

Fallacies of the Warren Commission Solution

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Altered Evidence

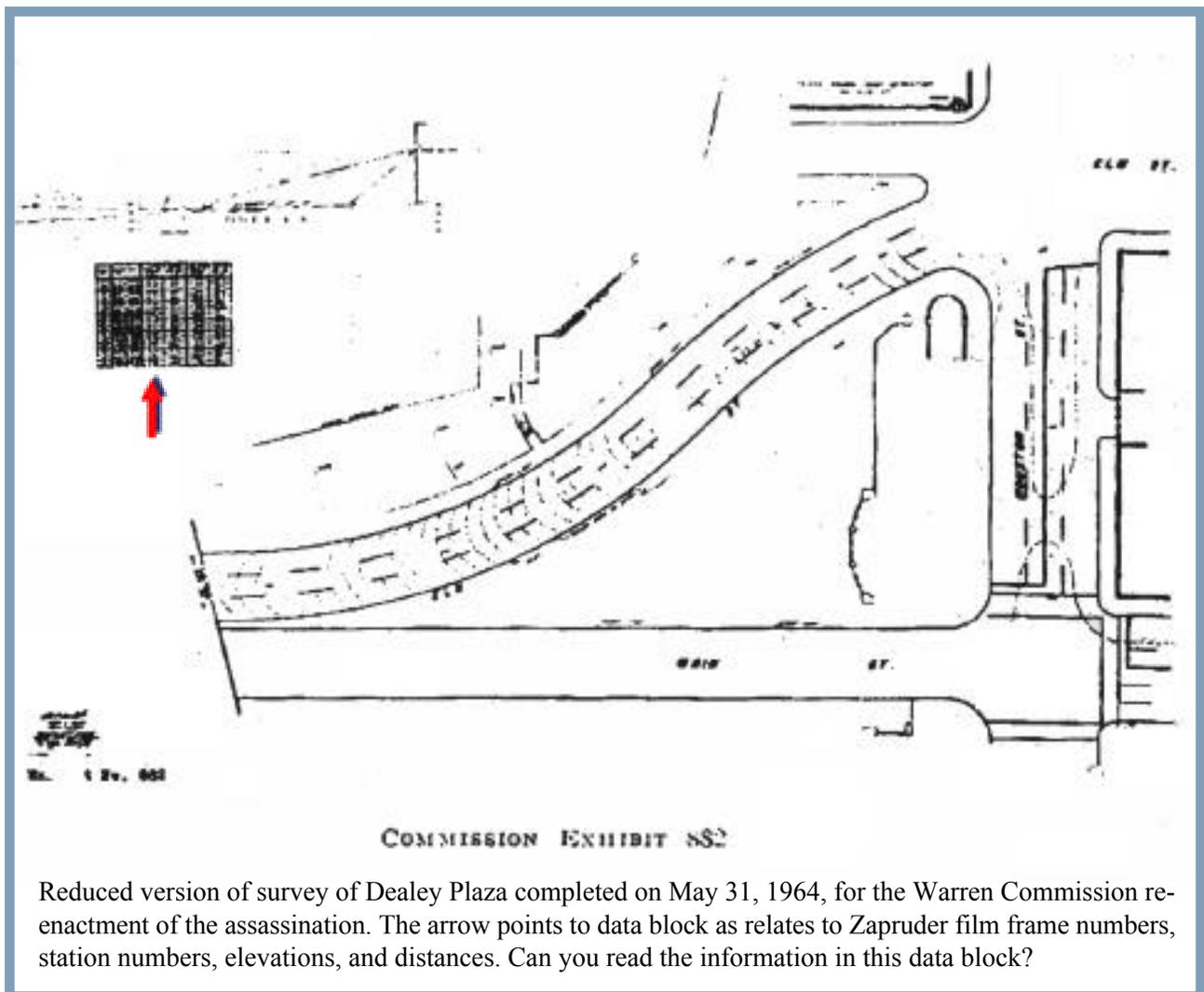
By utilizing the services of a Registered Land Surveyor, giving us measurements to the tenth of a foot and angles computed to the second, the Warren Commission has created an “illusion of precision” in their re-enactment of the assassination.

Unfortunately, illusions have a tendency to fade when their methods are exposed.

