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DATE: 7-19-66

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RICHARD H. POPKIN, PROFESSOR,
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT
SAN DIEGO, ALLEGES LEE HARVEY
OSWALD WAS PART OF A CONSPIRACY

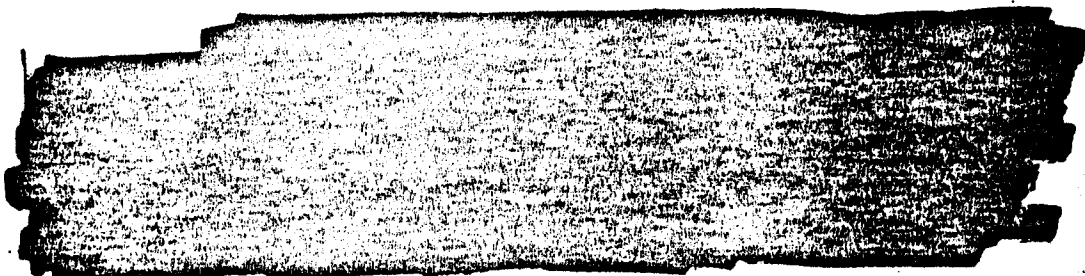
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"The Washington Post," 7-18-66 issue, contained an article titled "Professor Feels Oswald Had a Double." Article alleged a California educator, Professor Richard H. Popkin, University of California at San Diego, writing in the New York Review of Books, contended that an analysis of the Warren Commission Report and two new books on the Kennedy Assassination, provide "compelling" substantiation of the theory that Lee Harvey Oswald was part of a conspiracy. Popkin demanded the investigation be reopened. Popkin's own theory is that a man who looked like Oswald and often posed as Oswald was the actual assassin, while Oswald was used to create the illusion that a lonely, alienated man with pro-Castro leanings was the sole perpetrator of the crime.

DeLoach

Popkin used a review of Edward J. Epstein's "Inquest" and Harold Weisberg's "Whitewash," both of which take issue with the Warren Report, as a forum for his own speculation.

Mr. Hoover asked "What do we know of Popkin?"



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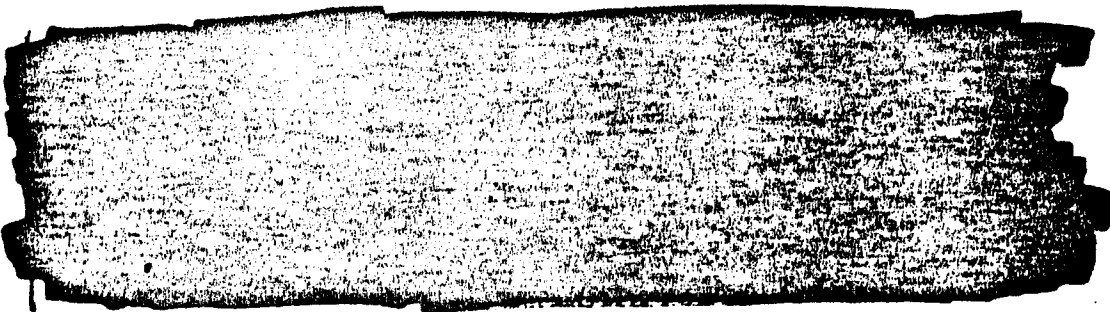
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Jones to Mr. Wick memo
Re: Richard H. Popkin



Biographical data in "Who's Who In America" reflects that Richard H. Popkin was born 12-27-23, New York City, the son of Louis and Zelda (Feinberg). Received B.A. at Columbia, 1943, M.A., 1945, and Ph.D., 1950. Married Juliet Greenstone 6-9-44 and they have three children. Instructor, University of Connecticut, 1946-47; Assistant Professor, State University of Iowa, 1947-53, Associate Professor, 1953-56; Visiting Professor, University of California at Berkely, 1953-54; Professor, Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, 1960-63; Professor and Chairman of the Department of Philosophy, University of California, San Diego, since 1963. Co-Director, International Archives of History of Ideas. President, Jewish Committee of LaJolla. Recipient of many honors such as Fullbright Research Scholar, Paris, 1952-53, and others. He won Phi Beta Kappa and other honors in school and has contributed numerous articles, reviews and monographs to a variety of publications. His home is 2674 Costebelle Drive, LaJolla, California 92307. His office is the University of California, San Diego.

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