

# THE CLINTON BODY COUNT: COINCIDENCE OR THE KISS OF DEATH?

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This administration seems to be plagued with an inordinate number of "suicides," plane crashes, one-person fatal "accidents," and unexplained deaths. The following is a summary of the deaths of people who have died, none of them from natural causes, who are connected to Bill Clinton.

The label of "Insider," "NWO," or "Bodyguard," has been applied to the persons below to delineate the manner in which the person could be considered to be connected to Bill Clinton.

An "Insider" is a person who was personally close to Bill Clinton or his inner circle of close business associates, including Mack McLarty, Webster Hubbell, and Vince Foster.

A person with the designation "NWO" (New World Order) is a person who was in a position of position of planning, observing or opposing Clinton's plans for the use of U.S. troops in U.N. operations or military operations within the U.S.

A "Bodyguard" is someone who has been a personal bodyguard or escort to Bill Clinton during his presidential campaign or since he became president.

- July 30, 1992 - Dillingham, Alaska
- Clinton's finance co-chairman, son

**INSIDER:** C. Victor Raiser II, 52, the national finance co-chairman of the Clinton for President campaign, and his son, R. Montgomery Raiser, 22, were among five people killed July 30, 1992, in a crash of a private plane near Dillingham, Alaska, carrying the party on to a private fishing expedition. The plane was a DeHaviland Beaver owned by the Bristol Bay Lodge. Investigators did not speculate about a cause, but weather was believed to be a factor.

Victor Raiser was a Washington lawyer and he was counsel to the Washington lawfirm of Jones Day Reavis & Pogue until 1991. At

his death, he was the national finance co-chairman of the Clinton for President campaign. The campaign's press secretary, Dee Dee Myers, described him as a "major player" in the Clinton organization. He and his wife had been friends of the Clintons for ten years. He was the past national finance chairman of the Democratic National Committee. He served on the boards of the Democratic Business Council and the Center for National Policy and the board of advisers of the Democratic Leadership Council.

On May 29, 1993, President Clinton announced that he had selected Raiser's widow, Molly Raiser, 50, former Democratic co-chair of the Women's Campaign Fund, to be his protocol chief and stated that he planned to nominate her for confirmation as an ambassador. Mrs. Raiser was working on her doctorate in American History at Georgetown University at the time of her husband's death.

Victor Raiser was chairman of the

American Mobile Satellite Corp., a telecommunications development company in Washington, and vice chairman of Mobile Telecommunication Technologies Corp. of Jackson, Miss., a paging and voice messaging company. Its main subsidiary in Washington is SkyTel Corp., an international paging company used by federal police agencies such as the FBI. He was a native of Indianapolis, Indiana and graduated from Princeton University with a Bachelor's degree in 1962 and earned a law degree from the University of Virginia in 1965.

Montgomery Raiser was also active in the political campaign for Clinton and was a graduate of Princeton University.

- Sept. 23, 1992, Little Rock, Arkansas
- Paul Tully, Clinton Campaign Aide

**INSIDER:** Paul Tully, Democratic National Committee political director and architect of a strategy to make the party competitive again in presidential elections, was found dead in his hotel room in Little Rock, Arkansas of unknown causes. Authorities speculated his death was from a heart attack or stroke.

In a press release, then-presidential candidate Clinton called Mr. Tully "a dear friend and trusted adviser." He said he was "deeply saddened by the loss."

Tully devised a strategy of targeting states based on their value in the Electoral College, and coordinating the presidential campaign with state and congressional races.

He grew up in Long Island, New York and graduated from Yale University in 1968.

- Dec. 9, 1992, Monticello, Arkansas
- Paula Gober, Clinton's Interpreter

**INSIDER:** Paula Gober, 36, an interpreter for the hearing impaired, of

McGehee, Arkansas, died from injuries suffered when her car overturned at a curve on Arkansas 4, east of Monticello, throwing her 33 feet from the vehicle. There were no known witnesses to the accident.

She was married to McGehee Fire Chief Ken Gober and was the mother of two children.

Gober had worked as Clinton's interpreter for several years and had first accompanied Clinton in 1978 in his bid for governor. She had travelled with him extensively over the years. She had interpreted Clinton's November 3 victory speech, and his acceptance speech at Madison Square Garden in New York in July. She was being considered for the job of hearing impaired interpreter for Clinton's inaugural address.

Clinton, through a spokesman, called Gober's death "a great personal loss."

"Hillary and I extend our sincere sympathy to Paula's family. I had the privilege of working with her over many years."

Paula Gober was regional manager for Associated Rehabilitation Services and formerly worked as a speech pathologist at the McGehee School District.

She held a bachelor of science degree in speech language pathology from Henderson State University at Arkadelphia and a master's degree from the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences at Little Rock.

She is survived by her husband, Ken; daughters Sarah Brooke Gober and Mary Emily Gober; parents Gene Keith Renshaw and Jo Ann Bratcher Renshaw of Hot Springs; a brother, Tommy Renshaw, and grandmother, Pauline "Babe" Givens of Hot Springs.

- Dec. 21, 1992, Aspen, Colorado
- Jim Wilhite, Arkla Executive

**INSIDER:** Jim Wilhite, 54, of Shreveport, Louisiana, a close friend and business associate of White House Chief of

Staff and good friend of President Clinton, Mack McLarty, suffered fatal head injuries when he hit a tree on Snowmass Mountain while skiing in Aspen.

