms scandal begins to unravel.

Nov. 13 - President Reagan addresses the nation on the Iran arms deal, while embellishing the truth.

Nov. 14 - Reagan loyalist Donald Regan is asked whether it isn't hypocritical to ask other nations not to ship arms to Iran while we do just that." "Hypocrisy," Regan explains, "is a question of degree."

Nov. 18 - *The Los Angeles Times*, headline reads: **79% REJECT PRESIDENT'S EXPLANATION OF IRAN DEAL**

Nov. 21 - The shredding machine in Col. Oliver North's office jams. *Dear Mr. North: The shredding machine was not by any chance American made? Perhaps a Japanese model would be more reliable?*

Nov. 25 - ABC's Peter Jennings says, "The Iran affair is now a scandal."

Nov. 27 - It is alleged that Oliver North shredded documents while the Justice Department inquiry was underway.

Dec. 1 - A Gallup poll shows President Reagan's popularity plummeted from 67% to 46%.

Dec. 9 - An American poll shows that 47% of the American public believes that President Reagan is lying about the diversion of Iranian funds from arms sales.

Dec. 12 - A *Los Angeles Times* poll

shows that 78% of Americans believe that there is a "cover-up" at the White House concerning Iranian arms sales.

Dec. 23 - Senator Patrick Leahy strongly opines that "the President ordered this whole operation on Iran ... Even Alice in Wonderland doesn't get this twisted around."

## 1987

Jan. 9 - The White House releases the finding - signed by President Reagan on January 17, 1986 - authorising the sale of arms to Iran and ordering the CIA not to tell Congress. In addition, a three page memo is released justifying the policy.

Jan. 20 - *The New York Times* headline reads: **CONTRA ARMS CREWS SAID TO SMUGGLE DRUGS**

Jan. 22 - An ABC News poll shows that 62% of the public believes President Reagan is lying about the Iran-Contra scandal.

Jan. 26 - President Reagan, in a closed interview conducted by the Tower Commission, acknowledges having authorised the arms sale to Iran in August 1985.

Jan. 26 - President Reagan in a desperate attempt to show his leadership skills, takes charge and vetoes - of all things - a clean water bill. The veto is, of course, overridden. *Perhaps President Reagan thinks that fish are a major cause of water pollution???*

Feb. 11 - President Reagan informs the Tower Commission that he now remembers that he did not authorise the arms sale to Iran in advance. President Reagan mistakenly reads his stage instructions aloud from a memo supplied by Reagan aides.

Feb. 20 - President Reagan writes to the Tower Commission to set the record straight about whether he authorised an arms to Iran deal. Reagan writes: "The simple truth is, I don't remember, period!" " *Pick a*

*story. Pick any story!*

Feb. 22 - Fawn Hall (Oliver North's secretary) admits to helping North shred documents. Shortly after her congressional testimony, she is offered \$500,000 to pose nude, but she declines the offer. *Dear Ollie: The President may love your ass, but most of us guys prefer Fawn Hall's.*

Feb. 24 - President Reagan attempts to justify to a group of reporters his lapse of memory in the arms for Iran deal. He employs the "what did you have for breakfast three months ago" trick. Reagan goes on to say, "I'd like to ask one question of everybody. Everybody that can remember what they were doing on August 8th of 1985, raise your hand. I think it's possible to forget. Nobody's raised any hands." *Perhaps the President might have gotten a different response if he had asked, more germanely, "Everybody that would remember approving the sale of arms to an enemy nation, raise your hand."*

Mar. 22 - The Mobro 4,000, a barge filled with nearly 3,200 tons of New York garbage, begins an 162-day journey searching for a port willing to dispose of its load. After being turned away by six states and three countries, the Mobro returns to New York City, where the city decides to burn the trash. *Months later hospital debris, such as syringes, vials, blood bags and so forth, wash up along the shores of Boston. American's are notorious for disposing of their waste. For example, the Americans would take nuclear and other toxic-industrial wastes to an intermediate country, like Italy for instance, and then in turn the Italians would take this waste to northern Africa and dump it there. Another favourite American dumping ground is Mexico.*

Apr. 9 - President Reagan tells reporters that the Soviet bugging of the U.S. embassy in Moscow was "outrageous." *Dear Mr. President: Was not the U.S. bugging of the Soviet embassy in Washington equally outrageous? What's that you say Mr President, "Facts don't matter, perception is reality."*

Apr. 15 - It is revealed that the address of the Reagan's Bel Air home is: 666 St Cloud. The Reagan's change the address to a less satanic 668.

Apr. 23 - The Space Defense Initiative (SDI), according to one critical study, is a system that cannot survive an attack.

May 5 - The Iran-Contra hearings get underway in Washington.

May 6 - CIA director, William J. Casey dies of complications of cancer.

May 27 - A CIA operative testifies at the Iran-Contra hearing that Oliver North once said, "These people want me, but they cannot touch me because the old man [Reagan] loves my ass." *This quotation is also in the movie Air America, about the CIA's clandestine air operations in southeast Asia.*

May 29 - Interior Secretary Donald Hodel is reported to be backing away from strict controls on fluorocarbons to protect the ozone layer. A new plan calls for a public relations campaign to encourage people to protect *themselves* by wearing sunglasses, hats, and sun-screen lotion. *Tell this to the planet's sunglassless, hatless and lotionless creatures, and how they are to avoid skin cancer!*

June 18 - *The New York Times* headline reads: **DETECTION TEST SHOWS AIRLINES DIDN'T FIND 20% OF WEAPONS.** *I find this statistic hard to swallow, after all, if they didn't find 20% of weapons, then how do they know it's 20%, unless they found them. How do they know, if they supposedly don't know! Go figure.*

July 7 - Lt. Col. Oliver North begins his six nationally televised days before the Iran-Contra Committee by saying, "I came here to tell you the truth - the good, the bad and the ugly."

July 15 - "Olliemania" peaks! A business consultant considers manufacturing an Oliver North doll.

July 16 - In their first major action

since Oliver North's efforts to make them folk heroes, the Contras kill three children and a pregnant woman.

July 23 - Admiral John Poindexter is reported to have used the phrase "I can't recall," or some variation thereof, 184 times during his five days of testimony.

July 28 - A Reagan speech writer thoughtlessly uses the word "paradigm" in one of the President's speeches, and lo and behold, President Reagan pronounces it "para-die-jum."

July 29 - Hot-tempered traffic disputes on Los Angeles freeways are responsible for 15 highway shootings in a six-week span. Los Angeles freeways are allegorically indicative of how there is a highly significant decrease in tolerance in America.