Even with total control of the re-enactment, the

Warren Commission could not achieve the desired results. This was due to a variety of problems with will progressively explained throughout this article and other chapters of the book. This section is devoted to a single item of evidence which will demonstrate the extreme measures employed by members of the Commission to convince us of the truth and accuracy of their findings.

If no other evidence convinces the reader of the



FRAME NO.	STATION NO.	ELEV.	RIFLE IN WINDOW		TOP BRIDGE HANDRAIL	
			ANGLE TO HORIZON R-K-N	LINE OF SIGHT DIST. K-R	ANGLE TO HORIZON B-K-N	LINE OF SIGHT DIST. K-B
A		431.97	40° 10'	91.6	-0° 27'	447.0
161	3+29.2	429.25	26° 58'	137.4	-0° 07'	392.4
166	3+30.1	429.20	26° 52'	138.2	-0° 07'	391.5
185	3+49.3	428.13	24° 14'	154.9	+0° 03'	372.5
186	3+50.8	428.05	24° 03'	156.3	+0° 03'	371.7
207	3+71.1	427.02	21° 50'	174.9	+0° 12'	350.9
210	3+73.4	426.80	21° 34'	176.9	+0° 22'	348.8
222	3+85.9	426.11	20° 23'	188.6	+0° 24'	336.4
225	3+88.3	425.98	20° 11'	190.8	+0° 26'	334.0
231	3+93.5	425.69	19° 47'	196.0	+0° 28'	329.0
235	3+96.8	425.52	19° 26'	199.0	+0° 30'	326.8
240	4+02.3	425.21	19° 01'	204.3	+0° 34'	320.4
249	4+10.0	424.79	18° 32'	211.9	+0° 40'	313.1
255	4+16.4	424.46	18° 03'	218.0	+0° 44'	307.1
313	4+65.3	421.75	15° 21'	265.3	+1° 28'	260.6

COMMISSION EXHIBIT 884

The survey data block as introduced into evidence during the WC investigation. This exhibit was introduced separately from the actual large scale survey plat which was completed for the Warren Commission by Robert H. West Land Survey Company of Dallas. Arrows point to frames 161, 166, and 210. Note the irregularity of the numbers 1 in 161, 66 in 166, and 10 in 210. All other numbers are uniform in nature whereas these numbers are not.

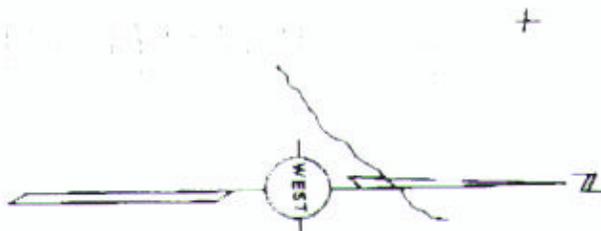
True and unaltered copy of the survey data block from the WC re-enactment of the assassination. This copy of the data block was made from a full size copy of the actual survey which was acquired directly from Mr. Robert H. West.

Compare this original data block with the WC version (CE 884) and you will find:

1. Frame 168 on the original has been changed to frame 161 on the WC exhibit.
2. Frame 171 on the original has been changed to frame 166 on the WC exhibit.
3. Frame 208 on the original has been changed to frame 210 on the WC exhibit.

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			ANGLE TO HORIZON R-K-N	LINE OF SIGHT DIST. K-R	ANGLE TO HORIZON B-K-N	LINE OF SIGHT DIST. K-B
A		431.97	40° 10'	91.6	-0° 27'	447.0
168	3+29.2	429.25	26° 58'	137.4	-0° 07'	392.4
171	3+30.1	429.20	26° 52'	138.2	-0° 07'	391.5
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222	3+85.9	426.11	20° 23'	188.6	+0° 24'	336.4
225	3+88.3	425.98	20° 11'	190.8	+0° 26'	334.0
231	3+93.5	425.69	19° 47'	196.0	+0° 28'	329.0
235	3+96.8	425.52	19° 26'	199.0	+0° 30'	326.8
240	4+02.3	425.21	19° 01'	204.3	+0° 34'	320.4
249	4+10.0	424.79	18° 32'	211.9	+0° 40'	313.1
255	4+16.4	424.46	18° 03'	218.0	+0° 44'	307.1
313	4+65.3	421.75	15° 21'	265.3	+1° 28'	260.6