Wilhite was vice chairman of Arkla Inc. a multistate natural gas company, spanning Arkansas and Louisiana. He was also chief executive officer of Entex, a Houston based subsidiary of Arkla.

Mack McLarty, prior to becoming White House chief of Staff, was chairman and chief executive officer of Arkla.

McLarty said that he had talked to Wilhite the morning of the accident and that Wilhite said he was enjoying his skiing vacation. "Jim was much more than a business colleague. he was a special friend and trusted adviser. We had visited by telephone Saturday only hours before his tragic accident." McLarty said.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley, and two children, Kim and Scott.

- February 24, 1993, Bonn, Germany
- Maj.Gen. Robertson, 3 other military

NWO: Maj. Gen. Jarrett J. Robertson, 52, the deputy commanding general of V Corps, died when an Army UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter crashed as it attempted to land at Wiesbaden air base. Also killed were Col. William J. Densberger, 47, the corps' chief of operations and plans; Col. Robert J. Kelly, 48, its chief of intelligence; and Spec. Gary L. Rhodes, 23, the helicopter crew chief.

No cause was determined for the crash, in which four officers also were injured.

V Corps, an armored force headquartered in nearby Frankfurt, is the U.S. Army's chief combat component in Europe and currently has troops in Somalia and a medical unit in Croatia.

The officers were returning from a meeting at the U.S. European Command headquarters in Stuttgart when their Blackhawk fell suddenly to the ground not far from the

Wiesbaden air base's control tower and burst into flames.

V Corps and 1st Armored Division figure prominently in the U.S. Bosnia-Serbia peacekeeping plan, along with the Carrier Roosevelt; eight other persons who were associated with Clinton's visit to the Carrier Roosevelt died within four months of each other in aviation accidents.

- February 28, 1993, Waco, Texas
- 3 Former Bodyguards

BODYGUARDS: 3 of 4 agents killed in the raid on February 28, 1993, by agents of the Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms bureau on the Branch Davidians in Waco, Texas, had formerly been bodyguards to Bill Clinton.

In his address to employees of the Treasury Department in the Cash Room on March 18, 1993, Clinton said:

"My prayers and I'm sure yours are still with the families of all four of the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents who were killed in Waco -- Todd McKeehan and Conway Le Bleu of New Orleans; Steve Willis of Houston, and Robert Williams from my hometown of Little Rock. Three of those four were assigned to my security during the course of the primary or general election."

- February 28, 1993, Waco, Texas
- 3 Former Bodyguards

NWO/BODYGUARDS: Five Navy aviators were killed when their E-2C Hawkeye early warning plane crashed into the sea after it was "waved off "from landing during its first approach because of a "foul deck," meaning that something obstructed the landing area, a Navy spokesman said. The crew had been attempting to return to the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt. A Navy statement said the Hawkeye crashed for reasons unknown about a mile from the carrier. The statement

said the plane had been in international airspace and its crash was "not related to any hostile fire from the former Yugoslavia."

President Clinton had visited the Carrier Roosevelt two weeks earlier after it left port in Norfolk, Virginia. The five naval airmen killed in the Hawkeye crash had been President Clinton's escorts on the Carrier Roosevelt during that visit. The three men who flew President Clinton to the Carrier Roosevelt by helicopter also died later in a helicopter crash.

The Carrier Roosevelt figures prominently in the U.N. Bosnia-Serbia peacekeeping plans, as did V Corps and 1st Armored Division in Europe. The Deputy Commanding General of V Corps had been killed in a helicopter crash a month earlier.

President Clinton, who visited the Roosevelt March 12 as it steamed from Norfolk, expressed sadness yesterday at the loss of the crew, adding, "They made America proud, and I want to say that my thoughts and prayers are with the relatives and the shipmates of those five servicemen who are missing at sea."

- May 19, Quantico, Va.
- 4 Presidential Helicopter crewmen

**NWO/BODYGUARDS:** 4 Marines who were members of the Presidential helicopter squadron were killed May 19, 1993, when their VH-60N Blackhawk helicopter went down in a heavily wooded area across the Potomac River from the Marine base in Quantico, Va. while on an inspection flight after undergoing maintenance, said Capt. Steve Manuel, spokesman at Marine Corps headquarters in Washington.

The flight originated at Quantico, where the presidential fleet, Marine Helicopter Squadron 1, is based.

Reporters were barred from the scene, and Debi Higdon, vice president of the Indian Head Volunteer Fire Department, said "Security was tight," with "lots of Marines

with guns." She said a Marine major seized videotape recorded by a member of her fire department.

Killed were Staff Sgt. Brian D. Haney, 32, of North Ridgeville, Ohio, who had once flown with President George Bush to Europe and in the presidential campaign "all over the United States," and frequently flew with Bush to Camp David, the presidential retreat in Maryland's Catoctin Mountains, according to his mother. He is survived by his wife, Jeanne, and four children, Jamie, 6; Anthony, 4; Deanna, 1; and Kristina, 6 months; Marine Sgt. Timothy D. Sabel, of Ripon, Wis., a Marine since 1984; Maj. William S. Barkley Jr., 39, of Hickory, N.C., who is survived by his wife, Sylvia, and three children, Wesley, 15, Travis, 12, and Lisa, 8; and Co-pilot, Capt. Scott J. Reynolds, 33, of Wausau, Wis., who is survived by his wife, Stacie. He joined the Marines in 1984, was designated a naval aviator in 1987 and was a veteran of the Persian Gulf War.

