The Assassination of JFK



The assassination of John F. Kennedy, the thirty-fifth President of the United States, took place on Friday, November 22, 1963, in Dallas, Texas, at 12:30 p.m. Central Standard Time.



SHOCKED WORLD MOURNS KENNEDY ASSASSINATION

Lyndon Johnson Is Now President; Suspect Charged



'My God, They're Shooting At Him'

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President Lyndon B. Johnson Takes The Oath Of Office

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The Nation Reels With Grief

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NOVEMBER 22, 1963

President Kennedy Assassination Facts:

JFK was in Dallas, TX on 11/22/63.

He was campaigning in the city that day.

His motorcade proceeded through the city and he was fatally shot in Dealey Plaza near the end of his motorcade route.

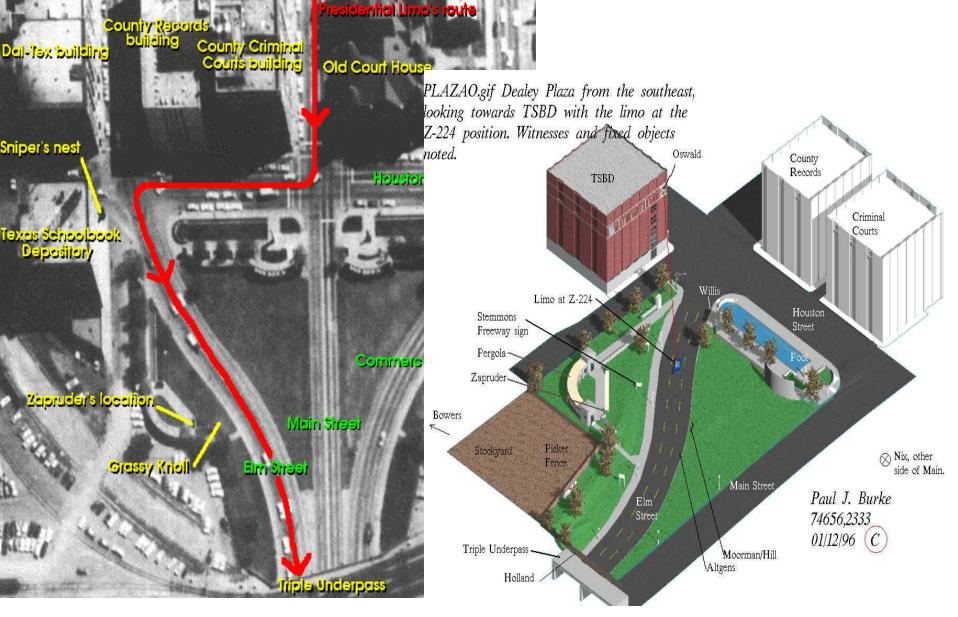
His wife, Jacqueline Kennedy and Governor of Texas, John Connally were in the limousine with him.







Dealey Plaza



The Texas School Book Depository

- When the Presidential limousine turned and passed the Texas School Book Depository and continued down Elm Street, shots were fired at Kennedy.
- The Dallas police sealed off the entrances to the Texas School Book Depository as eyewitnesses professed hearing shots coming from that general direction.
- Upon investigation of the building a shooting area (now referred to as the snipers nest) was found and later linked to Lee Harvey Oswald



The Sniper's Nest



LBJ Sworn Into Office



Aboard Air Force One, Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson is sworn in as President of the United States. To the left is his wife, and to the right still stunned by what happened is Mrs. Kennedy in her blood stained Chanel suit.

lee Harvey Oswald

Lee Harvey Oswald was, according to three government investigations, the assassin of U.S. President John F. Kennedy, November 22, 1963.

Oswald's Suspicious Background:

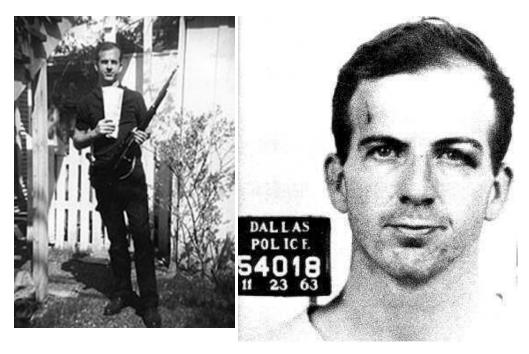
A United States Marine who defected to the Soviet Union and later returned.

