

U Dear Greg Poland, thanks for your kind words and thoughtful letter. Reverse explains why I can take time for long responses. If your paper can see an issue in Church in the campaign and not in Ford it is a lost cause...by own experience tells me that the kind of committee you propose, logical as it is, will not come about and if it did would probably wind up hurting. Those who have selfish and personal interests and ambitions have a way of taking these over and guiding them in self-promotion. Besides, there are few real experts on fact and those with the biggest reputations know least, substituting glib attractive substitutes. This has been one of the greatest handicaps and impediments in the Congress for the past year...The time for inconsistencies also is past. Nobody in authority will, today, give another of the well-known ones a serious thought. P ...When the Congress would not use Post Shorten's contents this was, I believe, a bad sign. So other approaches are required. To the degree possible I'm pursuing these in court. If they do not bring this about they will help build the record that can...To be effective in an election year the stuff on Ford would have to be scandalous. It then would not be used. When you read what I have on him in Whitewash IV and recall that no single major paper or wire-service referred to it, you can better appreciate this. Y A few minor publications ripped it off...Until we have a combination of the right time and the right situation, I think the best thing individuals can do is inform themselves and keep the pressure on politicians and media...Oswald in "New Orleans" is out of print. I did not print it. In second-hand stores it is bringing \$50. Replacement cost to me is the price I ask of the few genuine scholars I let know I have obtained a few copies. It is \$21. Again thanks, sincerely. HW 5/25/76



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Dear Mr. Weisberg:

First let me commend you on your very excellent book, Post Mortem: JFK Assassination Coverup Smashed. I found it to be intellectually stimulating, informative, and most importantly, a very competent presentation of the evidence you have 'unburied.' Therefore, please rush me the following books of your series:

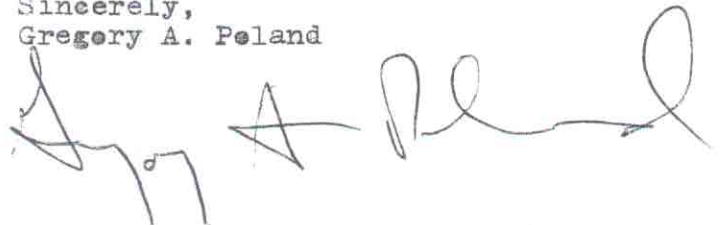
- 1) Whitewash! The Report on the Warren Report
- 2) Whitewash II: The FBI -Secret Service Coverup
- 3) Photographic Whitewash: Suppressed Kennedy Assassination pictures
- 4) Whitewash IV: JFK TOP SECRET Assassination Transcript

Additionally, if at all possible, I should very much like to obtain a copy of : Oswald in New Orleans: Case for Conspiracy with the CIA. It would be most valuable to me, as I am currently doing a Political Science independent research thesis on " the role of local, state and federal governmental agencies in the assassination of JFK. Also, if you can suggest other papers or references which might be of assistance, I would be very appreciative if you would list them for me and send it along with your books.

Enclosed is a recent editorial in our local paper, along with a reply I wrote. I invite any comments or observations you may have. Also, I should like to discuss with you an idea which I have been kicking around. As mentioned in my reply to the Paddeek editorial, I feel the Warren Report and it's cover-ups are a valid political issue. In my opinion, it is necessary, and indeed, vital that President Ford be induced by public and political pressures, to "stand-up" to his role on the Warren Commission. If indeed, serious legal and moral discrepancies have been committed, I believe exposure of these discrepancies could be serious enough to diminish President's Ford future political outlook - and thus FORCE to national attention the full ramifications of the "crime of the century." I feel that only with the persistent and loud outcry of the American public, will any substantial gains be made toward this most important, vital goal. This obviously would require a well-organized group of people dedicated to forcing this issue. If you have any comments or feed-back to this idea - I would be most interested in hearing them.

Finally, thank you for your time, and keep up the outstanding research!

Sincerely,
Gregory A. Poland



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The way we see it

Hold off JFK investigation

This is not the proper time for the U.S. Senate Intelligence Committee to reopen the investigation into the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

We do not question the need for further inquiry. Many Americans still express doubts about the findings of the Warren Commission. They believe a further investigation is warranted.

But to reopen the investigation now would be a mistake. The nation currently is faced with presidential primaries and the national political conventions. A contender for the Democratic presidential nomination is U.S. Sen. Frank Church, D-Idaho. Church is also chairman of the Intelligence Committee.

It is all too possible for the new Kennedy investigation to become mired in Church's political campaign. Questions about the progress of such an investigation certainly would arise along the campaign trail. Church might attempt to downplay the questions, but the temptation to answer and gain publicity for his campaign might become too great to ignore.

During the course of the

lengthy committee investigation into the Central Intelligence Agency, Church attempted to leave politics outside the committee room door. He even delayed announcing his presidential candidacy until after the committee had completed its work.

It seems a similar situation has occurred with the call for the Kennedy investigation. Church should, at the very least, step aside as committee chairman during the probe. However, the best decision would be to delay the start of the investigation until after the national conventions.

If there is substantial new evidence, as several senators believe, then the probe should be reopened. The only way to settle all of the questions still surrounding the assassination is to have a full and open investigation.

But Church's political activities threaten to diminish the credibility of an investigation at this time.

The committee should wait either until Church steps aside or political fortunes determine the fate of Church's campaign.

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ARLINGTON HERALD NEWSPAPER
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Ref: Your editorial: "THE WAY WE SEE IT" May 17 issue

Dear Sir:

Your 17 May 1976 editorial on the feasibility of re-opening the JFK investigation shows not only incredible naivete, but more importantly your support for a distressingly common view put forth by our Federal Government; namely, that the American people are not capable of handling the truth, and coming up with their own conclusions.

First, you dogmatically state that "this is not the proper time, i ll. to re-open the investigation into the assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy." My answer to this is simple, if not obvious; just when is the 'right' time in your estimation to investigate a crime of such magnitude? The details of the solution to JFK's murder could well prove to be of mere national, and international importance, than presidential primaries and national political conventions.

Secondly, you sow the seeds of paranoia by claiming that such an investigation's credibility would be destroyed by Sen. Church's political activities. Where was your outcry against politics influencing the Warren Commission findings?

Additionally, solving the murder of JFK IS an important issue to the American people as you properly suggest. Why, then, should it not be another issue to consider in selecting our next President, just as Watergate, the economy, or even a candidate's health are? Should all the candidates abandon work on committees they are on? Or is the point obvious that solving JFK's assassination is more important to increasing number of Americans than are questions concerning peanut subsidies, etc.,

Finally, what pessimism possesses you to suggest that the American people cannot cope simultaneously with national conventions and a full investigation into the assassination? Further delay can only be detrimental - giving more time for further cover-ups!

Hopefully, your article will accomplish exactly the opposite of it's intent. The way you see it, editors, is not precisely the way the American Public may see it.

Very truly yours,
Gregory A. Poland