Aug. 3 - The Iran-Contra hearings come to an end. Oliver North in his six days of testimony has said "I do not recall" 105 times.

Sept. 1 - Protesting American arms shipments to the Contras by blocking a military train, activist Brian Willson loses both legs below the knees when the train fails to stop. In a bizarre twist, members of the train crew sue Mr. Willson for emotional duress the incident caused them.

Sept. 14 - *The Wall Street Journal* headline reads: **BUSH, BLUE-BLOOD, TEXAS OIL MAN, WASHINGTONIAN, STILL MUST CONFRONT THE QUESTION: WHO ARE YOU?**

Sept. 27 - Excerpts are published from Bob Woodward's book Yell: The Secret Wars of the CIA, 1981 - 1987. The media focuses on one particular scene in which the author sneaked into the dying William Casey's (CIA director) hospital room and asked if he knew about the diversion of funds. Casey is reported to have nodded in the affirmative.

Sept. 29 - George Bush after a tour of the Auschwitz death camp rhetorically remarks, "Boy, they were big on crematoriums, weren't they?"

Sept. 30 - *The Washington Post* headline reads: **DOCUMENTS SHOW FBI COMPILED FILES ON MORE THAN 100 TOP U.S. WRITERS.**

- President Reagan complains to the arch-conservative periodical *Washington Times* that a Soviet "disinformation campaign" has made anti-Communism in the U.S. "unfashionable." Reagan refers nostalgically to the good old days when Senator Joseph McCarthy and the House UnAmerican Activities Committee would investigate suspected subversives. Reagan goes on to say, "They've done away with those committees," and "that shows the success of what the Soviets were able to do in this country."

Oct. 15 - Los Angeles awakens to find the city has been bombarded with graffiti paying homage to the President, **CONTRA DICTION.**

Oct. 19 - This day is referred to as black Monday on the stock market because it represents the biggest one-day plummet in the market's recorded history - over a half a trillion dollars are lost. However, when reporters catch up with President Reagan, he is about to depart from the White House via helicopter, and is overheard shouting above the prop's noise, "There is nothing wrong with the economy!"

Nov. 12 - *The New York Times* headline reads: **VAN GOGH'S "IRISES" SELLS FOR \$53.9 MILLION.**

Nov. 18 - The Iran-Contra committee's final report says that President Reagan bears ultimate responsibility for the scandal because he failed to carry out his oath to "take care that the laws be faithfully executed."

## 1988

Jan. 7 - *The Washington Post* headline reads: **BUSH REGULARLY ATTENDED MEETINGS ON IRAN SALES,**

**RECORDS INDICATE  
KNOWLEDGE UNDERSTATED.**

**Jan. 16** - George Bush says, "Voodoo economics . . . that's the only memorable thing I ever said."

**Feb. 3** - *The Washington Post* headline reads:  
**FBI DENIES SURVEILLANCE OF DISSIDENTS WAS MASSIVE.'**

**Feb. 4** - Bork and Ginsburg are out as Anthony Kennedy is confirmed as a Supreme Court Justice by an unanimous 97-0 vote.

**Feb. 21** - *The New York Times* headline reads: **POLL FINDS LESS OPTIMISM IN U.S. ON FUTURE, A FIRST UNDER REAGAN.** *When the party's over, somebody has to clean up the mess that is left behind!*

**Mar. 16** - Desperate for renewal of military aid to the contras, President Reagan claims Nicaragua has invaded Honduras - just as he claimed two years earlier - and sends close to 4,000 U.S. combat troops to Honduras. Even with all Reagan's intents and purposes, Congress passes no aid.

- President Reagan therefore vetoes a major civil rights bill that would restore anti-discrimination laws. The veto is soundly overridden! *And President Reagan still can't understand why he is perceived as insensitive to minorities.*

**Apr. 1** - Bruce Springsteen takes a political stand and spouts off at New York's Nassau Colosseum, "Don't vote for that fuckin' Bush!"

**Apr. 24** - *The Washington Post* headline reads: . . . **SDI WOULD BE CATASTROPHIC FAILURE.'**

**June 8** - President Reagan insinuates that Michael Dukakis's campaign rhetoric is misleading, "You know, if I listened to him long enough, I would be convinced that we're in an economic downturn, and that people are homeless, and people are going without food and medical attention, and that we've got to do something about the unemployed." *Denial ad infinitum ad nauseam!*

**June 14** - *Los Angeles Times* headline reads: **POSTAL CHIEF TO SEEK END TO MAILINGS OF DEADLY VIRUSES.**

**July 3** - The battleship *Vincennes* mistakes Iran Air Flight 655 (passenger airbus) for a fighter plane and blasts it out of the sky, killing nearly 300 people. President Reagan calls it an "understandable accident." Though reliable reports show that the Soviet downing of KAL 007 in September 1983 was also inadvertent, President Reagan insists there can be "no comparison" between the two incidents. Commenting on the *Vincennes* fiasco, George Bush emphatically states, "I will never apologize for the United States of America! I don't care what the facts are!" *And these American leaders have the nerve to label leaders of theocracies and communistic societies, "fanatics!?!"*

**July 6** - Many syringes, blood vials and other hospital paraphernalia - some contaminated with AIDS - wash ashore on Long Island.

**Aug. 4** - Film director Franco Zeffirelli denies that he called the film *The Last Temptation of Christ* "a product of that Jewish cultural scum in Los Angeles." This comment is reported to exist on tape.

**Aug. 14** - President Reagan, during a speech in New Orleans, calls the Democrats "liberal" 22 times. In a monotonic drone Reagan chants, "It's time to talk issues, to use that dreaded 'L' word. Liberal, liberal, liberal." *Liberal thinking in the United States is being targeted in a fashion not unlike the American-Communists of the 50's.*

**Aug. 18** - George Bush states, in his barely competent speech, **READ! MY! LIPS! NO! NEW! TAXES!!! . . . A KINDER AND GENTLER NATION . . .**

**Sept. 16** - The summer Olympics is broadcasted on NBC - a mind numbing 180 hours. Among the Olympics' highlights or lowlights:

⊗ American diver Greg Louganis smashes his head on the diving board.  
⊗ Canadian track star Ben Johnson is stripped of his gold medal when it is determined he is using steroids.

**Oct. 10** - Scientific tests prove that the Shroud of Turin - believed by Catholics to be Christ's burial cloth - was a fake from an era no earlier than the 13th century.

