

WAS JUDYTH THE TECHNICIAN in David Ferrie's underground medical laboratory? She admits that she was, despite the obvious legal, ethical and security consequences of doing so. Were they irradiating cancer-causing viruses to develop a biological weapon? Judyth participated in that operation, and has said that their use of radiation was both deliberate and central to the design of the project. Was the operation in David Ferrie's apartment connected to an operation at the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital? Judyth says it was.

The consequences of these statements are terrifying!

Frankly, I would have preferred to have been wrong. It appears that I was not. These were very dark deeds indeed. They may have been dark deeds whose price the population of the planet still pays today. Yet I doubt this connection will ever be proved to the satisfaction of the critics.

But they do not control us, nor do they control the truth!

At least I can finally understand why my father was so upset, when he learned what was going down at the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital.

QUESTIONS that neither Judyth Vary Baker nor I can answer:

- Which monkey viruses did the project's radiation genetically alter? Was SIV one of them?¹⁶
- What happened to their collection of mutated monkey viruses after Judyth left?
- Did any of these mutated monkey viruses "escape" into the human population?
- Will Judyth's price for attempting to clear Lee Oswald's name be the sacrifice of her own?

Fortunately we can still ask questions like these. One has to wonder what will happen if we ever stop.

1 CBS's legendary anchorman Dan Rather was part of the 60M management team at the time. Rather was a staunch supporter of the Oswald-did-it-alone theory, and is infamous for his comment about the Zapruder film, stating that it showed that President Kennedy's head had been thrown violently "forward" by the fatal head shot from the rear. Since the public had not yet been allowed to see the film, there was no one to dispute the accuracy of Rather's comment. Now that the film has been viewed by millions, everyone knows Kennedy's head was thrown "backwards." How could Rather have been so wrong? Was 60M the best place to take Judyth's story?

2 I should add that until I saw the 60M documents, that I did not know that her middle name was spelled "Vary." But with my Jesuit education, I remembered wondering, (wrongly) when I first heard her name back in 1972, if her middle name was "Veri" (like

veritas, meaning truth) or "Vari" (as in various or variable, indicating multiple or changing).

- 3 Langley is the small town in Virginia where the headquarters of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency is located.
- 4 Judyth's knowledge of and personal involvement with the subject of cancer research is remarkable to this day. Upon seeing a 2006 news article about a breakthrough in cancer research involving a mouse whose immune system was extremely good at resisting cancer, Judyth sent me an email which included the following: "We could have cured cancer ... decades ago ... and here you see that macrophages in mice do it --- and yes, just as I have claimed they could.... This can be turned into an efficient and cheap way to combat cancer. Oh, if only I could have convinced somebody to just give me a chance to direct a lab! ... And also because they are still just using murine [mouse] macrophages, a first step that I knew would work way back in 1961. Oh, I feel as if my whole life has been wasted! Have to admit I just sat down after reading this and wept tears of anger and frustration for the millions who have suffered and died from cancer, especially children, and I knew the key, but my mouth had been stopped up with clay. I cannot stop weeping... This is awful, to feel such anger and helplessness. Yet happy that at last they should be able to see what to do..."
- 5 Baker, Judyth Vary. *Lee Harvey Oswald: The True Story of the Accused Assassin of President John F. Kennedy by his Lover*, Trafford, Victoria, BC, Canada, 2006.
- 6 The same document was shown on the History Channel in 2003, *The Men Who Killed Kennedy*, "The Love Affair," November 1963, produced by Nigel Turner in association with British Independent Television.
- 7 On their return trips from Reily, Judyth and Lee exhibited more caution. Though they rode the same bus, they did not sit together. They would ride the bus past their apartments, past the U.S. Public Health Service Hospital, and get off at Audubon Park, where they could speak and socialize freely. Then they would ride the Magazine bus back in the opposite direction to their respective apartments. In an interesting aside, Judyth mentioned to me that she and Lee even rolled down "Monkey Hill" during one of their visits to Audubon Park. Monkey Hill is a 25-foot pile of dirt which is covered with grass. Rolling down Monkey Hill was a great tradition for kids in New Orleans; I did it many times as a child while playing a game called "King on the Mountain." New Orleans is so flat that the City built this artificial hill in Audubon Park so that the local children would know what a hill was. The sight of dozens of school-age children rolling down the hill provided the name: Monkey Hill, because we all looked like a bunch of monkeys.
- 8 Technically Oswald's employment interview was conducted by a Mr. Prechter, who was head of Personnel. However, as Reily's Vice President in charge of Finance and Security, it was Monaghan (the ex-FBI agent) that had to make the final decision on whom to hire. Monaghan apparently did not think that hiring "a defector" who had lived in Russia and held an "undesirable discharge" from the Marines would be a security problem for the virulently anti-Communist company.
- 9 While meeting Banister satisfied Judyth, it does not convince me of official sanction for "the project," since Banister was also working with Mafia-boss Marcello. The larger question: "Was Marcello working with the government?" And the ultimate question: "Who is the government?"
- 10 I emphasize that I do not know of any document, testimony or evidence which suggests that William Reily personally (nor his company as an entity) knew about Ochsner's secret medical project nor that his employees were being used to develop a biological weapon while they were on the company clock. Nothing herein should be interpreted as implying such. What is known is that Reily was fiercely anti-Communist, a member of INCA, and that he provided financial support to some of Ochsner's political activities,