FRAME NO.	STA. NO.	ELEV.	RILPE IN WINDOW: ANGLE TO HORIZON R-K-R	LINE OF SIGHT DISTANCE K-R	BRIDGE, TOP HANDRAIL: ANGLE TO HORIZON B-K-B	LINE OF SIGHT DISTANCE K-B
"A"		431.97	40° 10'	91.6	-0° 27'	447.0
168	3x29.2	429.25	26° 58'	137.4	-0° 07'	392.4
171	3x30.1	429.200	26° 52'	138.2	-0° 07'	391.5
185	3x49.3	428.13	25° 04' 24° 04'	156.0 156.0	x0° 03'	372.5
186	3x50.8	428.05	24° 03'	156.3	x0° 03'	371.7
207	3x71.1	427.02	21° 50'	174.9	x0° 12'	350.9
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A copy of surveyor's original typewritten list of frames of the Zapruder film which were marked by the WC during the May 1964, re-enactment of the assassination. Note that frames 161, 166, and 210 do not appear on this listing.

fraudulent nature of the Warren Commission re-enactment of the assassination, the evidence following this discussion should.

When individuals resort to altering evidence to achieve their goals, and then attempting to hide the evidence which would ultimately expose this alteration, their credibility and trustworthiness are destroyed.

Slight of Hand

Since the reader has been now provided with irrefutable proof of altered Warren Commission Evidence, it would also be worthwhile to explain the "slight of hand" trick utilized to admit this document into evidence. Basically, the original survey (CE 882) was ad-

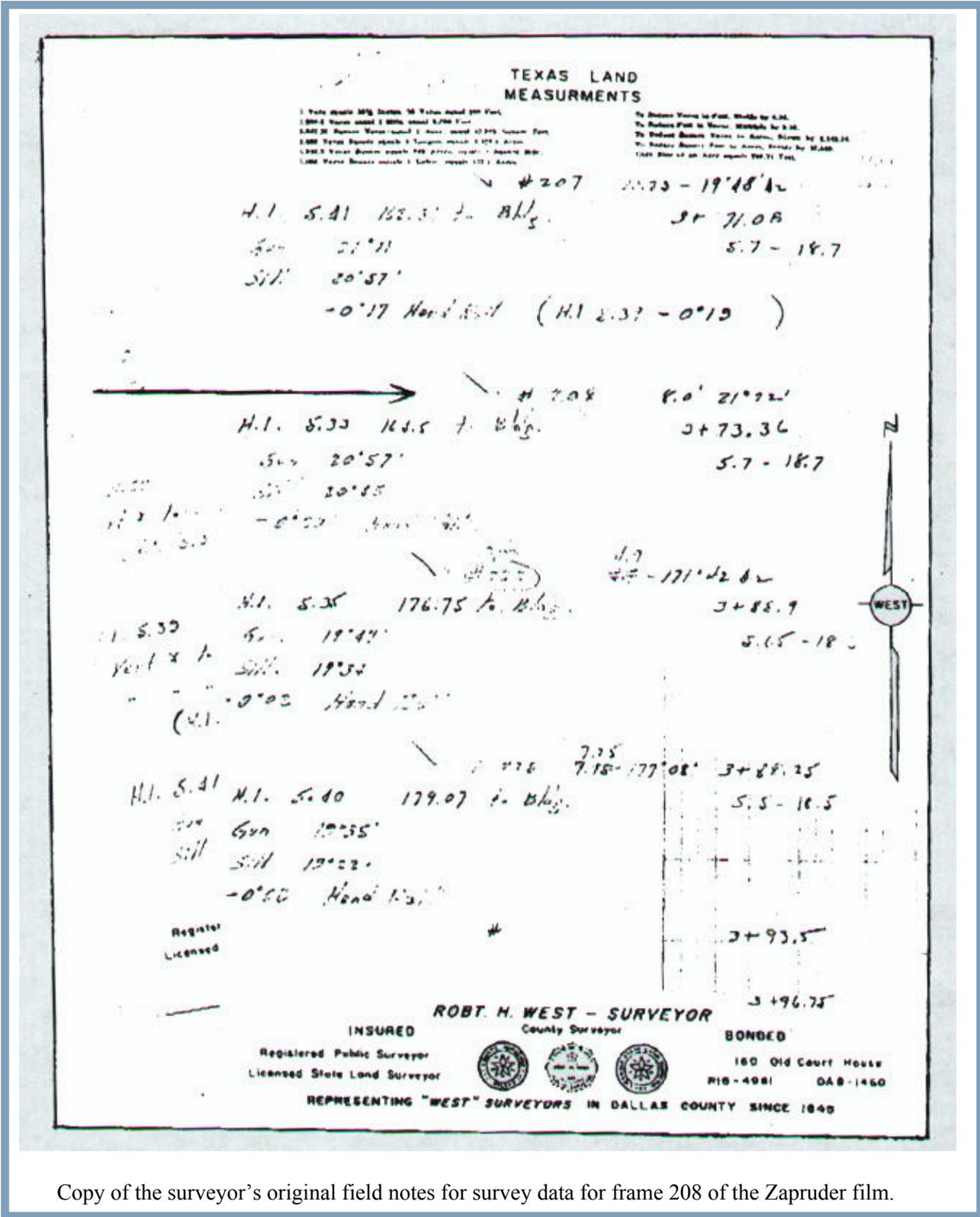
mitted into evidence in a sealed container which was never opened. An "exact duplication" on cardboard (CE 883) was then admitted into evidence as representing the original survey. Finally, the altered survey data block (CE 884) was admitted into evidence as representing what was on the original survey which was never opened nor seen during the investigation. Review the Warren Commission testimony of Leo J. Gauthier. (WCH V5, p 134)