**Oct. 15** - *The New York Times* headline reads: **NUCLEAR HAZARDS AT OHIO WEAPON PLANT WERE ALLOWED BY U.S. FOR DECADES.**

**Oct. 17** - President Reagan pushes to pass a bill mandating the death penalty for drug kingpins.

**Oct. 21** - George Bush in true contradictory form says, "If I'm elected President, if I'm remembered for anything, it would be this: a complete and total ban on chemical weapons. Their destruction forever. That's my solemn mission." *What's this, have the American people already forgotten that George Bush cast several tie-breaking votes in the Senate to resume production of nerve gas!?!?*

**Nov. 4** - *The New York Times* headline reads:

**'VIRUS' IN MILITARY COMPUTERS DISRUPTS SYSTEMS NATIONWIDE**

**Nov. 7** - President Reagan makes his last campaign appearance on behalf of George Bush.

**Nov. 8** - George Bush and Dan Quayle are elected by a 54% - 46% margin. Voter turnout is 50.16%, the lowest since 1924.

**Nov. 15** - Senator John Kerry welcomes the Bush presidency with some tasteless bantering, "The Secret Service is under orders that if Bush is shot, to shoot Quayle." Kerry quickly apologizes.

**Nov. 22** - The Arts and Entertainment Network replays NBC's original coverage of the JFK assassination. It also broadcasts Nigel Turner's indepth documentary about the assassination, "The Men Who Killed Kennedy." The documentary took more than five years to produce and includes over 300 interviews with witnesses.

**Nov. 24** - *The Washington Post* headline reads: **REAGAN POCKET-VEToes STRICTER ETHNIC RULES**

Dec. 6 - New York mayor Ed Koch proposes that any person taking refuge in a city shelter should be charged rent. When his critics ask for a much-needed explanation, Koch simply replies, "It's all part of character building."

Dec. 8 - President Reagan holds his 44th and final press conference. In this conference, as with many previous ones, Reagan blames Congress and the previous President for present budget deficits. However, President Jimmy Carter left office when the debt was still only in the "billions." It was only after Reagan's eight year tenure as President that America's national debt skyrocketed to the unfathomable "trillions." At this point, the theme from the Twilight Zone should start playing. Go figure!

Dec. 22 - President Reagan - whose tenure as President just happens to coincide with the largest increase in the homeless population since the Great Depression - uses an interview with David Brinkley to again reassert his view that many of these unfortunates are homeless by "their own choice," as must be many of the jobless, since he again points out that the Sunday papers are full of want ads.

1989

Jan. 4 - America promotes the idea that Libya is *possibly* producing chemical weapons. During the course of mounting suspicion, U.S. Navy warplanes shoot down two Libyan fighter jets in Libyan airspace. *I wonder what would happen to any country attempting this type of action against the U.S. for similar reasons. I suspect that the country would no longer exist on a world map - it would be blown into oblivion.*

Jan. 11 - President Reagan in his farewell address to the nation suggests that children should monitor their parents for sufficient patriotism, saying, "if your parents haven't been teaching you what it means to be an American, let 'em know and nail 'em on it. That would be a very American thing to do." Mr. Reagan, it would be a very American thing to do if perhaps Hitler were President.

ACT III

Jan. 19 - The Reagans spend their last night in the White House. ☺

**THE BUSH PRESIDENCY:  
Out of the nuclear fire and into  
the frying pan . . . !**

ACT I

the GLOBAL VILLAGE project

**A number of years back, a young Jewish comedian - whose name escapes me - summarised the Reagan Presidency's priorities, best:**

**"Is it not ironic that with all the government cutbacks in educational spending, and teachers being laid-off, the [U.S.] government nevertheless finds money to give to the armaments' industry to develop smarter weaponry. What does all this mean? Well, it means we will be raising smarter bombs and stupid fucking children!"**

**Enough said.**

**O constitutio immobilis: O di  
immortales! ubinam gentium  
sumus? In qua urbe vivimus?  
Quam rem publicam habemus?**

**CAUGHT IN A PARADOXICAL MIND-SET**

The more I read history books and about political events, the more cynical I become in learning the faults of present-day man.

My cynicism, however, is eased by the knowledge that writers want to educate us so that we do not continue to repeat history's mistakes.

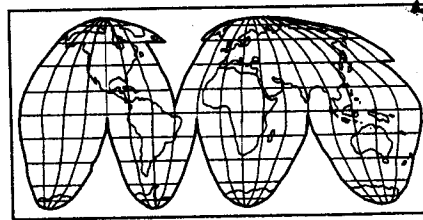
But, I quickly return to my senses and realise that well-read men and well-educated men are responsible for making the decisions which cause history to repeat itself!



# COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP:



## The Light at the End of the Tunnel.



In a free enterprise system one has the right to establish one's own source of income. This right is guaranteed under the following two auspices of our constitution, **The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms**: 1. "To pursue the gaining of a livelihood . . .," and 2. "Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security . . ." If these two principles of the constitution are correct, then this means these inalienable rights are extended to the working class, which is better known in egalitarian circles as the proletariat.

These rights, under the constitution, are protected and are equally guaranteed for all, providing one's pursuit of means is within the confines of the law. Therefore, one would think, armed with this indigenous reaffirmation, working class people would immediately *get-down* to starting their own businesses. However, in most cases, average working people live week-to-week from one paycheque to the other, and don't have the means by which to start a business. Well, there is a way around this common problem and it's called: **collective ownership**. Radical, you say? No, not really, when weighing the benefits that can be gained through its application.

### REASONS FOR COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP

Illustrated below is a model of a privately-owned company showing its monetary disbursements based on hierarchical ranking.

This hypothetical model is based on American politician Jerry Brown's data supporting the fact that *less than 1 per cent of the U.S. population owns 60 per cent of America's wealth*. The Elite and Executive Branch, who comprise two per cent of all the people in this company (country), take nearly 80 per cent of the salary money, while the workers, who represent close to 98 per cent of all the people in this company, receive approximately 22 per cent of the salary money. [And you thought unions were too powerful! Well, think again because the "unions" in North America are among the weakest anywhere on this planet. This is reinforced by the extreme socioeconomic disparity in America today.]

## Jerry Brown's American Pie

[Per Annum disbursements.]

ELITE BRANCH	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	%of Salary Money	%Rep.
4			
	\$28M	52%	.7%
<hr/>			
EXECUTIVE BRANCH	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	%of Salary Money	%Rep
8			
	\$14M	25.9%	1.5%
<hr/>			
WORKERS	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	%of Salary Money	%Rep
525			
	\$7.5M	22.1%	97.8%

Note: No middle ground or middle class exists in the above representation. The middle class phases out - a small percentage moves up, while a preponderance of the middle moves down.

