

Medical evidence devastates Warren Commission's findings

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It is indecent as well as grossly inaccurate for The Washington Times in its mistitled May 21 editorial, "Best evidence," to characterize me as a "conspiracy buff" who makes "a pretty good living" in my alleged "profession of casting doubt on the Warren Report and grasping at any whip with which to beat it" in my "several books" that total seven.

My work is entirely factual and in fact for more than two decades I have spent much time debunking conspiracy theories.

The first of my "Whitewash" series of books was the first on the Warren Report. It was first published in 1965 and, as its subtitle states, is an analysis of that report, comparing it with the alleged underlying evidence.

My subsequent books all have the same approach and method and were expanded to include the records of the executive agencies I obtained by about a dozen Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) lawsuits, some of which set precedents. One was cited in the 1974 debates as the basis for the amending of that act to open FBI, CIA and similar agencies to the young fogies and Johnny-come-latelies of the major media.

Rather than making me "a pretty a good living," it made me considerable debt that grew and grew until a farm I owned was taken to be included in a park area.

In questioning my credentials without making any effort to learn what they are, The Times asks, "How come Mr. Weisberg can be so sure...?"

I am a former reporter, investigative reporter, Senate investigator and editor and a decorated World War II intelligence analyst. In one of my FOIA lawsuits, the FBI certified to that court that I know more about the JFK assassination than any of its agents. In another, the Department of Justice persuaded that judge to have me act as its consultant in my lawsuit against it on the identical grounds.

In taking what The Washington Post used without context from a long interview that was mostly on other matters and again without asking me anything at all, The Times asks what it could easily have learned for itself from a library or any authentic firearms expert, "How, we'd like to know, does Mr. Weisberg know what kind of bullet was fired?" (no doubt the reason it did not ask me); and, "How come Mr. Weisberg can be so sure how the real bullets would have behaved?"

The full-jacketed, hardened World War II military ammunition allegedly used to kill President John F. Kennedy was designed to conform to the Geneva Convention stipulating a design to cause "humanitarian" through-and-through rather than dum-dum-like injuries.

The ammunition is designed not to fragment like hunting or

varminting ammunition, where the intent is to cause death with "soft" ammunition that causes horrible but more instantly deadly injuries.

The Times quotes the autopsy pathologists as saying that the bullet that exploded in President Kennedy's head left "fragments." In speaking to The Post, I cited the pathologists' own report, which refers to a cluster of some 40 "dust-like" particles shown in X-rays they took of the head.

This is precisely the kind of behavior prohibited by the Geneva Convention.

The design of the alleged bullet, based on this international agreement, was to eliminate the kind of damage reported, and in not one of the many test firings made for the Warren Commission did any of the bullets leave "dust-like particles."

And, as neither The Times nor the American Medical Association says, nobody has been able to duplicate the shooting attributed to the duffer, Lee Harvey Oswald, not even the best shots in the world, "masters" having been provided by the National Rifle Association for the Warren Commission's test firing at the Aberdeen Proving Ground.

In addressing the AMA's claim that because the autopsy doctors said they were right they were indeed right, for which no other support was provided, I called to The Post's attention some of the official evidence ignored in the Warren Report and by its apologists that proves the official theory of the crime, that one person fired all those shots from above and behind, is impossible.

The single-bullet theory invented by now-Sen. Arlen Specter and contradicted by all the actual evidence requires that one bullet have caused all seven, non-fatal injuries on the two victims, a feat unequalled in science or mythology and that the official testing did not even attempt to duplicate.

This means that this one magical bullet had to have exited from the front of the president's neck, through his shirt collar, leaving bullet holes in it and in the tie he was wearing. It did not!

Contrary to the AMA's statement that the doctors were speaking for the first time, I alone interviewed three of those cited. One, Dr. Charles Carrico, confirmed his Warren Commission-ignored testimony, supported by the emergency-room nurses who worked under his direction, that the bullet hole in the president's neck was above his shirt collar and that the damage to that shirt collar — slits, not holes — was caused by the scalpel with which the nurses, speed being essential, cut off the necktie.

Dr. Carrico demonstrated this for me by grabbing his own necktie and showing me how the tie was cut off with two hasty motions with the scalpel.

I published the pertinent parts of my interviews in my 1975 book, "Post Mortem," without any complaints from these doctors, with whom I subsequently corresponded, or from anyone else. In "Post Mortem," I also published (Page 598) an FBI laboratory photograph of the front of the president's shirt that I got from the Department of Justice via FOIA but that the Warren Commission did not get or even ask for. This official but suppressed evidence makes it clear without question that the damage to the neckband could not have been caused by any bullet, that the slits do not even coincide and are not even of the same length.

It takes no specialized education to understand that this FBI picture alone, suppressed for a dozen years, utterly destroys the official "solution" to the "crime of the century," that one person fired all the assassination shots and that no more than three were fired.

If The Times had done any investigating at all, it would have learned that both the FBI and the Secret Service disagreed with this "solution" because both knew that the single-bullet theory is impossible.

In all the 250,000 pages of previously withheld official documents on the JFK assassination (which I got through my lengthy and costly FOIA litigation), there is no FBI or Secret Service record that agrees with the Warren Commission's "theory," and both agencies insist that one bullet did not cause those seven non-fatal injuries on both victims. Yet the AMA says it now and is not questioned.

And this, separately, disproves the theorized basic conclusion of the Warren Report and the AMA's media event in which it gulled the uncritical Washington Times and the rest of the major media, no one element of which sought and published the readily available official evidence.

This official evidence was ignored by the AMA, the autopsy and other doctors and the Warren Commission, notoriously by Mr. Specter, who invented an impossible non-conspiracy theory, without which there could not have been the predetermined and ordained no-conspiracy "solution."

Although I am the opposite of the conspiracy-theorist The Times make me out to be and have debunked these theories presented as solutions for almost three decades, when the major media did not meet their traditional obligations to ask questions, at least these conspiracy theorists did that, as I did in my seven books and extensive FOIA litigation, making the record for history that the major media failed to make.

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