Mr. SPECTER. And by whom are you employed, sir?

Mr. GAUTHIER. The Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Mr. SPECTER. And what is your rank with the Federal Bureau of Investigation?

Mr. GAUTHIER. Inspector. I am in charge of the



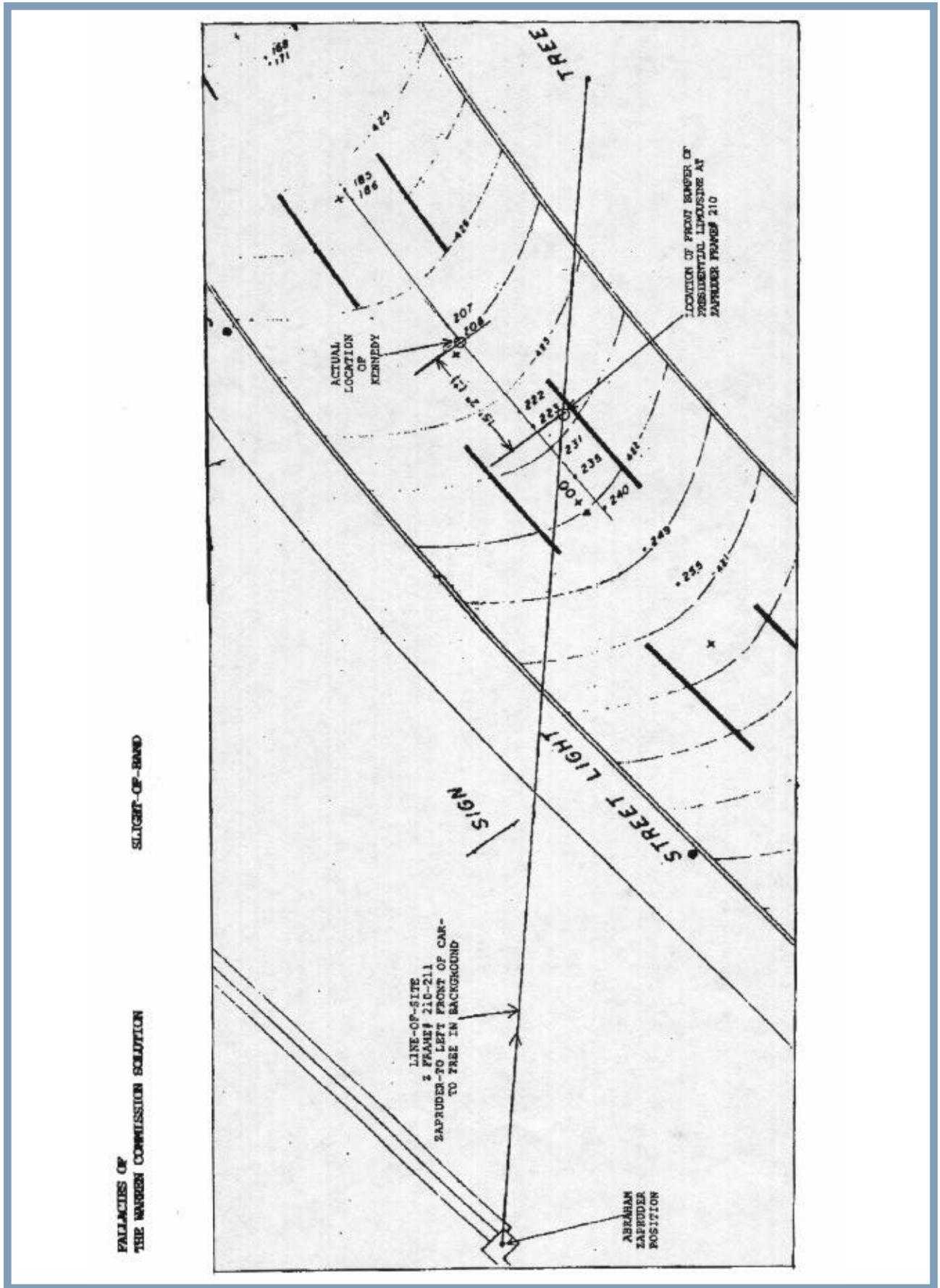
Copy of the surveyor's original field notes for survey data for frame 208 of the Zapruder film.

