

Photos Reveal New Evidence, Garrison Says ^{Stab's I am}

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Photographs which he said show an official picking up one of the bullets used to kill President John F. Kennedy have been produced by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison. He said the bullet was never shown to the Warren Commission.

"This is just another instance," said Garrison, "of the pattern of deception by the federal government in which evidence has been systematically concealed or destroyed."

BUT, HE SAID, "the fraudulent activity of federal agencies and officials is here exposed by those photographs." In a press release submitted with the photographs, the source of the pictures was not mentioned.

The man purportedly picking up the bullet was "obviously holding official investigative status," Garrison said. He said the man was said to have been observed by a Dallas police officer and deputy sheriff.

In another picture, Garrison said, the official has become aware of the photographer and has turned his head away, "but it can be seen that he is now holding the bullet clenched in his left hand."

GARRISON SAID dark splotches on the ground in the pictures are pieces of matter from President Kennedy's head. A large portion of the president's skull was subsequently found near the scenes of the pictures, said the DA.

The district attorney said, "Our inquiry into the status of this official picking up the bullet has indicated that he is apparently an investigative agent of the federal government — employed either by the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the Secret Service."

A SIGN-CLOCK on the top of the Texas Book Depository, visible in the background of one picture, reads 12:40. Kennedy was shot at 12:30 p.m.

"These photographs indicate," Garrison said, "that long before the fraudulent announcement describing Harvey Lee Oswald as the lone assassin, the federal government had to know that this large caliber bullet was used in the assassination. Consequently, the federal government had to know . . . there had to be a number of individuals firing at the president."



DISTRICT ATTORNEY Jim Garrison released this photograph. He said it shows an unnamed official picking up a bullet which the district attorney identified as the one which killed President Kennedy in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

Lane Challenges LBJ To Open Kennedy Files

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Author Mark Lane, a critic of the Warren Commission, today urged that President Lyndon B. Johnson make all evidence in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy available to competent investigators.

Lane, speaking before the Young Men's Business Club at the Roosevelt Hotel, said the government's silence on questions about the assassination now "is tantamount to complicity."

LANE SAID "if you want a full-fledged open society again, you must do something about it."

"I urge you to pass a motion here today urging the President to make available all of the evidence now locked away in the archives."

Francis Richardson, a member of the YMBC board of directors, made the motion and it was seconded. This action caused a heated argument which was finally resolved with the motion being referred to the YMBC's American Independence Bureau for further study.

WHEN LANE made his request for the motion, the action drew a loud protest from Edward S. Butler, who jumped up and demanded that there be a "full disclosure" of Mark Lane's background. He was not permitted by the chair to continue his remarks, however.

YMBC officials said that at a later date Butler and Lane will meet for a debate.

MARK LANE'S TALK OPEN TO PUBLIC

More than one million copies of "Rush to Judgment" have been sold, and when its author, Mark Lane, spoke to Young Men's Business Club last March, he attracted an audience of 700.

So many YMBCians (and friends) asked for a return engagement that Mark Lane is talking at noon today in University Room of the Roosevelt Hotel. For reservations to hear him (it's open to the public) phone 525-0747. Lane brought along his wife, Anne Lise, native of Denmark, and their huge collie watch dog, Sean. *end*

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Long Reaffirms Support of DA In Plot Probe

U.S. Sen. Russell B. Long, D-La., siding with District Attorney Jim Garrison, said in a public address that he believes the Warren Commission erred in naming Lee Harvey Oswald as the lone assassin of President John F. Kennedy.

Long reaffirmed his support of the DA's investigation of the probe.

"It seems to me that anyone who would read what Mr. Garrison had to say on the subject—and I've read quite a bit of it—and read how he marshalls his evidence, read the article that appeared in the Saturday Evening Post and some of the others, would just have to conclude that the Warren Report is necessarily in error," Long said.

Long was asked if he has analyzed Garrison's new theory: That the President was struck down with a .45 caliber bullet from a manhole in Dallas. "All I know about it is the very concise newspaper accounts that I read of what Mr. Garrison was supposed to have said recently," he said.

The senator referred to an article published recently by the Post, which concluded that there was more than one assassin in Dallas.

"Personally, I was very much impressed by that article which was parallel to what Mr. Garrison is saying," Long said. "I don't think I see any conflict between what the author of that article said and what Mr. Garrison is saying.

"I think Mr. Garrison is doing his duty and trying to really find out who that other person might have been—or those other persons."