Clinton had flown once on that particular craft, according to White House spokeswoman Dee Dee Myers. That flight took the president to the aircraft carrier USS Theodore Roosevelt off the Virginia coast in March, she said.

All four of the men killed had escorted Clinton on the flight to the Carrier Roosevelt. The only crew member regularly assigned to the downed helicopter was Sabel, the crew chief.

- June 22, 1993, Washington, D.C.
- Paul Wilcher, Washington Attorney

**INSIDER:** The partially decomposed body of Paul Wilcher, a 49-year-old investigative lawyer, was found on a toilet in his Capitol Hill apartment in Washington, D.C. The cause of death was undetermined. At the time of his death, he was investigating connections between the "October Surprise" conspiracy during the 1980 federal election

campaign, drug and gun running out of Mena, Arkansas, and the federal assault on Waco. He had written a 99 page affidavit to Attorney General Janet Reno three weeks prior to his death.

He had recently interviewed Gunther Russbacher, who claims to have piloted George Bush to Paris so he could secretly seek to delay the release of 52 American hostages in Iran. He had also recently spoken with John Parsons, a producer of syndicated television programs, about making a documentary of his findings. and with John Vassillos, a disbarred Illinois attorney who represented both Russbacher and another CIA operative Mike Riconosciuto, who is presently imprisoned. Riconosciuto claims he was involved in a web of underworld, CIA, and Department of Justice dealings, including the Inslaw scandal, and gun and drug running out of Mena, Arkansas.

Recent revelations about the Clintons bank dealings in Arkansas tie directly to the gun and drug running out of Mena, Arkansas, by way of the Arkansas Development Finance Authority. Webster Hubbell, former law partner of Bill Clinton, Hillary Clinton, Vincent Foster, and business associate of Mack McLarty, is now Associate Attorney General. While in Arkansas, however, he obtained the first loan under the Arkansas Development authority. A 2.75 million dollar loan for his son-in-law, Skeeter Ward, the executive director of Park On Meter, a metal fabricating company that makes parking meters. This company then made chemical bombs and ferry drop cannisters for the Contras.

Danny Casalero, 44, a reporter who had also been investigating "October Surprise" and its connections to what has come to be called the "Inslaw Scandal," involving the Department of Justice's theft of a computer program from the Inslaw company, was found murdered in a hotel bathtub in Washington, D.C. in 1991, the day after telling friends and family that was about to receive material that would provide him with documentation linking Inslaw to October Surprise and the Iran-Contra

scandals.

Paul Wilcher was investigating these same links, as well as their connection to the deaths of the ATF agents and Branch Davidians at Mt. Carmel at the time of his own death. He had provided a 99 page affidavit of his findings to Attorney General Janet Reno three weeks prior to his death.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ July 21, 1993, Washington, D.C.</li><li>■ Vince Foster, Clinton's Legal Counsel</li></ul> |
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**INSIDER:** On July 21, 1993, the White House announced that Vincent Foster, staff legal counsel to President Clinton had "committed suicide in a park outside Washington." In a statement, White House press secretary Dee Dee Myers said that Vincent Foster, Jr., 48, the White House deputy counsel, was found dead in a suburban Virginia park, supposedly killed by a self-inflicted gunshot wound. Foster, originally from Hope, Ark., like Clinton, had come to Washington from the Rose Law firm, where Hillary and Bill Clinton, were formerly employed, along with Thomas "Mack" McLarty, who is now chief legal counsel in the White House, and Senior Rose lawfirm partner, Webster Hubbell, who is now "associate" Attorney General.

No note was found near the body, which was discovered by local authorities in Fort Marcy Park, near Fairfax, Va., officials said, nor was any possible reason Foster might have taken his life put forward. He was found attired in a suit, holding a gun that he did not own. His car was not found nearby.

Foster was among those responsible for initiating a private audit of the White House Travel agency, but he had been thwarted in his efforts to enlist an FBI investigation into what was dubbed the "Travel gate" scandal, involving the abrupt firing of seven longtime employees from the White House travel office and the hiring of a distant cousin of Clinton's. An internal investigation by White House chief

of staff Thomas "Mack" McLarty documented Foster's involvement in the process, which included contacts with the first lady on the subject of possible criminal wrongdoing. McLarty was purportedly the last person to speak to Foster before his death.

Foster had been tasked by Hillary Clinton with reconstructing bank records to prevent the disclosure of an illegal "slush fund" used by the Clintons in Arkansas. There are presently at least two bank scandals, involving the Whitewater Bank and Madison Bank, in which the Clinton's have an interest, that have emerged from Little Rock Arkansas. Foster was the Clinton's financial adviser while Clinton was governor of Arkansas.

This trail of banking interests may well eventually lead to the Arkansas Development Finance Authority, which Clinton helped to create during his tenure as governor. It was during this time that now-Associate Attorney General Webster Hubbell, who is a former law partner of the Clintons, Foster, and McLarty, obtained the first loan under the program, for 2.75 million dollars, for his son-in-law, Skeeter Ward, the executive director of a company called Park On Meter, in Arkansas, which was used to manufacture supplies for planes delivering supplies to the Contras out of Mena, Arkansas.

