

PARKLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

ADMISSION NOTE

DATE AND HOUR:

Nov 22, 1963

DOCTOR:

Note of Attendance to President Kennedy

I was contacted at approx 12:40 that the President was on the way to the emergency room having been shot. On arrival there, I found an unresponsive patient in a supine position, a left chest tube had inserted & sutures being placed in one leg & in the left arm. The President had a wound in the mid of the neck. On first examination of the wound were the 1st, 2nd & 3rd cervical vertebrae were missing & the brain was lying on the table, with extensive maceration & destruction. The pupils were fixed & dilated laterally & bilaterally. No pulse was detectable & respirations were (as noted) being supplied. A tracheostomy was performed by Dr. Berg & I, & a chest tube inserted into the Rt. Chest (2nd intercostal space). Meanwhile 2 pint of O neg blood was administered by pump & response. When all of the measures were complete, no heart beat could be detected. Close chest massage was performed with a cardiograph, could be attached, which showed no cardiac activity was obtained. Due to extensive & irreparable brain damage, which was lethal, no further attempt to resuscitate the heart was made.