This model exemplifies the American economic system, where *ideally* everyone has "opportunity," but in reality only one-tenth of 1 per cent controls 60 per cent of America's wealth. In America today, the one-tenth of 1 per cent owns 60 per cent of the country's wealth, and the remaining 99 and 9/10 per cent own the 40-per cent balance of wealth. America has been this way since the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. This does not say very much about the sweeping apathy or complacency this type of system implies or produces in its people. Maybe it's not the people, perhaps it's the system and its economic principles that ensure that the wealth remains with the *power elite*. My interpretation of these statistics, from an economic approach, shows that the two constants of capitalism are: wealth is distributed unequally and unfairly; wealth is gained by the few at the expense of the many.

This is the reason that some American politicians who reside in left-of-centre camps, like Jerry Brown, espouse the political thinking that "the middle class is shifting in a downward spiral." Jerry Brown does not mean there is a lessening of the middle class, but that the amount of money it has is becoming less. These extremes are more evident in systems like the American

one, where the individual must rely on individual resources to sustain oneself. Canada is headed in the direction of the American system, shying away from European-style social programs. The time has come not to shy away from equality rhetoric like Herbert Hoover's "A chicken in *every* pot." Unfortunately, in the true realm of things, we are not headed in this direction. The extremes between the classes are becoming more and more distinct, that is, the rich are becoming richer and the poor are becoming noticeably poorer.

Ever since JFK's assassination in 1963, America's economy of being the richest creditor nation has steadfastly spiralled downward to the point where it is now one of the largest debtor countries on the planet. This reflects directly on our (Canada's) economy and the interest we pay to the banks for consumer loans, i.e., credit cards. The very people who gain the most by things staying the same are the people who argue the notion that we all lose through change. Similarly, since the power elite continues to make profit and own by far the largest piece of the American Pie, they will not admit that any socioeconomic problems exist. For example, both the Reagan and Bush presidencies completed their terms in denial of any economic problems. In fact both Republican administrations were

administrations of denial. These two administrations believed in "trickle-down economics" - that is, if the government takes care of America's wealthy then the money they gain gets reinvested or put back into the economy. In theory, perhaps. Or perhaps at this point, one only needs to say, "NOT!!" Political satirist, Mark Russell believes that a trickle-down economy means that money trickles down from John Rockefeller to David Rockefeller.

In reality another picture has made itself apparent - that only the rich got richer . . . , well, you know the rest. Republicans would not admit to any economic problems, except for shifting blame on the previous administration (The Carter Presidency), until America's corporate profit margins began to dwindle. Then the blame shifted outward and Uncle Sam and Daddy Warbucks went to war and slaughtered over 250-thousand people in Iraq to try to control the world's oil market. [Let's face it, if Kuwait only had penguins running around its countryside instead of that black liquid gold called oil, the western world would have never waged war on Iraq!] Conversely however, if the power elite's profits are threatened by a progressive liberal movement which leans toward socioeconomic reform or change, then these same power brokers immediately jump on the democratic bandwagon and argue foul play. As if somehow any other system outside the present one would be undemocratic and a threat to "freedom and democracy." Furthermore, the ideal of wanting everyone to have something at the expense of the few (who own everything already) to greater the benefits of the many, is undemocratic, deprives individuals of their constitutional freedoms, and is communistic. It seems, I think, that dangerous buzz words are readily employed by these few to control

**Political Satirist,  
Mark Russell believes  
that a trickle-down economy  
means that money trickles  
down from John Rockefeller  
to David Rockefeller.**

people's thinking. Enough said.

If memory serves me correctly, there is an old saying, "Two heads are better than one." By a model based on this saying, it could really be a windfall and a closer representation of democracy to have 525 heads instead of just 12 making all the decisions. Isn't it ironic how undemocratic business is? What is that you say, that having this many people making decisions is bad, and that it creates chaos and confusion along the lines of "Too many cooks spoil the broth." Perhaps, but is not this, the idea behind diversity, more indicative of how democracy works than just four company owners, so to speak, controlling everything. We need to democratise knowledge, not monopolise it. Only **democratised** knowledge can resolve our **common** problems. Also, it would not hurt to democratise power - that

is, take power away from the corporations and give it rightfully back to the people. Working people must make decisions and act now, for time is short and becoming shorter. Just think in terms of your money running out

by comparing your 4 per cent (if you're lucky) annual raises with 6 per cent rent increases. Add to this inflation, rampant taxation, and the cost of living. Your \$300.00 dollar-a-week paycheque next year will only be worth \$290.00 and so forth. This reinforces the fact that in the 1950's and 1960's, one income could support a family, car, and mortgage payments. However, because of inflation, a single income today cannot afford a mortgage payment.\* What will tomorrow bring? The answer is collective ownership.

**MILL'S TRANSITION TO COLLECTIVE OWNERSHIP RESOUNDING SUCCESS!**

To reinforce *positively* this idea of

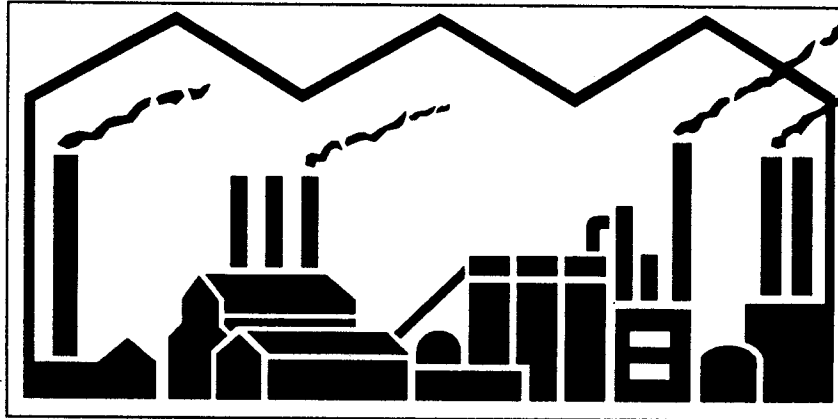
the GLOBAL VILLAGE project

collective ownership, there exists a real success story here in Ontario, Canada, just waiting to be told. It is virtually a "riches to rags to riches" story that ends happily for a northern Ontario pulp and paper mill community. The setting is Kapuskasing, Ontario, where the town's primary source of income is through its pulp and paper mill, that up until one year ago was headed toward an abominable economic collapse by way of its previous p-r-i-v-a-t-e owners. Bankruptcy was just around the corner when the employees gave a proposal to the owners to buy the ill-fated mill. Lo and behold, the mill is now under collective ownership by

