

By J. David Truby



JFK Death Coverup

Facing threat, lawsuits, harassment, plus the ruin of his health and personal life, a 62 year old private citizen has forced the government to release the long-suppressed document known as the "JFK Assassination Transcript."

Harold Weisberg, a former OSS man and investigative reporter, won his six year battle to have these classified documents released to you and me.

According to Weisberg, the JFK Assassination Transcript is an explosive document which blows the cover off the Warren Commission's conspiracy to whitewash the planned murder of President Kennedy. He has turned these transcripts into a book.

"This document is a transcript of the personal words of the actual members of the Commission as they conspired to cover up the whole thing," Weisberg says.

"They met and planned the outcome before they called any witnesses," Weisberg charges, using the transcript to prove his point.

"That makes it even worse, then, as to why they classified anything. If they pre-decided Oswald was the killer and that he acted alone without a conspiracy, why was anything classified?"

Weisberg, who had been after this report for years, filed suit under the Freedom of Information Act. His efforts have netted him great personal suffering.

According to friends, government "officials" entered the Weisberg home

on several occasions to "check" his files. Federal agents, acting on "official" orders, began to harass his family. His phone was tapped, his mail was read. Government aircraft flew very low over his home. He was personally bothered by "strange people."

"I just want the truth for all of us, since the vast majority of Americans know the Warren Commission Report was a lie," Weisberg says.

The veteran researcher may have pried open a corner of the lid on the Pandora's box which has secreted the ugly truth about John Kennedy's murder for more than a decade.

Weisberg also reveals for the first time that a Commission member, Georgia's Senator Richard Russell had secretly contacted the Maryland investigator to establish the truth before his own death.

"I have more evidence that they faked another document to eliminate Mr. Russell's disagreements with Commission findings," Weisberg notes.

According to Weisberg, to his dying day, Senator Russell pleaded with him to do his best to disprove the lie of the Warren Commission. This new book surely does that.

Although the cover-up people have done their best to discredit him, and elements with the CIA and FBI have employed other tricks, Harold Weisberg has the endorsement of most serious journalists. The NEW YORK TIMES called him, "a painstaking researcher and investigator," while SATURDAY REVIEW classed Mr. Weisberg as "an indefatigable researcher . . . an invaluable conscience of America."

At times, while reading Weisberg's book, I keep seeing how "Watergate" happened a lot earlier and a lot deadlier. In fact, the Watergate type thinking killed John Kennedy. Weisberg, being the careful, legal researcher he is, does not say this, of course. Yet, these same dirty political tricks continue the whitewash of fact.

Weisberg states, "The Nixon tapes don't disclose as much about government lying, plus how they twist laws and corrupt people to keep truth from us, as does the Assassination coverup report!"

"What is more disgusting is that our President, Gerald Ford, who was then member of the Warren Commission, took this classified document, the Warren Report,—which in itself is a federal crime—then changed it to hide its true meaning. He sold portions of it in article and book form.

"It's interesting that Gerald Ford, the so-called 'open administration' President vetoed the new provisions of the Freedom of Information law, and that veto came shortly after we got the document he was so personally involved with," Weisberg says.

Wondering about the same thing, Washington newsman Ben Waters asks, "What else does Mr. Ford have to hide about this cover-up?"

I think this is a murder case that needs more uncoverage—for sure!

What about it. WASHINGTON POST?

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Dear David,

Your Friday's card and the enclosed column of the 15th make me wonder what your readers must have wondered about, even what the title of the book is and how - if at all - it can be obtained.

For me this sort of thing and the inaccuracies become an enormous futility.

I care naught for personal publicity.

Lesar borrowed the money to pay the printer so that people could read this material.

You write a column. No matter how few people may have read it or wanted to obtain the entire document, not just what you said of the work, you made it impossible for them when there is no single commercial radio station that has not told its audience the price and how to get it.

You say I did this so that everyone could benefit, which is true. But you then misidentify the document itself, calling it by a contraction of the book's subtitle. So, should any of your readers have wanted to spend much more than the cost of the book to get a copy of the transcript from the government, you made that impossible, too.

Yet in your card you complain that "No one will take time to talk." Should I again?

Especially when you either don't take time to read or are unable to comprehend.

The unidentified "friends" of mine you quote interest me. If you are not under restraint, and I don't think that on this you should be, I'd be interested in knowing who they are. These are things I do not say.

The Washington newsmen Ben Waters you quote is unknown to me. If he wrote of this book, as the close of your column suggests, I'd be interested in seeing what he wrote.

Following this you close with a crack at the WxPost. Your timing could not have been worse. On this book they had and syndicated a very good, straight story of not less than two columns.

All of this and what I do not recognize is much of a disappointment to me.

Sincerely,