Illicit gun and drug running from Mena, Arkansas, well exposed in an article by John Connally of Spy Magazine in September, 1992, which tracked the involvement of the CIA's proprietary company, Evergreen Airlines and Summit Aviation in the gun and drug smuggling operation.

Immediately following Foster's death, the Whitehouse ordered his death investigated by Park Rangers, rather than the FBI, and ordered that it be investigated "as a suicide." Foster's briefcase and personal effects were gone through, item by item, at the Whitehouse, as the Park Rangers were kept outside. Foster's personal diary and a box of personal papers "dissappeared." No suicide note or other indications that Foster might take his life

were found in the inventory of his belongings on the day of his death. Three days later, however, an unsigned, torn up note, supposedly turned up in his briefcase. It did not read like a suicide note, but more like a list of the things that were wrong with Washington, D.C. One part of the note, however, said that the world would never know how innocent Bill and Hillary Clinton were of wrongdoing. A section of the torn up note was missing. There was a palmprint on the note that was never investigated.

After Congressional inquiries, the FBI is presently investigating Foster's death as a possible homicide. Bill and Hillary Clinton initially denied any knowledge of the missing diary or box of papers, but have now agreed to surrender the box of papers "after an inventory" is made of them. Congress is conducting its own inquiries into Foster's death as well.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Sept. 10, 1993, Washington, D.C.</li><li>■ Health Reform Chairman &amp; Attorney</li></ul> |
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Stanley Heard, 48, a chiropractor from Hot Springs, Ark., who was chairman of the National Chiropractic Health Care Advisory Committee, and Steven Dickson, a lawyer from Topeka, Kan., who also was an advisor on health care reform issues, were killed in a plane crash shortly after take off from Dulles Airport in Washington, D.C.

The men had rented the plane from Air Spirit Aviation in St. Louis after Dickson's plane developed mechanical problems on the way to Washington last week, said Margaret Napolitan, an investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board.

Dickson's law partner, Judy Pope, said that Dickson had flown his own plane from Topeka, but on the way to Washington it developed problems and he landed in St. Louis. There, he left his plane for repair and rented another plane, Pope said.

Dickson, a bachelor, was active in the

Democratic Party in Kansas. He ran unsuccessfully for Congress in 1984. He specialized in law relating to Chiropractic medicine and he was special counsel to the National Chiropractors Health Care Advisory Committee to the Clinton administration. His law partner, Judy Pope, said this was how he had met Dr. Heard.

Shortly after take off from Dulles Airport in Washington, D.C., Dickson had told Air Traffic controllers there was a fire on board, Fauquier County Sheriff Joe Higgs said. The plane crashed while attempting an emergency landing at a nearby farm.

The men had attended a briefing the day before in the Washington area on the Clinton administration's health care plan.

According to a Health Care Professional Program newsletter, Heard had met Clinton during the 1970s over a pinball game in a Hot Springs restaurant, they became friends, and Heard was later appointed Chairman of the Health Care Advisory Committee. The newsletter said Heard had treated Clinton's mother, stepfather and brother at his Hot Springs clinic. Heard was a graduate of Palmer Chiropractic College.

Heard was active in Democratic politics, and had been appointed by Clinton to an Arkansas chiropractors' ethics committee when Clinton was governor of the state, according to John E. Nelson, a retired chiropractor in Hot Springs.

Heard is survived by his wife, Penny Rennae Heard; daughters Pasley and Cassandra Heard; and sons Dexter, Dustin and Louis Heard.

Three of Heard's children were barred from school for most of the 1983-84 year after Heard and his wife, citing concerns about the safety of vaccinations, refused to have them immunized. The children were allowed to return to school the following year after their parents cited their religious beliefs as barring the immunizations.

Ed Willey, 60, a prominent real estate

- November 30, 1993, Salisbury, Va.
- Ed Willey, Clinton Fund Raiser

attorney and land developer, was found in deep woods late on the morning of November 30, 1993, by King and Queen County sheriff's deputies in Virginia after hunters reported his Isuzu Trooper parked off state Route 14. Investigators found no suicide note and so far have determined no motive for the apparent suicide.

An autopsy attributed the cause of death to a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head, according to state police officials. The time of death was uncertain, but his family members apparently had not seen him in over 24 hours.

In 1993, he and his wife, Kathleen, were hosts for a catered party for gubernatorial candidate Mary Sue Terry. Willey was an influential fund-raiser for the Clinton for President campaign. He and his wife flew to Little Rock, Ark., for Bill Clinton's victory rally. His wife works for Hillary Clinton during at least part of each week, according to friends.

Willey was the son of the late Edward E. Willey Sr., a state senator from Richmond who served as chairman of the finance committee and is considered one of the most powerful legislators in Virginia history.

- June, 1993, Jacksonville, Ark
- Jerry or Luther Park\*\*

\*\*Not verified in public records yet:

BODYGUARD: I received several faxed reports of the death of Jerry or Luther Park, head of Clinton's security in Arkansas, purportedly found dead along a roadside from machinegun fire but have not yet been able to locate public records verifying this.

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At the present time, I am working on research

regarding the extraordinary number of military helicopter and plane crashes which seem to be killing off the leaders of the National Guard and Reserve in the country. I am also seeking first-hand accounts and information on U.N. troop movements in this country, encounters with unmarked black helicopters, gun confiscation efforts around the country and photographs of detention camps. I welcome any contributions to this effort, as well as any additions, deletions, or corrections to the information in this summary.