Bureau's exhibit section, where we prepare investigative aids, consisting of diagrams, charts, maps, three-dimensional exhibits, in connection with the presentation of cases in court.

Mr. SPECTER. Did you participate in the onsite tests made in Dallas?

Mr. GAUTHIER. I did.

Mr. SPECTER. Was a survey made of the scene used to record some of the results of that onsite testing?



Mr. GAUTHIER. Yes.

Mr. SPECTER. And by whom was the survey made?

Mr. GAUTHIER. The survey was made on May 24, 1964, by Robert H. West, county surveyor, a licensed State land surveyor, located at 160 County Courthouse, Dallas, Tex.

Mr. SPECTER. Have you brought the tracing of that survey with you today?

Mr. GAUTHIER. I have; yes.

Mr. SPECTER. And have you brought a cardboard reproduction of that?

Mr. GAUTHIER. A copy made from the tracing; yes.

Mr. SPECTER. Would you produce the cardboard copy made from the tracing for the inspection of the Commission at this time, please?

Mr. GAUTHIER. Yes.

Mr. SPECTER. Would you produce the tracing at this time, please?

Mr. GAUTHIER. Yes; the tracing is wrapped, and sealed in this container.

Mr. SPECTER. Without breaking the seal, I will ask you if the cardboard which has been set up here--may the record show it is a large cardboard. I will ask you for the dimensions in just a minute.

Does the printing on the cardboard represent an exact duplication of the tracing which you have in your hand?

Mr. GAUTHIER. Yes.

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Mr. SPECTER. May it please the Commission, we will mark the tracing Commission Exhibit No. 882, and not take it out, since the cardboard represents it, and place Commission Exhibit No. 883 on the cardboard drawing itself, and I would like to move for the admission into evidence of both Exhibits Nos. 882 and 883.

The CHAIRMAN. They may be admitted.

(The documents referred to were marked Commission Exhibits Nos. 882 and 883 for identification, and received in evidence.)

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Mr. SPECTER. I now hand you a schedule which I have marked as Commission Exhibit No. 884 and ask you what figures are contained thereon.

(The document referred to was marked Commission Exhibit No. 884 for identification.)

Mr. GAUTHIER. This is a copy of a tabulation which appears on the plat map.

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It contains certain positions marked as frame numbers. It indicates elevations and a column dealing with angle of sight from the frame positions to the window and to a horizontal line.

It also contains angles of sight the degree of sight and distances from these positions to a point on the top of the bridge, handrail height.

Mr. SPECTER. May it please the Commission, that concludes the description of the general setting.

I would like to move now at this time for the admission into evidence of Exhibit No. 884, which completes all of the exhibits used heretofore.

Mr. McCLOY. It may be admitted.

(The document heretofore marked for identification as Commission Exhibit No. 884, was received in evidence.)

