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JFK KILLED IN CUBA DEAL, EXPERT CHARGES

By Hal Verb

Harold Weisberg, author of the best-selling "Whitewash" series on the Kennedy assassination, charges that a change in U.S. secret policy toward Cuba provided the real motive for the actual assassins.

In his fourth book, "Oswald in New Orleans: Case for Conspiracy with the CIA," Weisberg makes this claim and accuses the Warren Commission of having "wrought the greatest shame in our history, while shielding the CIA."

Weisberg appeared as a witness before the New Orleans grand jury last April, testifying on aspects of the involvement of Oswald and Cuban exiles in the assassination. He will be in the Bay Area this Friday and will remain till Wednesday (see schedule below).

Even before D.A. Jim Garrison's New Orleans probe of the assassination made world headlines, Weisberg was busily engaged in delving into the backgrounds of key figures involved in the assassination.

Both Garrison and Weisberg claim that Oswald was not the real assassin that day in Dallas and both state that Oswald didn't kill Dallas police officer J.D. Tippit.

Sensational disclosures Weisberg reveals in his new book include the following:

-- That three days before the assassination, a speech by Sergio Carbo, a Cuban exile editor, virtually predicted Kennedy's murder when he announced that "a serious event soon to take place will oblige Washington to modify its policy of peaceful co-existence."

-- That the Mafia had been offered a "contract" on Kennedy -- i.e., a hired murder, and that it was "too hot" for the Mafia, so the Minutemen picked up the contract.

-- That Lee Harvey Oswald had

a "crypto" clearance while serving in the Marine Corps in a unit whose function was highly classified. This security clearance was considered above that of "top secret." The Warren Reports makes no mention of this.

According to Weisberg, Oswald was only officially to have had a "confidential" clearance which is the lowest grade in security clearances. Weisberg reveals also that Oswald spent his last few weeks in the service, before his so-called "hardship" discharge, with the Criminal Intelligence Division.

WEISBERG SCHEDULE IN BAY AREA

FRIDAY, NOV. 10

9:05 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. -- KCBS (radio) -- Harv Morgan Show

SATURDAY, NOV. 11

8 a.m. - 12 noon -- KNEW (radio) -- Joe Dolan Show

SUNDAY, NOV. 12

1 a.m. - 6 a.m. -- KSFR-FM (radio) -- Jim Eason Show

MONDAY, NOV. 13

7 a.m. - 8 a.m. -- KGO (TV) -- Jim Dunbar "AM" Show

11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. -- Press Conference -- Jack Tar Hotel (S.F.)

1 p.m. - 3 p.m. -- KGO (radio) -- Jim Dunbar Show

8 p.m. - KQED (TV) -- Mel Wax Show

TUESDAY, NOV. 14

6 a.m. - 10 a.m. -- KCBS (radio) -- Dave McElhatton Show (Weisberg to be on at 9 a.m.)

2 p.m. - KDIA (radio) -- Louis Freeman (Interview - to be aired later)

4 p.m. - UC (Berkeley) -- Talk, UC Campus -- Dwinelle 155

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 15

11 a.m. - KGO (radio) -- Owen Spann Show

12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. -- Talk, S.F. State College (Main Auditorium)

See also Barb story of 17 Nov 67, filed Warren Commission (rewriting of section of Report dealing with Mrs. Odio)

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