its employees. Each employee is now a shareholder in the company, accountable to nobody, except to the idea of success of the whole, by the whole, and for the whole. This is not to say there was not a tremendous price to pay - concessions and sacrifices *had* to be made by the mill's employees in the form of job cutbacks and temporary wage freezes. However, in the last analysis, because of this mill's successful transition from privatisation to collectivisation, the balance weighs in favour of this community thriving for a long time to come. In addition, this so-called *revived* company appeased both the federal and provincial governments by creating an "environmentally-friendly" pulp and paper mill that to date is one of but a handful of mills turning over a profit and doing so in an environmentally-safe way. The environmental issue is not predisposed to either *left* or *right-wing* politics because the outcome of irresponsible environmental management affects us all. Kudos to Kapuskasing, their *kibbutzniks*, and their collective team-spirit!

## OLD WORLD ORDER, SURRENDER? NEVER!!!

In converting to collective ownership a pitfall occurs in that it displaces private interests, a powerful consortium of capitalists, bankers, and money-merchants. And these few, metaphorically speaking,



won't allow their ships to sink without a fight. Throughout history there has been a struggle between the classes - the rich versus the poor. The winners, ultimately, are the rich. Interminably? I don't know. But their track record reinforces today's statistics that the existence of economic extremes between the rich and the poor is becoming larger. It continues to astonish me that our society at large, the so-called greedy "me" society, so charitably glorifies, reveres and adulates the rich, who, representing 1 per cent of the populace, are responsible for the impoverishment and decadence of our society's remaining 99 per cent.

The late Northrop Frye was right, I think, in his judgment that the western hemisphere has lost its ability to think and formulate its thoughts. This is due in part to the Rush Limbaugh-style media giving 70 column-inches to leftist viewpoints and 1200 column-inches to right-wing views. This is not simply a bias but a national right-wing agenda. Is it any wonder that we fail to formulate our thoughts? Media in collusion with government and corporations continue to purge society of left-thinking academics and liberals. Liberal thinking is the target of

a right-wing media whose methods are to discredit all liberal thinkers and left-leaning academics, introducing a new chapter of extremism in America.

Inasmuch as I wish that collective ownership be given a chance to develop in our society, I am skeptical however, armed with the knowledge that history demonstrates no privileged class has ever voluntarily relinquished its powers - from the Roman Empire, to the European monarchies, to the British colonisers, to the Romanov dynasty, to the Afrikaner (Boers), to the slave-masters of the South, to the world's capitalists, bankers, money-merchants, to the male-dominated society, to the "New World Order." The "Old World Order" reigns supremely. This we cannot deny. Over the course of humanity's existence the means have changed but the ends are still the same - that is, the rich stay rich and the poor stay poor. Democratic change is inert and stagnant - especially when the rich control the democratic process. We are presently experiencing an abomination of democracy. We need to rebel and change the national consciousness - a catastrophic revolution in our thinking, so to speak. Mencken once said that "It doesn't take a majority to make a rebellion; it takes only a few determined leaders and a sound cause." (Cited from the Instant Quotation Dictionary.) [If only we can keep these leaders alive long enough to really make a difference!]

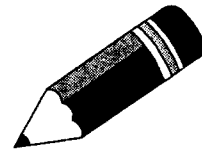
In the words of my favourite iconoclast, Noam Chomsky, "The juggernaut still goes on, but you can throw a lot of sand in its gears." The sand in this case is collective ownership. However, two other methods also exist which, when put to use, can spontaneously initiate economic reforms, and they are: 1. The Underground Economy; and 2. The forfeiture of voluntary borrowing from money-lending institutions. These two topics will be covered in detail in a subsequent issue of The Global Village Project.† Enough said.

[*Author's Note.*] I recommend to the reader a book called The Rich and the Super-Rich by the

late Professor F. Lundberg. Professor Lundberg's book may be dated, but in fact its contents are timeless. The realities within the pages of his book not only hold true today, but are magnified tenfold. Read about: How the very, very rich use charitable foundations to magnify their own financial power; How multi-millionaires can **PAY NO TAXES**, while their servants pay hundreds of dollars in taxes; How the U.S. Congress wrote a tax law to benefit **ONE MAN'S INTERESTS!** For current information on how the "power elite" dominates business, government, and society, read Professor G. W. Domhoff's book Who Rules AMERICA Now? Professor Domhoff reinforces the idea that freedom and equality in America are antithetical concepts. That is, if government promotes exclusively freedom of the individual, the state thereby creates conditions of inequality. Conversely, if government exclusively promotes equality, the state creates conditions that hinder individual rights, opportunities and the individual's freedom to grow. [It comes down to either you support property/material rights or you support human rights. It's as simple as that.]

\*Based on 1992 Statistics Canada figures of an average hourly wage of \$14.50 for industrial workers.  
†Providing sufficient private funds are available for a "subsequent issue."

Written by:



Frank Kontos

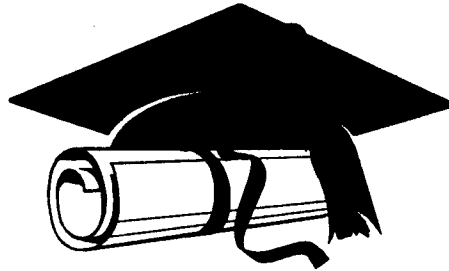
## Humour Break

Professor Nagy: "Good morning, sir.  
How are you?"

Professor Einstein: "Relative to what?"

the GLOBAL VILLAGE project

# INTELLIGENCE tests?



## WHAT INTELLIGENCE tests?

**D**ear Reader: In 1969, Arthur Jensen, through his research, argued that intelligence is about 80 per cent inherited. And twenty years after Jensen's research in determining intelligence, Philippe Rushton, through his research, now argues that intelligence is only about 50 per cent inherited. At this rate, by 2029, genetic inheritance in intelligence will, numerically speaking, have been reduced to zero, while environment will be contributing 110 per cent.

The Jensens and the Rushtons of the world, at one time or another, have argued that their tests of intelligence are absolutely valid. However, few people realise that no tests are absolutely valid. It is tremendously difficult to validate a test. For example, from the very beginning, the search for an adequate measure of intelligence was tied to the search for an adequate theoretical definition

of intelligence. Therefore, how can we know whether an intelligence test is measuring intelligence if we have no criterion of intelligence that is better than the test? And in order to establish validity, we need criterion. But in order to obtain a criterion, we must know what intelligence is, and no one knows for sure. No one has measured intelligence directly and absolutely.