Mr. SPECTER. May it please the Commission, that completes the testimony of Inspector Gauthier.

It is worthwhile to note that after admission into evidence of CE 883 (the exact duplication of the cardboard) Representative Ford and Chief Justice Earl Warren withdrew from the hearing room. Mr. John J. McCloy serving as acting Chairman then admitted CE 884 (the altered survey data block) into evidence.

The statements and actions of these individuals are no mere coincidence. The reader has now been provided with a "key" to one of the many means utilized to obscure the true facts of the assassination.

Since the Warren Commission declined to allow anyone to see an original copy of the West Survey, and has seen fit to only provide us with an illegible copy of this document (CE 882), the reader now will have access to documents which have never been seen by the American public or any other investigative body into the assassination of President Kennedy.

The following document is a portion of the West Survey Plat which was completed for the Warren Commission re-enactment of the assassination. This was made from a full size copy of the survey plat which was acquired directly from Mr. West before his death. It represents the first fully legible copy of this document ever made available for public examination and adds additional proof of the alterations to CE884. Specifically, this survey plat shows:

1. Frames 168, 171, and 208 are platted whereas frames 161, 166, and 210 are not.
2. Distances between various positions of plotted frame numbers are unrealistic. Some are plotted extremely close together and others are plotted at by comparison long distances apart.
3. The actual location of President Kennedy at Zapruder frame 210 plots at the point marked

as frame 208. This corresponds exactly with previous calculations in regards to the length of the Presidential limousine as compared to the re-enactment vehicle.

We are fortunate to have an original copy of this survey plat, as Mr. West was not given a copy himself and only managed to secure a copy from the Government after considerable effort.

The following chart reflects the speed of the Presidential limousine based on the Warren Commission re-enactment of the assassination.

It is known that the Zapruder film ran at a speed of 18.3 frames per second. Therefore, we can determine the distance travelled per frame of the film and

convert this data to actual miles per hour for the vehicle speed. The distance travelled is extracted from the block entitled "Station No." from the survey data block.

It should be reiterated that the surveyor merely computed data from information which was provided by members of the Warren Commission. These members looked at photographs and marked spots of the pavement of Elm Street and then informed the surveyor what frame number of the Zapruder film a mark represented.

The significance of this information should serve to demonstrate exactly how staged and fraudulent the Warren Commission re-enactment of the assassination actually was.

Vehicle Speed Analysis Based On Warren Commission Re-Enactment Data

FRAME# TO FRAME#	# OF FRAMES	DISTANCE TRAVELLED	VEHICLE SPEED IN FEET				AVERAGE M. P. H.
			PER FRAME	PER SECOND	PER MINUTE	PER HOUR	
168-171	3	.9 ft	.3	5.49	329.4	19,764	3.74
171-185	14	19.2 ft	1.371	25.089	1,505.35	90,321	17.1
185-186	1	1.5 ft	1.5	27.45	1,647	98,820	18.71
186-207	21	20.3 ft	.9666	17.689	1,061.39	63,683	12.06
207-208	1	2.3 ft	2.3	42.09	2,525.4	151,524	28.69
208-222	14	12.5 ft	.892	16.323	979.41	58,764	11.12

*The above calculations are based on the un-altered survey data block from an original copy of the survey which I obtained from the surveyor.

161-166	5	.9 ft	.18	3.294	197.64	11,858	2.24
166-185	19	19.2 ft	1.01	18.492	1,109.55	66,573	12.60
207-210	3	2.3 ft	.766	14.029	841.799	50,507	9.56
210-222	12	12.5 ft	1.04	19.062	1,143.749	68,624	12.99

*The above calculations reflect the vehicle speed based on the WC survey data block which has been altered. (CD 884)

At no time period during the assassination did the Presidential limousine slow to speeds of 2.24 to 3.74 miles per hour. The vehicle obviously did not achieve speeds of 28.69 miles per hour, nor did it accelerate from speeds of 2.24 miles per hour to 12.60 miles per hour in approximately one second (frames 166-185).

The above calculations demonstrate exactly how fraudulent the WC re-enactment was. Neither the original data nor the altered data even closely approximate the true average speed of the Presidential limousine which was in fact between nine to twelve miles per hour throughout the entire sequence of shots fired.