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### SUMMARY

Connected to Clinton:                    Collateral Deaths (Persons killed with someone connected to Clinton)

C. Victor Raiser                    3 other persons killed with the Raisers  
R. Montgomery Raiser

Paul Tully

Paula Gober

Jim Wilhite

MG Jarrett J. Robertson        Spec. Gary L. Rhodes, helicopter crew chief.  
Col. William J. Densberger  
Col. Robert J. Kelly

Todd McKeehan                    Steve Willis  
Conway Le Bleu  
Robert Williams

5 Navy Aviators

Staff Sgt. Brian D. Haney  
Sgt. Timothy D. Sabel  
Maj. William S. Barkley Jr.  
Capt. Scott J. Reynolds, 33

Paul Wilcher

Vince Foster

Dr. Stanley Heard  
Steve Dickson

Ed Willey

Jerry Park\*

**TOTAL: 26 deaths of persons connected to Bill Clinton, 12 of them bodyguards; 5 additional "collateral" deaths, all totalling 31 deaths at time of printing.**

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\* I have received several reports of this person's death but I have not verified in public records at time of writing. He was head of Clinton's security in Arkansas.

## Waco, the Big Lie

Linda D. Thompson  
Chairman, American Justice Federation

What we, as a nation were told by the FBI, through the media, from February 28, 1993 through the tragic ending of the federal siege at Mt. Carmel in Waco, Texas on April, 1993, were lies. The lying, in itself, is a travesty, a blade through the heart of everything for which this great country stands. The ATF and FBI have no excuse. They lied, they knew they lied when they did it and they are still lying.

The media may claim they were deceived by the lies of the FBI and printed only what they were told. But therein lies the blame -- no one from the media questioned what he was told or investigated, dug a little deeper, or tried to ferret out any semblance of truth. And now, the federal agencies are covering up the massacre. The media, realizing the horror of what they have done, seem to have taken the position that they, too, must cover it up, hide the shame and the blame.

### Why was the ATF in Waco?

Why did the ATF go to Mount Carmel? In the search warrant, the ATF claimed to have been looking for guns that were being converted to machine guns, but provided absolutely no proof or reliable information that there was any reason whatsoever to believe that illegal automatic weapons were being made at Mt. Carmel.

On the day of the raid, ATF spokesman Jack Killoran, interviewed by telephone in Washington, D.C., by Linda Thompson in Indianapolis, Indiana, said that the search warrant the ATF agents were trying to serve was for "illegal machine guns and explosive devices." He also said that "since 1986, it is illegal for anyone to own a machine gun."

It is not illegal to own a machine gun in the United States. A person who wants to own a machine gun need only pay a \$200.00 tax and complete a registration form to legally own a machine gun. The ATF keeps the paperwork. So if the Branch Davidians owned an "illegal" machine gun, it meant that they had failed to pay a \$200.00 tax. Surely no one in his right mind would believe that the failure to pay a \$200.00 tax justifies a military assault on a house full of men, women, and children.

But the ATF had a pretty good idea of whether or not there were illegal weapons at Mt. Carmel. In July, 1992, the ATF had visited Hewitt Arms, a gun store in Waco, where the Branch Davidians had legally purchased most of their guns. They examined the records at the store. Since records existed, it is a pretty safe bet that not only were those weapons legally purchased, the ATF had copies of those records, too. Nonetheless, while the ATF was at Hewitt Arms, the owner, Henry McMahon, called David Koresh and told him that the ATF had a problem with him buying so many guns. David Koresh said for McMahon to "tell them to come on out." The ATF declined this offer. This inspection was not mentioned in the search

warrant.

In fact, the allegations supporting the ATF's "probable cause" to ask for a search warrant were so weak, the ATF had to pad the search warrant application by throwing in a lot of innuendo, information the source of which was more than eight months old and second hand, and references to child abuse and multiple wives. The ATF has no jurisdiction whatsoever over child abuse or polygamy, and certainly neither of these things, even if they had been true, would have given them any reason to go to Mt. Carmel to search for weapons violations.

And even these allegations had already been proven false, twice. The source of these allegations of "child abuse" and sexual molestation of children were Marc Breault, a self-proclaimed "prophet" who had joined the Branch Davidians in 1987 and kicked out in 1989 for attempting to take over the leadership with his grandiose claims. Marc Breault vowed revenge. For the next two and a half years, Marc Breault made allegations, which grew more and more outrageous with the passing of time. He contacted agencies in Australia, Britain, and the United States, demanding that "something be done about the Branch Davidians" and alleging child abuse. Cult Awareness Network picked up Marc Breault's allegations and began a campaign of their own.

Cult Awareness Network (CAN) is a group, started by the daughter of the late Senator Leo Ryan (killed at Jonestown) that targets religious groups around the world for hate campaigns in the media. They always make the same allegations against each group they attack: "Perverted sex," "child abuse," and "brainwashing." It reads like a worn out script, it has been repeated so many times against so many different groups. Its headquarters was formerly in the B'Nai B'rith building and it receives funding from the Anti-Defamation League.

Not coincidentally, two so-called "cult experts," Margaret Singer and Louis Jocelyn West, always pop up in support of allegations by CAN, to be interviewed by the media lapdogs who never bother to check their credentials. Both Singer and West were involved in CIA experiments with LSD and mind control in the 60's and 70's. Another CAN expert, Galen Kelly, was recently convicted of kidnapping charges.