The definition of intelligence implicit in intelligence tests is an operational one, that is, intelligence is defined as what intelligence tests measure. Most intelligence tests have been developed with and for white people, therefore, there are few norms for members of other races, and the established norms may be inappropriate for them. However, if an intelligence test was designed to measure familiarity with the culture of the urban black community, what kind of IQ scores would one expect Rushton, Jensen, or middle-class white suburbanites to get on this test?

Let us, for the sake of an example, take sample questions from "The Dove Counterbalance Intelligence Test."

---

1. A "Handkerchief Head" is, (a) a cool cat; (b) a porter; (c) an "Uncle Tom"; (d) a hoddi; (e) a preacher.
2. Cheap "chitlings" (not the kind you purchase at the frozen-food counter) will taste rubbery unless they are cooked long enough. How soon can you quit cooking them to eat and enjoy them? (a) 15 minutes; (b) 2 hours; (c) 24 hours; (d) 1 week (on a low flame); (e) 1 hour.
3. In "C.C. Rider," what does "C.C." stand for? (a) Civil Service; (b) Church Council; (c) County Circuit preacher of an old-time rambler; (d) Country Club; (e) "Cheating Charley" (the Boxcar gungel).
4. Jazz pianist Ahmad Jamal took an Arabic name after becoming really famous. Previously he had some fame with what he called his "slave name." What was his previous name? (a) Wilbur Lee Jackson; (b) LeRoi Jones; (c) Wilbur McDougal; (d) Fritz Jones; (e) Andy Johnson.
5. If they throw the dice and "7" is showing on the top, what is facing down? (a) "Seven"; (b) "Snake Eyes"; (c) "Boxcars"; (d) "Little Joes"; (e) "Eleven." [So, how well did you do? Get two right?!?]

---

If this test is used in an attempt to compare or determine intelligence levels of blacks and whites, then possibly a Rushton of another colour would be ranking the races, and somewhat differently. The above-mentioned test shows that if a test is developed for people from a specific cultural background, it cannot legitimately be used for people with a markedly different background. For example, of all the various kinds of items on intelligence tests, vocabulary provides the best single estimate of IQ scores. If one had only ten minutes to assess IQ, one would probably use a vocabulary test. But vocabulary depends so clearly on cultural background and education that if someone has never heard words like, "sonata,"

"ingenuous," and "pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis," the person *will* perform poorly on verbal intelligence tests. A further hindrance with verbal intelligence tests will occur when the primary language of the person being tested is not English.

There are two important dangers associated with intelligence testing. One is, as previously mentioned, that the tests are not always valid or accurate. The second is, they can be used unfairly to control people's fates, [I know Professor Rushton, you're not a policy-maker!] Intelligence tests usually turn out to measure much less than most people think they do, and they *never* supply absolutely certain information. The results of all tests are always a matter of probability

- at best, they supply an estimate of what they are designed to measure. The second issue is more complex - and more important. Regardless of test validity, what uses can or will intelligence tests be put to? [I know

## The Intelligence test...serves as a divisive device of an elitist Establishment...

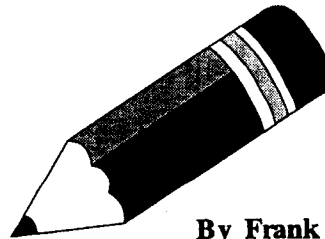
Professor Rushton, you're not a policy-maker!] Tests, however, can supply people with information about themselves - their vocational interests, strengths, and weaknesses, but this can be problematic. Should a psychologist tell a child that he or she has obtained a poor IQ score, (which is basically what Rushton is doing to the black culture), when this information may have the effect of decreasing the child's motivation to learn? Most psychologists supply only approximate information about the results of intelligence tests.

Intelligence tests are tools, and like other tools such as nuclear power, surgeons' scalpels, or a writer's pen, they may be used for desirable or undesirable ends. In the final analysis, it seems that psychologists' knowledge about people grants them a certain power over peoples' fate, a power that can easily become a friend or foe. The intelligence test, per se, I think, at best, serves as a divisive device of an elitist Establishment who, by design, like to pull up the ladder from the rest of society to perpetuate notions like: *us* and *them* - "us" being the supporters of the established order, and "them" everyone else who fails to emulate the us's; divide and conquer; a reliance and eventual dependence on experts, and so on. This leads me to believe that we are being led to accept ideas like: "War is Peace," "Freedom is Slavery," "Ignorance is Strength!" There can be only one procedure in dealing with "expertitus" and that is called

an "expertectomy." Enough said.

[*Author's note:*] Genetic phenomena and DNA mutations in chromosomes do, however, occur. For example, if we could isolate the DNA chromosome responsible for perfect-pitch, a phenomenon which is found in one out of one-thousand musicians, then the entire world could sing in perfect harmony. And if an extremely rare chromosome could be isolated that allows young children (5-10 years) to score over 200 on intelligence-quotient tests, the world may smarten up. And if we found the fountain of youth I'm sure we would not share it with anybody!

The strongest argument for "*environment*" is, that if two identical twins who have identical genes are separated at birth and one is well fed and well educated and the other one is not - the one well fed and educated will be bigger and smarter than the other.



By Frank Kontos



THE *CANADIAN* PERSPECTIVE

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_

Atheistic \_\_\_\_\_ Agnostic \_\_\_\_\_ Organised Religion \_\_\_\_\_ Animistic \_\_\_\_\_

Age Group: ↓ 16 \_\_\_\_\_ 16-23 \_\_\_\_\_ 24-29 \_\_\_\_\_ 30-35 \_\_\_\_\_ 36-41 \_\_\_\_\_

42-47 \_\_\_\_\_ 48-53 \_\_\_\_\_ 54-59 \_\_\_\_\_ 60-65 \_\_\_\_\_ 66↑ \_\_\_\_\_

Favourite colour: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*IF YOU CANNOT UNDERSTAND A QUESTION, LEAVE IT BLANK\*\***

1. Who is or was your favourite Canadian Prime Minister?

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Who is or was your favourite American President?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Who is or was your favourite World leader?

