Dallas Lawman Says:

Saw Oswald Run Down

Grassy Slope

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 15 (IPI) — Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison turned the conspiracy trial of Clay L. Shaw into a "Little Warren Commission" yesterday with a witness whose testimony was rejected by the Warren Commission.

The witness, a Dallas deputy sheriff at the time

of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, und the Shaw jury he saw Lee Harvey Oswald running down a slope at the scene of the assassination 15 minutes after the fatal shots were fired.

The Warren Commission's report said the Com-

mission "could not accept important elements of koger J. Craig's testimony."

The trial of the 55-year-old former businessman today entered its 23d day, and eighth day of testimony, with the all-male jury sitting in effect as a "little Warren Commission" on testimony concerning Mr. Kennedy's assassination in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963.

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The entire court day yesterday was devoted to testimony about the Kennedy murder, as the state tried to "overprove" its case by going into Dealey Plaza in Dallas where the murder occurred. Mr. Shaw does not have to have been there to be convicted of conspiracy.

The state has presented testimony he was on the West Coast when Mr. Kennedy was killed. This was in support of one of the overt-act charges — that he went there to set up an alibi, in accord with the conspiracy master plan.

Mr. Craig said he had identified Oswald as the man he saw running down a slope at the scene about 15 minutes after the fatal shots were fired. Mr. Craig said Oswald escaped in a green station wagon.

Mr. Craig said that when Oswald was in custody next day at Dallas police headquarters he identified him as the man in the station wagon and Oswald told police: "I told you people I did."

He said Oswald told homicide Capt. Will Fritz:
"The station wagon belongs to Mrs. Paine (Oswald's wife's friend) — Don't drag her into this."
Then, Mr. Craig said; "He leaned back in his chair and said, Everybody will know who I am

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An FBI photographic expert testified from a movie of the murder that the fragments from Mr. Kennedy's skull as the bullet struck were going forward. This, he said indicated the shot came from the rear, as the Commission held.

But the state counteracted this with testimony from Mrs. Philip L. Willis, who was standing close enough to the Kennedy limousine to see that his head "exploded like a red halo" and that "matter of some type from his head" streaked "back — to his left."

Mr. Garrison has said he will prove the fatal shot was from the front and has produced the film to show the President's body snapping backward when the bullet hit. Mrs. Willis, too, said Mr. Kennedy's head "went back, and to the left."

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