Rick Ross, who claims to be a "cult de-programmer," also works for CAN. He was advising the ATF on "cults" for at least a month before the raid.

Yet Rick Ross has no expertise in much of anything, except theft, for which he has a felony conviction. He was recently indicted for kidnapping.

Another tired old tactic of CAN is to parade a "former cult member" before the TV cameras, to parrot the allegations of "child abuse" or "perverted sex." Not incoincidentally, these "former cult members" in every case, no matter which "cult" is under scrutiny, have a history of mental illness and have been "deprogrammed." "Deprogramming" is, in fact, brainwashing. It involves kidnapping a person, isolating them in a room with the "deprogrammer" who deprives them of food and sleep until their will is broken.

And it was CAN who had complained to Texas authorities that the Branch Davidians were "abusing children." And, of course, the welfare department intruded into the Branch Davidian home, twice, to investigate these charges but found them to be baseless.

And yet, the ATF relied upon these so-called "experts" and regurgitated these same, baseless allegations in the search warrant, and the media repeated the allegations over and over and over -- demonizing and dehumanizing the Branch Davidians.

And again, not coincidentally, "demonizing" a target is a well-known propaganda technique. The Nazis used it very successfully in Germany to keep people from becoming alarmed at the murders that were occurring around them or the changes in the laws that were supposedly to rid society of these "bad people." Just like what has happened here in the United States with the so-called "war on drugs" and the "evil drug lords." We have given up our rights to live in a police state in the name of the "war on drugs." And it got us Waco. So why wouldn't the ATF and FBI expect this tactic of "demonizing" the target to work? And we didn't disappoint them.

Most of America sat glued to the TV set, believing every lie that was fed to them -- letting the Branch Davidians be tortured, day after day, because, of course, they were "perverted," they were a "cult," they were "not like us."

But well before the ATF took out the search warrant, they already knew that the bulk of the allegations in the application were lies.

And for an agency that was supposedly looking for "machine guns and explosives," the ATF launched its assault with no ambulances or even so much as an explosive ordnance (bomb squad) expert on hand.

### **Who shot first?**

Examining the film footage of the initial assault, it is plain to see that the ATF arrived in full battle gear. All of the agents are dressed in full black SS uniforms or military camouflage fatigues (guess they thought there would be a forest inside the house . . .). Many were carrying sniper rifles and MP5 fully automatic rifles. Most of them have baseball, canister, and pineapple grenades on their belts, too, and many of them carry long knives in sheaths on their backs.

Three helicopters, only one of them national guard, were also on hand.

In one of the first Associated Press wire stories to appear, John McLemore, a Channel 10, KWTX-TV reporter from Waco said, "They came right in, parked right by the front door and made a frontal assault on the building."

But by the next day, McLemore was quoted only as saying, "It sounded like a war zone, people were being hit, you could hear people screaming with the agony, the pain of it." The spin doctors had arrived to make certain that we heard only what we were supposed to hear and read only the "official truth."

And the film that was released to the public shows two teams of four ATF agents scaling a ladder onto the roof. ATF Agent Ted Royster was quoted as saying that these teams were supposed to secure the roof within 22 seconds of arrival. We can presume that this footage, that shows these teams going up on the roof, was the footage of the first 22 seconds of the raid. As one team arrives at the window, three of the agents go into a room of the house through a window. No one is shooting at these agents at any time.

A lot of shooting can be heard from the ground where the rest of the ATF agents are. There is a small cut in the film as the agents climb into the window. One wonders why this cut was made. The fourth agent on the roof waits outside on the roof until these three agents are through the window and inside the house.

There is a "glitch" -- a missing piece of film -- at this point. Having examined the film, it is a poorly edited segment and there is a noticeable "jump" as the ATF agent on the roof moves from a prone position on the roof, to position himself at the window. The reason for the glitch isn't readily obvious, but investigation tells the story.

All of the Branch Davidians interviewed by Linda Thompson have said that a helicopter fired down into the roof of the house. Dick Deguerrin, the attorney who was allowed inside Mt. Carmel during the siege, is reported in Soldier of Fortune magazine, October 1993 issue, to have said that he saw the upstairs rooms and they looked like swiss cheese from the overhead gunfire. And in the "911 Tapes" released to the public, David Koresh and Wayne Martin can be heard talking about the helicopter shooting down at them and then, "Here it comes again, the helicopter's coming again."

And listening to the background noise on the film footage just before and after the "glitch" appears, a helicopter can quite clearly be heard as it gets closer and closer, then overhead. Then the cut in the film. The cut was made to cut out the sound of the helicopter firing down into the roof -- very likely firing down not only on the Branch Davidians inside the house, where the helicopter gunfire killed a nursing mother and two other people, but also down on the three ATF agents now inside the house.

After this cut in the film, the fourth ATF agent is seen at the window, his hand extended inside the window as if he has just tossed a grenade and there is a corresponding "boom" sound shortly afterwards, consistent with a concussion grenade. He then pulls back the curtain at the window and appears to fire into the room, twice, with his MP5 fully automatic rifle. At this point, someone inside the room begins to fire through the walls and holes appear in the walls. One bullet strikes the agent on the roof in the helmet and he falls to the ground, grabbing his head. He then quickly recovers and bolts down the ladder to the ground below. His only injury

comes when he misses the ladder rung and injures his knee.

