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Was the assassination of John F. Kennedy actually masterminded by a desperate mob boss? The House Select Committee on Assassinations seemed to agree; it named New Orleans Mafioso Carlos Marcello its prime suspect in 1979. Now, in *Mafia Kingfish*, John H. Davis reveals stunning new evidence of Marcello's complicity in the murders of both John and Robert Kennedy.

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Linda says

I have a complete fascination with the mafia & mafia related themes. One of my favorite books on this subject was the "Mafia Kingfish".

This book follows the heated passion between the Kennedy brothers & Carlos Marcello who became kingpin of the most powerful mafia family in the US. Equally fascinating is the author "Jack Davis" who went on to become Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis closest friend & confidant. I truly loved reading this book and at almost 600 pages I still wasn't ready to put it down. If I could give it more stars I would.

Kenneth Sitsler says

this book keeps your mind racing the whole way through.If you believe Oswald did it this may change your mind!!!!

Walt says

There is more on the Kennedy Assassination than Carlos Marcello. Davis spent an enormous amount of time trying to connect Marcello to the JFK murder. Davis clearly feels that by writing such a large book people will assume he proves his point. He does not.

Pete daPixie says

John H. Davis previously published, in 1969 a book on 'The Bouviers:Portrait of an American Family' into which he was related by marriage to Maude Bouvier. He also wrote 'The Kennedys:Dynasty and Disaster' in 1993. His probe into the JFK assassination, 'Mafia Kingfish' arrived just after the twenty fifth anniversary in 1989.

Comprising more than five hundred pages, his investigation into Mafia supremo Carlos Marcello's possible/likely involvement in the Dallas hit is a little on the long side. However there was much detail in this book that I found very interesting, and I used many quotes in my article featuring Jack Ruby that was published in the November 2014 issue of the 'Dealey Plaza Echo.' Also, new to me and extremely fascinating were the details of the late 1970's BRILAB sting, operated by the FBI, that effectively closed down the Marcello family syndicate. Tragically this operation could only be performed once Hoover was dead. Davis provides a comprehensive section of his source material, but I would have appreciated reference to notes in the body of the text, which as stated above could have been edited down slightly.

Without any doubt principal players in the JFK mystery had links to Marcello, namely Lee Harvey Oswald, Jack Ruby and many others in New Orleans, Banister, Ferrie and Arcacha Smith. (Dallas Police Homicide Captain Will Fritz informed Jim Garrison's investigation that diagrams of the Dealey Plaza sewer system had been found in Arcacha Smith's Dallas apartment! Info not provided in this book.)

Much of the mystery and conspiracy theoretic today, is a direct result of the cover-up performed by Hoover at the FBI back in '63 and continued on by other U.S. government agencies since. Those looking for further

reading along this line can read Mark North's 'Act of Treason.' (1991)

Marian says

Man I can't wait to trap people at parties now that I'm freshly informed on my JFK conspiracy theory! Regardless if the mafia was behind Kennedy's assassination, I really enjoyed learning more about some of the key figures at that time, especially J. Edgar Hoover. I was also surprised I wasn't at all familiar with Marcello and the mafia operation in New Orleans, as it was absolutely massive.

My biggest complaint about the book was that the writing just didn't flow very well. I also found that there was a lot of repetition. The book could have been about half the size with a proper editor.

Now time to do some fact checking....

Marc says

it was good for its time

Matt Potter says

Greatest read on the Marcello as JFK assassin theory, but sad to note the recent passing of author John D. Davis.

As G. Robert Blakey, chief counsel to the House assassinations committee told the NYT:

“I think John wrote one of the best books on this theory. And I don't just say that because I happen to agree with his theory.”

Krotpong says

Who REALLY whacked John F. Kennedy? The F.B.I. and the Mafia according to this weighty tome. Dovetails nicely with some of the other crackpot conspiracy theorist books I have.

Steve Green says

Loved the topic of the book but it was an incredibly slow and difficult read at times. Another book to add to

the multitude of conspiracy theories about the Kennedy assassination.

James says

I always knew the official story that Jack Ruby was another loopy loner was a lie.
His action fit classic assassination theory too well.
You send in 2 teams of killers,
Team 1 kills the target,
Team 2 kills team 1, thus making things more confusing for others to figure out.

I wondered if before I died I would learn the True story of the JFK murder.
Now I have.

This book is great, not only convincing evidence that the mob whacked JFK, but RFK and Martin King as well.

It's embarrassing to the US government that a gangster killed
a president, an almost president, changed the course of American history,
and the Hoover run FBI was either totally incompetent or complicit.

Written in 1989, I'm amazed this story hasn't gotten more attention.

If you only read one book in the next 10 years,
look at this one.

Kyle J. Merriam says

An interesting read.

Randy says

I have read this book twice in 20 years. Another related book, Operation Overflight, by Gary Powers, mentions that the Russians had to know the airspeed and altitude of the U2 to shoot it down. When a young Private who observed U2 flights over China from Atsugi, Japan defected to Russia, they were able to shoot the U2 down 6 months later. That Private was Lee Harvey Oswald. The fact that J. Edgar Hoover knew this and did nothing when Oswald re-entered the US indicates that Hoover was possibly complicit in the assassination.

This is a fascinating book. Amazing that the Warren Commission was so inept.

Jane says

Over the years, there have been many discussions on the shooting of JFK. For those of us who lived at the time of this event, much of the "investigations" seemed contradictory, with too many loose ends. This book by Davis is well researched, and in view of another recently published book, the role of David Ferrie seems more pronounced than previously indicated. Mostly this is a story of power, with each little participant trying to preserve their own turf and power. I grew up in New Orleans, and remember some of these people and news stories. The theory seems very plausible to me, based on the people and politics of this area of the country. If you came of age in the 1960's, I highly recommend that you read this book.

Malerie says

Interesting novel, as far as the mafia conspiracy theory goes in JFK's assassination. Sparky should read this.