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Kohn Due Jan. 15

The Louisiana Supreme Court has set a Jan. 15 hearing on the contempt case of Metropolitan Crime Commission Director Aaron M. Kohn, whom the court had earlier released from Parish Prison.

Kohn was released yesterday afternoon after sharing a cell with what he identified as three mice. He was jailed Thursday night after being held in contempt of court by Criminal District Judge Matthew S. Braniff for refusing to reveal the name of an informant.

FIVE ASSOCIATE justices of the Supreme Court ordered Judge Braniff to answer the two following questions:

1. Were the district attorney and the trial judge lawfully entitled to compel Kohn to testify in view of the fact that the Supreme Court's order of Dec. 11 in the same controversy had not become final?
2. Are the claims of Kohn that he is protected by the Fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and pertinent provisions of the state Constitution without merit?

Judge Braniff had jailed Kohn after he had refused to disclose the identity of an informant. Kohn termed his refusal "a matter of trust and integrity."

Kohn was told by Judge Braniff that he would remain in his cell until he agreed to give the Orleans Parish Grand Jury the information it wanted.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY Jim Garrison and Kohn have been battling since the private anti-crime commission reported that there is organized crime in New Orleans.

Garrison called the commission report false and opened an investigation of the commission which resulted in demands for confidential data.

Kohn said while jailed: "I have in effect been sentenced to the rest of my life in prison unless I expose an informant to a vicious prosecutor with a clear record of trying to hurt anyone who helps prove organized crime—which Garrison denies

exists.

Kohn said that three mice kept him company in jail, occasionally trotting across his mattress.

THE CRIME commission director said he thought Gov. John J. McKeithen "should be involved in the issue as a whole. "I think the governor has stated in the past he doesn't want to cross swords with Mr. Garrison," said Kohn. "That was before he was reelected."

He may feel differently now.

Kohn said releasing confidential information would ruin the crime commission's effectiveness. He added that the district attorney "puts on a show" instead of doing a good job.

The Supreme Court's action marked the second time it stepped into the case. The court had earlier ruled that a subpoena ordering the commission to produce all confidential records Monday was too broad.

Kohn spent 10 days in jail in 1955 for refusing to name commission informants. *end*

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To Rebut Charges

Charles A. Ward, chief assistant district attorney, will address the Federation Key Men Jan. 5 at the Holsum Cafeteria to answer accusations made by an officer of the Metropolitan Crime Commission.

It was charged recently by E. C. Upton Jr., president of the Crime Commission, in a talk to the Key Men, that organized crime exists in New Orleans despite the contention of District Attorney Jim Garrison that it does not.

After publication of Upton's remarks, Ward wrote the Key Men asking for an opportunity to answer the allegations.

MCC Denies Suspect Put Under Watch

The Metropolitan Crime Commission today denied charges by the district attorney's office that it attempted "to conduct a surveillance" of the lakefront residence of Eugene Nolan, one of 22 persons indicted by a New York grand jury on gambling charges.

The MCC's executive committee said the DA office's statement is an attempt "to delude our community by prepared deliberate falsehood."

Nolan, who resides at 1700 Lakeshore dr., was arrested Monday by investigators of the DA's office following his indictment by the Nassau County N. Y., grand jury in what Nassau DA William Cahn termed a \$100 million-a-year bookmaking operation.

CAHN CALLED Nolan one of the "biggest bookmakers in the country."

At the time of the arrest, the DA's office charged that the investigation and arrest in New Orleans "were jeopardized by recent irresponsible statements and actions" by MCC managing director Aaron M. Kohn.

"The Metropolitan Crime Commission in attempting to conduct a surveillance . . . tipped Nolan to the fact that his house was under surveillance when on Thursday of last week one of its investigators was physically seized by Nolan in the very act of keeping his house under surveillance with binoculars," the DA's office said.

SAID THE MCC today:

"We deny that any MCC investigator or other representative has engaged in surveillance of the residence or other location used by convicted gambler Eugene Nolan.

"We deny that any representative or agent of the MCC was seized by Nolan in the very act of keeping his house under surveillance with binoculars."

The MCC's executive committee said it demands that chief assistant DA Charles R. Ward "produce evidence to support his statements . . ."

THE MCC further charged

that assistant District Attorneys Richard Burnes, James Alcock and Numa Bertel "were directly responsible for disclosing publicly Mr. Kohn's testimony in the secrecy of the grand jury room, concerning his knowledge that Nolan was currently engaged in gambling operations in New Orleans."

Nolan's name figured last week in the jailing of Kohn for contempt of the grand jury. Kohn was freed the following day by the Louisiana Supreme Court.