

Lane Protests FBI Harassment To the Warren Commission

NEW YORK. — Mark Lane, Chairman of the Citizens' Committee of Inquiry, which is conducting an independent investigation into the facts surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy, on May 4 released charges that he has filed with the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy (Warren Commission).

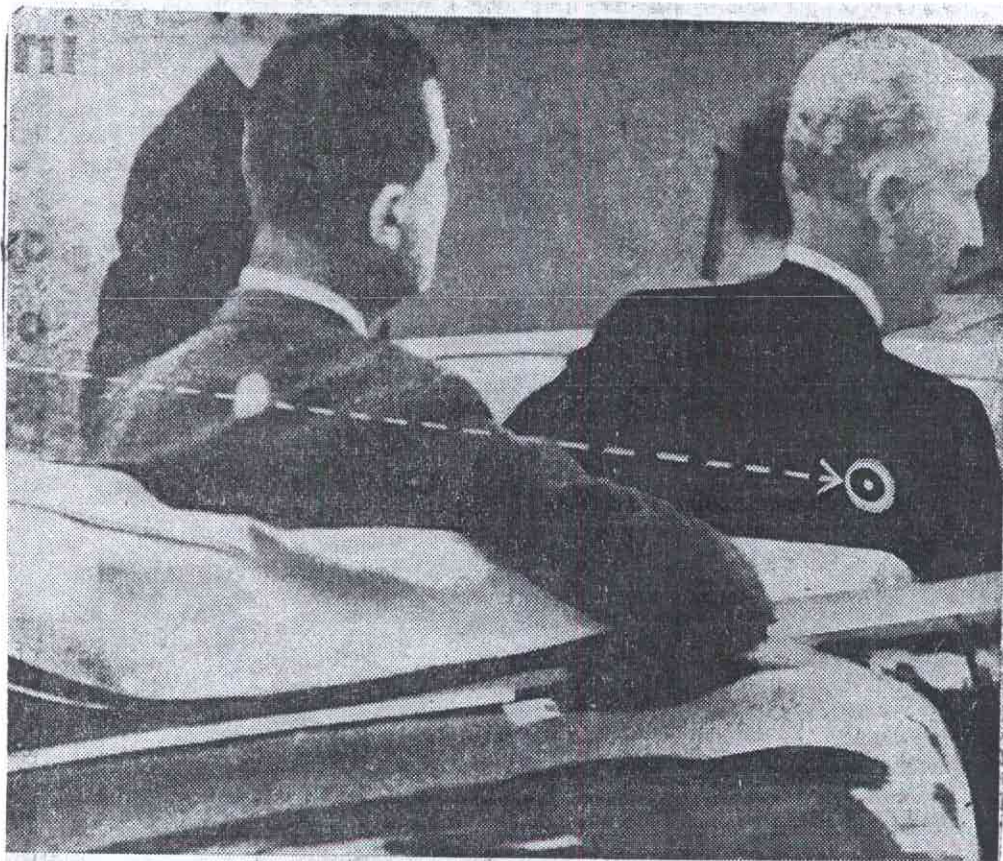
In a letter sent to the commission on April 29, 1964, Lane stated that he was accosted by two FBI agents on that date as he was leaving his home. He charged they prevented him from proceeding and, in a loud tone, demanded that he turn over to them documents in his possession which, they alleged, Lane had secured from the FBI files. The FBI agents stated that they knew when Lane was to arrive in New York, FBI representatives have conceded that agents have been assigned to follow Lane on lecture tours when he addresses various college audiences throughout the United States regarding the facts surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy.

Lane also charged in the letter to the Warren Commission that a

Secret Service agent "deliberately planted a false story" on Feb. 10. The story made reference to an "eye-witness, a Negro janitor" who allegedly saw Oswald fire the murder weapon from the Book Depository Building in Dallas. Lane said that the Secret Service agent who "deliberately planted" that false lead is named Mike Howard and that the story was given to Thayer Waldo, a reporter for the *Fort Worth Star Telegram*.

Called for Inquiry

Lane called upon the Warren Commission to conduct an investigation into the harassment by agents of the FBI and the false planting of a news story, which was widely circulated throughout the United States. Lane stated that he would repeat all of his charges under oath before the commission should it conduct such an investigation. He stated that he assumed that the commission would be interested in knowing the origins of a false story released by the Secret Service since the commission has indicated that it is relying upon the accuracy of the Secret Service in preparing its report.



FIRST BULLET HIT BOTH?—This picture, made last Sunday during re-enactment of President John F. Kennedy's assassination, shows unidentified FBI men with markings on their clothing indicating first bullet from slayer's gun traveled through Mr. Kennedy and hit Texas Gov. John Connally sitting in front of car.