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Dear Dick (copy to John),
Your two meilings of the 9 th end thet of the loth arrived this $8 . m$. 1 have scanned $t$ tem, for I haven't tite for cereful readinc. They are ton voluminous. In general, I om in completexsccord. I heve read John's letter elso. Let ne make a fer suggestions and offer mme opinions.

First, I assure you thet my witing on thie is not immeciate, and my Intended use is in AGENT OSFALD, of which, you may recell, I told you e third will be on his framing. I have much not $r$ lated to tre eubject of your end John's interest on this, very, very much end some of the most significence meterisi I or enyone else has dug up. I thet I will not went technicsl writing, elthough I mey weel want the results of testing simply parephresed.

Second, I have an edvantage over you in teving seen sone of John's work. He is en excellent photogrepher end he hes on excellent working knowledge of the weepon. Further, hif is 1 iso in a poeition to do nther kind of testing. I recomend thet we do sll the initiol testing smong ourselves, for involving even friendily police involves those who, periorce, work regulerly with the FBI. If John can make E deel with $10 n\}$ (I egree with your succestion here end will have further sugeestions if chn is in eccord), they will undoubtedly ao their onn photography and can do what we cennot dream of ino reflection on ohn. E1s stupf is cood, bs is his equipment). I heve already sugeceted to john thet he try and project the error on the short rence to the ectuel distences involved beceuse he has a comtraption that locks tis rifle plece. The targets should be effective.

You both muet recocnize thet in this you are mekice besic assault on the integrity, wich also meang the intentions, of the FBI, which Elso mesns Honver. Ie LOnk willire to do this?

I sugeest thst there be two formulations, the precise, careiul, detailed scientific one, i portent in history, i present mork enj understending, end as backatoppine for the second, the populer ong, the one that could interest the LOOK audience. I also believe thet regardless off ont tent, it is more seleabla snd more comprehensible in terms of the freming of Csweld, where the Inherent criticism will be no les: severe but phreseí aifierently, es, 伿rheps, ${ }^{H}$ razier hinself put it in New Orleens, I dia only whet + wes told (shede of Nuremburg!). Title: osweld Wies Fremed". Subtitle, "For the first time, the bellistics proof". Te interpret bellistics very broadiy, for bolieve the most comprehensible pert of the whole thing remsins the clio in the rifle when it wes found. These are the pictures I will take as soon es possible. The rifle does not yet bave the sight mounted for they had to get nother tap.

If your citation of the boover letter to John is identicel with what I cite in Highimb, onky, but I seem to recall a lone, unsigned report on the searching for the source of the amo thet $I$ elso cited end might fit well here.

On the arcibives pictures John wents token, i sugsuest I go there, srmed with jis letter on supervise this. - 6 ond you epell it all sut simply, I Eive theletter to the Thotog, etc. I qBn elso get-olerolds meãe, n the the good one, with the Zeise lens. John know whet pictures - have hed mede for myself this wey. He hes seen them. I made this suggestion on "stretch": re heve them use the comers provicine the largest negetive end with close-up lenses get os tight
as possible. Then I try and get the undeveloped negetives, heve them developed end printea here, and send John the negatives for his own work, his own enlarging. I think that this say it might be possible to get a measurement that may prove your point. I' $\mathfrak{c}$ also orefer not to lesve copies of the poctures there for those so cerefully checking on us to reed our int ntions.

If they eo for tnigend went to gn further, I heve the beat evidence yet that csweld was fremed with the bellistics stuff and they can have that for a second piece. However, I heve every reas n to believe I am not populat at 100 K , having been sent there by a Congressmen in 1965 . He sent me to a senior editor he knew. Taey were very embarrassed. I elso clobbered Knebel, remember, end tuis meant them. Yet there is en extre editoriel appeel in the three of us if John tells them his collaborators are a professor of classics and en experienced Investigetor-anolyst without naming names to begin with. If Loak doea not go for this, I have a kind of entry to anotaer publication and when I hear from them, which should be soon, - nad plenned to offer tham the perts of my interest. I will not now and will wait to heare from the two of you. But whet an unusual lineup: a pathologist, a classicist end on investigator, on a peice like this! Makes a good switch, end switches often have appeel in themselves.

I me in truch with peocle unknown to either of you. I expect one of these soon. tie was close to the Kennedys. Le has expresaed on interest, deleyed because of the excesses of one of the more unscrupulous "critics". I hed plenned to show him whet interests me, for thougi he is an intellectugl, he can slso be impressed by the graphic. Unless + hesr otherwise, I will assume it is okey to mention the cases as a genërslity, in confidence. Also, here is the possibility thet deppite the vigor of my letters, I may have a kind of federal repport. "his could be tae kind of thing that could heip there. For the moseat + heve no intention of in eny wey indicating it. But I thini you cen understenc the possibilities for the future. I do not heve reference to the FBI or its hesd. Rether, to professionals, like lawyers. I would not ellude to the material of either of you without your essent. - Werited you to know tais for the time when you might, if it detrelops, be what you might want.
"y own shcecule is thet I spend every minute I cen get working on suggestions for "ohn in his suit. 1 heve something very new on the spectro and other thicgs, just got. It will be long end detalled. But the e ere mejor hunks out of every day, 1 h ve had to ley asice ny om urgent lecel neade to do this. I heve e lewyer vs. Dell eni there are thinge he wents anc needs, and much is at stake. Also, + heve urgent work nees on the helicopter suit, whers I tiank I em getting a new lawyor, th old one having gone to the west cosst. I huve hed to lay my own writing aside. Howing whet theve been warking on, you imow what this means en d how little I went to. ' heve importent new developnents there I cannot nos go into (No word from fincoln).

I think whet "ohn writes about the difficulty of hand-lcadine that wespon is tre second most teiling thing photrcraphice ly for a popular presentetion. A run of pix there could be wow! It elso is comprehensible to the ley rind, simple and easy to understsnd. ariculerly if in the caurse of this we get simikar demege. ... It hes been so line since I reed the testimony, but fromfor whe re I heve the impression there was testimeny seyine tbat the bolt face in itself was va dietinctive as a ficeerprint ena invriablo merked the case. If not Frazier, could it hove been Shaneyfelt? I mey hive omittet som thines on which I should hove commented, but before gettine boged down I winted th get sote kind of enswer out on the chance I cen eet into town to mail this today.