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Pick three men/women whom you think had the most influence/impact on the world during the 20th-century.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

5. "If I won a million dollars in a lottery, I would . . . ": \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. When it comes to:	I AGREE	I DISAGREE	UNSURE
Euthanasia	_____	_____	_____
The Death Penalty	_____	_____	_____
Abortion	_____	_____	_____
Oswald, acting alone, killed JFK	_____	_____	_____
Sirhan, acting alone, killed RFK	_____	_____	_____
Ray, acting alone, killed MLK Jr.	_____	_____	_____
Our government always tells us the truth	_____	_____	_____
Dr. Jack Kevorkian's suicide machine	_____	_____	_____
Homosexual couples raising children	_____	_____	_____
Homosexuals being ordained	_____	_____	_____
Nuclear weapons being a deterrent	_____	_____	_____
Unconditional freedom of speech	_____	_____	_____
Mandatory drug-testing of workers	_____	_____	_____
AIDS testing of medical personnel	_____	_____	_____
Increased government regulations	_____	_____	_____
Unions stronger in Europe than in U.S.	_____	_____	_____
Imperialism and the U.S. "New World Order."	_____	_____	_____

7. Do you follow Canadian politics? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

What specifically? (I.e., Separatism; Free Trade - NAFTA; GST; Tax on Books; and so forth.)

Any others? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. What does Canada mean to you? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

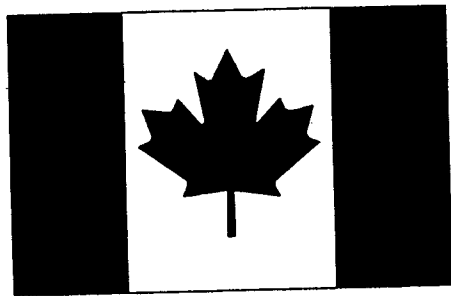
9. Name any ten famous Canadians from such categories as, e.g., writers, journalists, artists, scientists, doctors, activists, politicians, teachers, actors, and so forth.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_

10. Is the tax system in Canada fair? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

11. Should Canada legalise ... ?

	YES	NO	UNSURE
Gambling	_____	_____	_____
Prostitution	_____	_____	_____
Marijuana	_____	_____	_____
Unconditional free speech	_____	_____	_____



12. If a nuclear attack was to take place in thirty minutes and you could only select three choices from the list below, who would you invite into your nuclear shelter, besides your family members? Number your choices 1, 2 & 3, with number 1 being your most valued choice and number 3 your least valued.

- |          |       |                   |       |
|----------|-------|-------------------|-------|
| Nurse    | _____ | Communist         | _____ |
| Artist   | _____ | Lawyer            | _____ |
| Banker   | _____ | Evangelist        | _____ |
| Teacher  | _____ | Twin children     | _____ |
| Chemist  | _____ | Politician        | _____ |
| Farmer   | _____ | Doctor            | _____ |
| Actor    | _____ | Psychiatrist      | _____ |
| Soldier  | _____ | Nuclear Physicist | _____ |
| Plumber  | _____ | Diplomat          | _____ |
| Musician | _____ | Pregnant woman    | _____ |
| Convict  | _____ | Secretary         | _____ |
| Writer   | _____ | St. Bernard dog   | _____ |

13. Quote your favourite saying, platitude, maxim, idiom, proverb or cliché.

" \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_"

14. Have you seen the Oliver Stone film JFK? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

15. Do you believe U.S. President John F. Kennedy was murdered by? :

Conspirators \_\_\_\_\_

"A lone nut gunman" (Oswald) \_\_\_\_\_  
 [As quoted by the Warren Commission and J. Edgar Hoover.]



16. Who do you believe was responsible for the assassination of President John F. Kennedy?

- |                                                          |       |                       |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------------------|-------|
| V.P. Lyndon Baines Johnson                               | _____ | The CIA               | _____ |
| Cuban Exiles                                             | _____ | The FBI               | _____ |
| The Mob                                                  | _____ | The Secret Service    | _____ |
| Military-Industrial Complex                              | _____ | Right-wing extremists | _____ |
| H.Hughes/M.Lansky (Mr."X")                               | _____ | Pro-Castroites        | _____ |
| Fidel Castro                                             | _____ | The Soviets           | _____ |
| "Saul"                                                   | _____ | Lucien Sarti          | _____ |
| AT&T                                                     | _____ | Oil barons            | _____ |
| World banks                                              | _____ | Fortune 500 collusion | _____ |
| The Dallas Police                                        | _____ | The Illuminati        | _____ |
| The Corsican Connection                                  | _____ | James R. Hoffa        | _____ |
| Lee Harvey Oswald                                        | _____ | Vietnam Team          | _____ |
| Combination of the above _____ (Check all your choices.) |       |                       |       |

Other \_\_\_\_\_ Who? \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

17. Do you think by offering a 250-million dollar reward (and exoneration) to the individual(s) involved in the JFK assassination that this would be incentive for these individuals to come forward with the truth once and for all?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

18. Are there any instances where a democratic government should be allowed to suppress *the truth* from the people it governs?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, then under what conditions and why?

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

19. What does democracy mean to you?

---

---

---

---

20. Do you think racism exists in Canada? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, in what form? \_\_\_\_\_

---

---

21. Do you think America's CIA will attempt to overthrow Cuba's Fidel Castro?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

22. Is *catastrophic revolution*, as Karl Marx predicted, inevitable?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

23. Will there be a catastrophic *perestroika* in the West similar to the one occurring in Russia?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_

24. In 1992, one country was decided by the UN as having the highest standard of living, the most qualitative educational system, and the best medical/hospitalisation system out of one hundred countries surveyed.

Can you name this country? \_\_\_\_\_

25. Which of the following issues are most important to you? Pick three only and rank them in importance; number 1 being most important and number 3 least important.

- Environment \_\_\_\_\_
- Global Peace \_\_\_\_\_
- Racial Harmony \_\_\_\_\_
- Money/Security \_\_\_\_\_
- Human Rights \_\_\_\_\_
- Strong Military \_\_\_\_\_
- World Poverty/Hunger \_\_\_\_\_
- Advancement of Nuclear Power \_\_\_\_\_
- Controlling AIDS \_\_\_\_\_
- Curtailing U.S. Imperialism \_\_\_\_\_
- Open all government JFK files \_\_\_\_\_

26. If you could be transformed into a famous person from history, whom would you become?

\_\_\_\_\_

27. Is "political correctness" the North American establishment's Orwellian thought-control equivalent?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Why?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

28. Should we allow foreign intellectuals, scholars, writers, educators, peace-activists and other speakers, whose opinions and ideas are at variance to our own, into our country to speak at our universities, even if their views are considered *dangerous* by the government?  
[I suggest that the reader study Farley Mowat's book My Discovery of America to understand the *crux* of this question, as well as the irony of freedom presented within the pages of Mr. Mowat's book.]