Oswald was a **Pro-Castro Supporter**.

Oswald on November 22, 1963:

Oswald was arrested on suspicion of killing Dallas police officer J. D. Tippit

Oswald becomes a prime Suspect:



The police found his **Sniper's Nest** as they searched the Texas School Book Depository

As he was about to be taken to the Dallas County Jail, Oswald was **shot and fatally wounded** before live television cameras in the basement of Dallas Police Headquarters by **Jack Ruby**, a Dallas nightclub operator who said that he had been distraught over the Kennedy assassination.



Lee Harvey Oswald

Officer JD Tippit

Jack Ruby



Ruby's Mug shot

Ruby fatally Shooting Oswald

Jack Leon Rubenstein, who legally changed his name to Jack Leon Ruby in 1947, was an American nightclub operator in Dallas, Texas was convicted on March 14, 1964, of the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald on November 24, 1963, two days after Oswald was arrested for the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. While in jail, he became ill and died of lung cancer on January 3, 1967.



Oswald's Funeral

- The cost of the funeral was \$710.00.
- Buried at Rose Hill Cemetery.
- Secret Service was in attendance.



GRAVE AND WILLOW TREE so carefully tended by the nother of Lee Harvey Oswald, Mrs. Marguerite Oswald.

FUNERAL DIRECTOR GROODY prepares to lower coffin. Shortly afterward, Marina made sign of cross with hand full of dirt, which surprised Mrs. Oswaid. She and Robert followed suit.

The President's Funeral



November 25, 1963

- His final journey was from St. Matthew's to Arlington Cemetery.
- Just as the 1960's debate changed politics, so did JFK's funeral as it was watched by millions of Americans on television.
- The most famous photo of JFK's son saluting his casket as he says goodbye to his father one last time.



Inside the Assassination Photos

SOME OF YOU MIGHT NOT LIKE THE SEE THESE PHOTOS, IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO, THAT IS FINE. HOWEVER, THESE ARE ACTUAL PHOTOS OF JFK'S AUTOPSY. THEY MIGHT BE HELPFUL LATER ON IN CLASS.



"I have a piece of his brain in my hand."

"My God, they have shot his head off."

"I want them to see what they have done to my husband."

-All Quotes from Mrs. Kennedy



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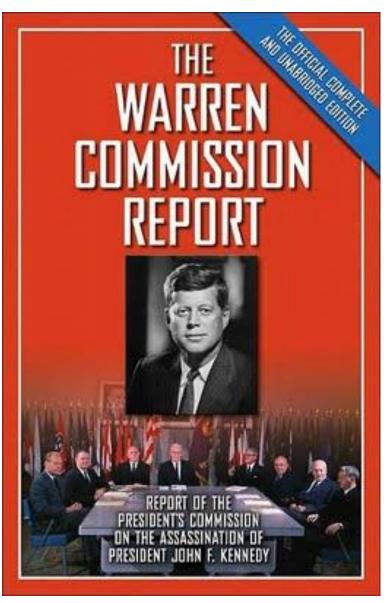




The Autopsy

- Conflicting testimony about the autopsy performed on President Kennedy's body.
 - Particularly as to when the examination of the president's brain took place.
 - Who was present and whether or not the photos submitted as evidence are the same as those taken during the examination. (exit wound in the front or back of head?)
- However, while the President's autopsy was underway at Bethesda Naval Hospital, federal agents removed the X-rays of the body from custody of the examining doctors. Though the X-rays undoubtedly would have been valuable in determining trajectories of the bullets hitting the President, and thus the shooter's location, they are neither published nor alluded to in the Warren Report.