but this can easily be explained by the financial interest of the local business community and the political events of the day. William Reily should be considered as innocent as Oswald, since neither have had a day in court.

- 11 Lee Oswald's family had been Mafia-connected since he was a child. Lee attended parties at Marcello's house, and was remembered from those days by people that Judyth met. Lee also worked as an errand boy, running between Marcello's clubs and restaurants. Lee personally met with Mafia boss Carlos Marcello on several occasions in 1963. Judyth saw Lee collect fists full of cash from the manager of Marcello's Town & Country Motel and deliver it to his uncle, who was involved in Marcello's gambling operations.
- 12 The secretary was a temp. Ochsner's regular secretary (a nurse) was on vacation at the time.
- 13 Jack Ruby visited David Ferrie's apartment one day when Judyth and Lee were there. Ferrie introduced him to Judyth as Sparky Rubenstein. Judyth was surprised that Ferrie briefed Ruby on their bio-weapon project. (Why not? They all worked for Marcello.) Ruby recognized Lee, and said that he used to see him at parties when he was a boy. This means that Jack Ruby knew about Oswald's connection to the underground medical laboratory when he shot him, and he knew about the cancer cocktail that could be used to silence him as he awaited trial for Oswald's murder. It is no wonder he wanted to get out of Dallas. And it is no wonder that the Warren Commission did not accept his offer to talk in exchange for safer accommodations. Jack Ruby told Al Maddox (his Dallas Police guard) that he had been injected with cancer cells. Maddox has said that the doctor that gave Ruby injections came from Chicago. Maddox was present at Parkland Hospital when Ruby died of an embolism caused by galloping lung cancer.
- 14 Publicly, I have always taken the position that Oswald's guilt or innocence is ultimately irrelevant to whether an underground medical laboratory in New Orleans was using mutated monkey viruses to develop a biological weapon, and whether that project is responsible for epidemics we see today. My neutrality on Oswald is a position that has become increasingly difficult for me to maintain. To my eyes, Lee was the perfect patsy—one that could not be investigated without getting into his connections to the Mafia, to the CIA, to Ochsner, to the particle accelerator, to the biological weapon and (most importantly) to his ultimate sponsor. Who was the person who had helped the "defector" return to the United States from the Soviet Union with his wife and child at the height of the Cold War? Who was Oswald's ultimate sponsor? Is the need to hide this key piece of information the reason why Lee Harvey Oswald's tax returns have never been made public? Was it Marcello using his influence on the Louisiana politicians that he was so famous for bribing? Or was it Bobby Kennedy himself—who was U.S. Attorney General at the time Oswald returned and had the power to declare that he was still a citizen and allow him to return. Either of these sponsors could have arranged for the State Department to lend him the money to pay for his family's transportation back to the U.S. These are the type of penetrating questions that the "lone nut" theory was constructed to suppress. They are the questions we still need to ask today.
- 15 Credit Dr. Howard Platzman for taking Judyth Vary Baker to *60 Minutes* and later to me.

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