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Why?

---

---

---

---

29. During WWII the Canadian government interned over 20,000 Canadian residents of a certain ethnic group.

Name this group \_\_\_\_\_

30. CIA/Navy drug and mind control tests (MK/ULTRA) were done, in part, in what major Canadian city? \_\_\_\_\_

31. Do you think that the American government had knowledge that Japan was considering surrender prior to dropping the Atomic bomb on August 6, 1945, but went ahead anyway with the drop regardless?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

32. Are there differences between the Soviet's downing of passenger airliner KAL-007 on Thursday, September 1, 1983 and the American's downing of the Iranian airbus during the first week of July 1988? (Both resulted in the death of innocent civilians) [Was this a superficial act of retaliation by the United States against the Islamic world for taking Western hostages? And which came first the chicken or the egg?]

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

What are these differences? \_\_\_\_\_

---

---



# CANADIANA

33. Approximately, how many people comprise Canada's population?

- 15 Million \_\_\_\_\_
- 20 Million \_\_\_\_\_
- 30 Million \_\_\_\_\_
- 55 Million \_\_\_\_\_
- Don't know \_\_\_\_\_

34. Who was Canada's first Prime Minister?

---

35. When did women get to vote in Canada's Federal elections?

- Same time as men \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 years later \_\_\_\_\_
- 30 years later \_\_\_\_\_
- 50+ years later \_\_\_\_\_
- 100 years later \_\_\_\_\_
- Don't know \_\_\_\_\_

36. What famous Canadian from Brantford invented the telephone?

---

37. Canada's "national" animal is the:

- Moose \_\_\_\_\_
- Polar Bear \_\_\_\_\_
- Eagle \_\_\_\_\_
- Seal \_\_\_\_\_
- Bear \_\_\_\_\_
- Koala Bear \_\_\_\_\_
- Beaver \_\_\_\_\_
- Don't know \_\_\_\_\_

38. What do these Canadians have in common?

Marshall McLuhan	Northrop Frye
Farley Mowat	June Callwood
Peter C. Newman	Pierre Berton
Mordecai Richler	Margaret Atwood
Stephen Leacock	Gordon Sinclair

All are: \_\_\_\_\_

39. Name three Canadian daily newspapers.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

40. What year did the Confederation of Canada occur?

1812	_____	1867	_____
1967	_____	1876	_____
1776	_____	1215	_____
1865	_____	1917	_____

41. Name two Canadian national magazines.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

42. What was "The Group of Seven"? \_\_\_\_\_

43. Who was the one-legged runner who attempted to run across Canada for cancer on the "Marathon of Hope"? \_\_\_\_\_

44. The "Bluenose" was a:

Battleship	_____	Inuit tribe	_____
Gerald Bull Cannon	_____	Canadian coin	_____
Schooner	_____	Canadian duck	_____

45. What does NDP stand for? \_\_\_\_\_

46. What does PC stand for? \_\_\_\_\_

47. How many provinces are there in Canada? [Careful.] \_\_\_\_\_

48. List what years the provinces joined confederation.

49. How many great lakes are shared with our southern neighbours?

\_\_\_\_\_

50. What is the most southern point of mainland Canada?

\_\_\_\_\_

51. What would you like to see in The Global Village Project?\*

Bonus: What does the title "The Global Village Project" mean to you? The Global Village will select the best submission and print it in a subsequent issue.\* Your answer could begin with the following line:

"The Global Village, I believe, stands for . . . "

Mail to: The Global Village Project  
Publisher/editor: Frank Kontos  
Northland Mall Post Office  
Box # 32058  
London, Ontario  
N5Y 5K9

Please be sure to enclose a self-addressed and stamped envelope.

The Global Village Project's focus: political assassinations; social and political articles/essays; political caricatures; global issues: political/environmental; opinions/editorials; surveys; the occasional political poem. The Global Village Project has no preoccupation with anybody's occupation, status or station in life. The Project's only criterion is that your writing present an element of conflict. We welcome and encourage novice writers.

\*Providing there is funding for subsequent issues.

# Simply Cerebral OR GREY MATTER OR THINK ABOUT IT!

Solve the following cryptic messages. Check your answers at the bottom of the next page.

<p>1</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 80px; margin: 10px auto; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <p>SAND</p> </div>	<p>2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MAN</p> <hr style="width: 50px; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">BOARD</p>	<p>3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">R</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ROAD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D</p>
<p>4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MIND</p> <hr style="width: 50px; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">MATTER</p>	<p>5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">R/E/A/D/I/N/G/</p>	<p>6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">VEL</p>
<p>7</p> <p style="text-align: center;">T</p> <p style="text-align: center;">O</p> <p style="text-align: center;">U</p> <p style="text-align: center;">C</p> <p style="text-align: center;">H</p>	<p>8</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HE'S/HIMSELF</p>	<p>9</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GI</p> <hr style="width: 50px; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">C C C C C</p> <p style="text-align: center;">C C C C</p> <p style="text-align: center;">C C C</p>
<p>10</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DIE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DIE</p>	<p>11</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KNEE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LIGHTS</p>	<p>12</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CYCLE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CYCLE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CYCLE</p>
<p>13</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHAIR</p>	<p>14</p> <p style="text-align: center;">0</p> <hr style="width: 50px; margin: 5px auto;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">M.D.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PH.D.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">B.SC.</p>	<p>15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">T</p> <p style="text-align: center;">O</p> <p style="text-align: center;">W</p> <p style="text-align: center;">N</p>

16 WEAR _____ LONG	17 STAND _____ i	18 GROUND _____ FEET FEET FEET FEET FEET FEET
19 □ ROOT	20 ICE	21 JACK
22 POINT _____	23 ECNALG	24 _____ PROGRAM
25 THE PROGRAM	26 DRAW THE _____	27 N G I T F L I
28 i u	29 _____	30 BESMACRDL

1. sandbox 2. man over board 3. crossroads 4. mind over matter 5. reading in between the lines  
6. split level 7. touchdown 8. He's ahead of himself 9. GI over seas or GICs 10. dice 11. neon lights  
12. tricycle 13. highchair 14. 3 degrees below zero 15. downtown 16. long underwear 17. I understand  
18. 6 feet underground 19. square root 20. notice 21. jack-in-the-box 22. pointblank 23. backward glance  
24. blank program 25. The Space Program 26. draw the line 27. uplifting 28. eye on you 29. pointblank  
30. scrambled