The Warren Commission Report



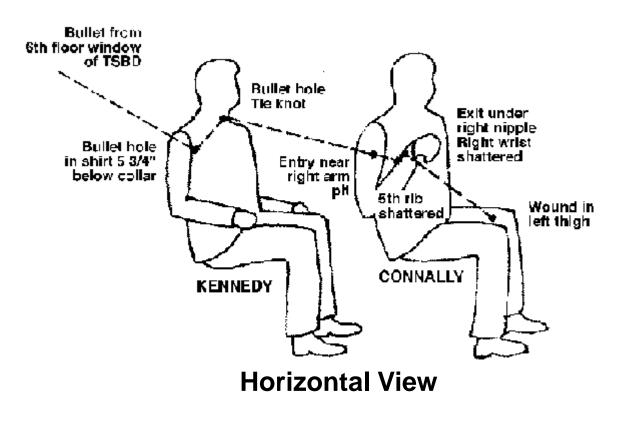
The conclusion of the Warren Commission Report on the JFK Assassination was:

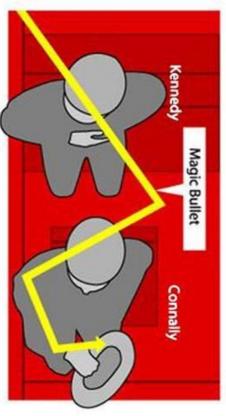
Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in the killing of Kennedy and the wounding of Texas Governor John Connally.

In the years following the release of its report and 26 investigatory evidence volumes in 1964, the Warren Commission has been frequently criticized for some of its methods, important omissions, and conclusions.

SINGLE BULLET THEORY

According to the single-bullet theory, a three-centimeter-long copperjacketed lead-core 6.5-millimeter rifle bullet fired from the sixth floor of the Texas School Book Depository passed through President Kennedy's neck and Governor Connally's chest and wrist and embedded itself in the Governor's thigh.





From above

SINGLE BULLET THEORY RE-ENACTMENT

- Bullet fired from 6th floor of TSBD entered 5.75" BELOW President Kennedy's collar and through his neck.
- From his neck it passed through Governor Connelly's chest/right armpit.
- From his chest/armpit area, it exited by his nipple and into his RIGHT wrist.
- And from his **RIGHT wrist**, the bullet landed in the Governor's LEFT thigh.

The "Magic Bullet" or Commission Exhibit 399.



Investigation Reopened

United States House of Representatives Select Committee on Assassinations (HSCA) was established in 1976 to investigate the John F. Kennedy assassination.

In its final report in 1979, it concluded that President John F. Kennedy was assassinated by Lee Harvey Oswald, *probably as a result of a conspiracy*. The members of this probable conspiracy were not identified.



- Oswald fired THREE shots at JFK. Shots 2 and 3 hit him, shot 3 killed him.
- Scientific acoustical evidence gives high probability of at least two gunmen fired.
- Assassinated as a result of a conspiracy. But they would not say whom.
 - They did say who was not involved: Soviets, Castro/Anti-Castro groups, Mafia, Secret Service, F.B.I, and C.I.A. were NOT involved in the conspiracy

HSCA Findings

But what about the Grassy Knoll???



THE GRASSY KNOLL

The *grassy knoll* of Dealey Plaza is a small, sloping hill inside the plaza that became famous following the John F. Kennedy assassination.





Of the 104 *earwitness* reports published by the HCSA Commission and elsewhere, 35 recorded testimony of shots from the direction of the grassy knoll.

Mannlicher-Carcano Rifle







Clockwise from Top Left: Carcano bolt action rifle. The bullets that were taken from JFK during autopsy. A shell casing from the murder weapon.

Assassination Conspiracy Theories

There are many conspiracy theories regarding who was behind the assassination of John F. Kennedy on November 22, 1963 that arose soon after his death and continue to be promoted today. Some of these include:

CIA

KGB

American Mafia

FBI director J. Edgar Hoover

Former Vice President Richard Nixon

Sitting Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson

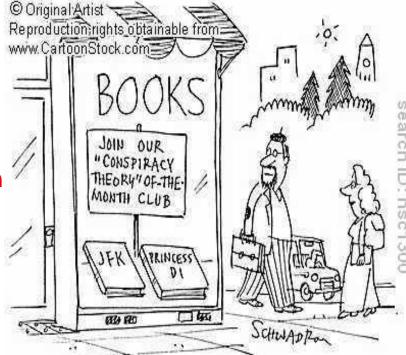
Cuban president Fidel Castro

Anti-Castro Cuban exile groups

The Federal Reserve

The military-industrial complex

Representatives of Big Business



or some combination of those entities and individuals

Do we have time for all of these? I wish, but for now, you be the judge. I have provided the information of the assassination. You can be the conspiracy theorist! Check them out for yourself!