Four agents were killed that day. The ATF released a diagram, depicting how the three agents who went in the window were killed. This appeared in the March 3, Dallas Morning News. In the April 5 edition of Newsweek, an anonymous agent was quoted as saying that agents had been killed by other agents' fire.

Shortly afterwards, an ATF Agent named Keith Constantino appeared on CNN and Current Affair to tell a tale that he was one of the three agents who went up on the roof (he never mentions there were actually four agents). He then claims that he was one of the three agents who went in that room. He claims that on entering the room, he and the other two agents took fire from two sides, that he ran out of bullets, jumped out the window, and down the ladder and that the other two agents were killed.

This story is easily shown to be a lie by watching the video, Waco, the Big Lie, because there are never any bullets fired inside that room until after the fourth agent on the roof throws a grenade into the room and it is the fourth agent who gets down the ladder -- and he never goes into the room at all.

Since the tape, "Waco, the Big Lie," was released, however, the ATF is now claiming that none of the agents who went in the room died (they are saying that none of the four dead agents went into the window, so presumably, the ATF is now claiming these same four men were killed elsewhere). The ATF claims that during the "glitch" in the film, all the agents who went into the room were fired upon and got out the window and down the ladder and the man we see on the roof is merely providing cover as the other three get down the ladder. Again, this is easily proven to be a lie because up until the point that the fourth agent is shown on the roof, no shots are fired inside that room, so he isn't providing "cover" for anything. Additionally, listening to the helicopter sounds in the background, it is clear that the "glitch" is no more than a very short duration, perhaps a minute.

Three of the four ATF agents who were killed that day were Clinton's bodyguards during his presidential campaign. The press failed to give this much attention, but it was Clinton himself who called attention to the fact. In Clinton's address to the Treasury on March 18, in the Cash Room, he said:

**"My prayers and I'm sure yours are still with the families of all four of the Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents who were killed in Waco -- Todd McKeehan and Conway Le Bleu of New Orleans; Steve Willis of Houston, and Robert Williams from my hometown of Little Rock. Three of those four were assigned to my security during the course of the primary or general election.**

## The United States "Pravda" Machine

Proving that the media was part and parcel of the full-blown lying and coverup at this

stage of the siege, the only segment of the initial raid film footage that was broadcast nationally showed just the shots of the agents entering the window, immediately followed by a very shortened version showing only the shots being fired from inside the house and the fourth agent falling down on the roof, ending with him lying on the roof (not showing that he went down the ladder) giving the impression he had been killed, along with a voice over that said the ATF met a "hail of gunfire" from the Branch Davidians.

The story grew and grew, overnight. By the next day, the ATF was claiming to have been "outgunned," and that the Branch Davidians "had been waiting for us."

And, also by the next day, the newspapers and television were spreading more of the "official truth." AP reported that "the cult's fortress, called Mount Carmel, is dominated by a tower with lookout windows facing in all directions. Guards reportedly patrol the 77-acre grounds at night." A cult fortress. What a picture that paints of what was, in fact, a wooden frame house, hand-made, that didn't even have insulation, only a masonite outer wall.

Later that day, the propaganda was in full bloom: "To tell you the truth, the thing that went through my mind is you've got a cult like Jonestown," Ralph Strother, an aide in the district attorney's office was quoted as saying in an Associated Press article. And as the siege continued, we heard various claims from the FBI that the ATF had "really" raided the Branch Davidians because they had heard the "Branch Davidians were planning a mass suicide like Jonestown." Even if these outlandish claims were true, the ATF has no jurisdiction over religion or planned suicides.

On March 7th, six days into the siege, 'Face the Nation' interviewed an ATF spokesman who replied, "no comment," when asked if any of the Branch Davidians had a gun-dealer license (FFL license) or a machine gun license. This was followed up quickly by a network ad for a "news" show coming up next week having to do with "the dangerous number of people getting FFL's and how alarmingly easy it is to get one."

The FBI later claimed that the Branch Davidians had been "planning to invade Waco." There was never so much as an iota of proof or substantiation for this claim presented, nor would the FBI have any jurisdiction over what would simply be a state crime if the Branch Davidians had, in fact, been planning to "invade Waco." Later, to justify the abuses heaped upon the Branch Davidians, the FBI claimed that a (seriously wounded) David Koresh was holding 89 adults and 17 children as "hostages" and that cutting off all utilities, shining bright, stadium and spotlights on the house 24 hours a day, and blaring sounds such as a dentist drill, rabbits being slaughtered, and Tibetan monk chants at the house were merely "negotiation techniques."

And even though it was the dead of winter and the FBI had cut off all the utilities to the house, Bob Ricks was quoted repeatedly saying, "Mr. Koresh has always kept his apartment fully air conditioned and heated. It's our understanding that he probably is the only one in the compound that is allowed that privilege," Ricks said.

One of the most overlooked stories that occurred on the first day of the siege surrounds Mike Schroeder, a Branch Davidian who had gone to work the morning of the raid, only to learn of the raid at work. On foot and unarmed, he left work, walking back to Mt. Carmel. He passed a roadblock of State troopers and spoke to them. He got as far as the Perry farm, some three hundred yards from the property line at Mt. Carmel, where he was shot seven times and his body left for days. Another man who had been with him was arrested and told the ATF that Mike Schroeder was left in the field, shot. This information appears in the indictment paperwork for Norman Allison, proving the ATF knew Mike Schroeder was shot on February 28 but left his body there. No one bothered to collect Mike's body or inform his family for several days. In the meantime, the FBI released a story to the press claiming that three men had tried to "shoot their way out" of Mt. Carmel and that one of them had been shot. More lies. But the truth was, a young man was shot down in cold blood and he wasn't even near the Mt. Carmel property, merely in the same neighborhood. And yes, this was in the United States of America, in Texas, not Somalia or Afghanistan.

