

Warren Commission Report

Narrator: Because of the following special program *Sunday with Jack Benny*, *Ted Mack and the Original Amateur Hour*, *The Twentieth Century*, and *Mister Ed* will not be seen today, but will return next week at their regular times on most of these stations.

You are watching an official re-enactment of the murder of President John F. Kennedy, filmed from the window where the alleged assassin crouched and through the telescopic sight of his rifle. This is a CBS *News EXTRA*: "November 22nd and The Warren Report." Here is CBS news correspondent Walter Cronkite.

Walter Cronkite: November 22, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy was shot to death in full view of hundreds of spectators watching him in a Dallas, Texas motorcade. Forty-eight hours later, the man Dallas police said shot the President, Lee Harvey Oswald, was himself killed by Jack Ruby in full view of millions of Americans watching television.

This bizarre sequence of double killings raised great questions. Who actually fired the shots that killed Kennedy? Why did Ruby shoot Oswald? Was there a conspiracy? Were right-wingers involved? Was it a Russian plot? A Cuban plot? The new President Lyndon Johnson ordered these questions answered. He appointed a commission of seven prominent Americans to investigate the whole affair. He literally drafted Supreme Court Justice Earl Warren as chair.

This committee labored ten months, took testimony from hundreds of witnesses, then brought forth a document close to a thousand pages. The report is signed by Earl Warren, Chief Justice of the United...