### **FBI Confirms Weaver Snipers were also in Waco**

[Photograph: Federal Agents made turret holes and piled sandbags inside a barn behind the house at Mt. Carmel, where snipers positioned themselves to shoot Branch Davidians who ventured out of the house.]

The FBI has confirmed that both the sniper team and the assault team that were in Idaho during the siege on the Weaver family were sent to Mt. Carmel in Waco, Texas. Bill Cotter, FBI public affairs officer in Washington, D.C., confirmed that an advance team of agents from the Hostage Rescue Team of the FBI, headed by Dick Rogers, was sent to Waco, Texas on March 1, the day after the initial raid. This team was later joined by the entire 50 man contingent of FBI Hostage Rescue Team members and another 90 FBI SWAT team members from offices all over the United States.

There are 52 members of the Hostage Rescue Team, based out of Washington, D.C. The HRT is divided into two teams, either of which can perform the same functions. The Hostage Rescue Teams, based out of Washington, D.C., with 26 members in each team. Each of these teams has an assault squad and a sniper squad. The HRT has a wealth of military equipment, including C-5A cargo planes, tanks, and helicopters. Two of the black, unmarked helicopters, and two dark, nearly black, flat green helicopters, that were flown nearly continuously over the Mt. Carmel center, belong to the Hostage Rescue Team. All 52 members of the Hostage Rescue Team were in Idaho during the Ruby Creek Massacre and during the Waco Massacre. to Waco.

Garry Spence, Randy Weaver's attorney, skillfully cross examined members of the HRT, including Dick Rogers, Commander of the HRT, and Lon Horiuchi, during the Weaver trial, unmasking the cowboy cop mentality, incompetency and brutality of the FBI HRT. Readers may remember from the Weaver trial that Lon Horiuchi, an HRT sniper squad member, shot

and killed Vickie Weaver as she stood, armed only with a 10-month old baby, in the doorway of her home.

In Waco, the HRT was joined by another 90 members of FBI SWAT teams, highly trained tactical assault units, from all over the country, according to Bill Cotter. One of these units was the FBI Swat team from Alabama.

### Ann Richards, Traitor of Texas

Ann Richards authorized the use of the U.S. Army tanks, helicopters, jeeps, humvees, and other equipment that was used against the Branch Davidians.

Federal Law, Title 18, United States Code, Section 1385, absolutely forbids the use of military against United States citizens and provides for a term of imprisonment and a fine:

"Whoever, except in cases and under circumstances expressly authorized by the Constitution or Act of Congress, willfully uses any part of the Army or the Air Force as a posse comitatus or otherwise to execute the laws shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned not more than two years, or both." 18 U.S.C. § 1385

To get around this law, the ATF and Ann Richards both claimed initially that the tanks were authorized under another law, the Drug Interdiction Act, Title 32, United States Code, Section 112, which allows the use of National Guard equipment for drug interdiction activities.

Relevant portions of that law are shown below. It is plain that even when national guard are authorized to be used as "law enforcement", it can only be when they are not called up by federal authorities, and only under the very strict limitations of a plan, written in advance, and and they must be requested by the governor of the state. This plan must be drafted once each year and submitted to the Secretary of Defense.

"(b) Plan requirements. A plan referred to in subsection (a) shall--

(1) specify how personnel of the National Guard of that State are to be used in drug interdiction and counter-drug activities;

(2) certify that those operations are to be conducted at a time when the personnel involved are not in Federal service; and

(3) certify that participation by National Guard personnel in those operations is service in addition to annual training required under section 502 of this title.

"(c) Examination of plan.

(1) Before funds are provided to the Governor of a State under this section, the Secretary of Defense shall examine the adequacy of the plan submitted by the Governor under subsection (b).

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3), the Secretary shall carry out paragraph (1) in consultation with the Director of National Drug Control Policy. . . .

"(d) Statutory construction. Nothing in this section shall be construed as a limitation on the authority of any unit of the National Guard of a State, when such unit is not in Federal service, to perform law enforcement functions authorized to be performed by the National Guard by the laws of the State concerned. . . .

(f) Definitions. For purposes of this section:

(1) The term "counter-drug activities" includes the use of National Guard personnel, while not in Federal service, in any law enforcement activities authorized by State and local law and requested by the Governor."

32 U.S.C. § 112 (1992), Drug interdiction and counter-drug activities.

So no matter who explains it or how it is explained, the tanks that were brought into Mt. Carmel were brought there illegally, remained there illegally for 51 days, and were finally used to murder what remained of the Branch Davidians on April 19, 1993. In a letter to one of the thousands of people who have written to Ann Richards to protest the invasion of Texas by federal agents, Ann Richards replied that she had "no control over federal government agents." Someone needs to educate Ann Richards (and the governor of Idaho, too) about State sovereignty and the right of a governor to throw federal agents out of the state. Too little, too late, perhaps, but it isn't too late to wake up the governors of the other 48 states, and the state police, too.