

# In New Orleans, JFK's Death Re-enacted...

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NEW ORLEANS — Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison, turning the Clay L. Shaw trial to the actual assassination of President John F. Kennedy, showed for the first time publicly yesterday a one-minute film of the killing while jurors and spectators moaned and gasped.

"Oh, my God!" said one of the audience as the film by Dallas dress manufacturer Abraham Zapruder showed Kennedy fall forward, appear to pitch, and then get hit by the fatal shot.

"I was running around asking, 'they shot him, they shot him! They killed him!'" Zapruder testified after the film was shown. He sold the

film strip to Life magazine after the assassination and Garrison subpoenaed it for Shaw's trial on charges of conspiring to kill Kennedy.

Garrison made another of his rare courtroom appearances — his second of the Shaw trial — to personally call the turn as the prosecution finished its testimony about an alleged plot involving Shaw in New Orleans and switched to the Nov. 22, 1963, assassination in Dallas.

The defense objected that the assassination was irrelevant to the issue, but Dist. Judge Edward A. Haggerty Jr. said the prosecution had a right to "overprove" its case. Prosecutors also put Dal-

las County Surveyor Robert H. West on the stand. He testified he heard four explosions — not three — when Kennedy was shot.

West said he thought the first two were motorcycle backfires, recognized the third as a gunshot and located the fourth as coming from the "northwest quadrant" of Dealey Plaza.

Both the Texas School Book Depository building, where the Warren Commission says three shots came from, and the famous "grassy knoll" which some police originally thought was the source of the firing, are in the northwest quadrant. Shaw is accused of conspiring with Lee Harvey Os-

wald and David W. Ferrie in 1963 to kill Kennedy, and is not charged with involvement in the actual assassination.

But Garrison had indicated earlier he might use the trial to present the "real facts" which he says Federal officials from former President Lyndon B. Johnson on down have concealed and the Warren Commission missed.

The Commission concluded that Oswald alone killed Kennedy, firing three shots from the Depository building. Garrison contends there was a conspiracy involved, more than one person did the shooting, and Oswald did not fire the fatal shot.

West said when he heard the first and second reports, "my response was motorcycle backfire."

"What was your response to the third?" Asst. Dist. Atty. William Alford asked him. "Rifle," West said. "During the fourth event were you able to say where it came from?"

"The sound came from the northwest quadrant of Dealey Plaza," West said. "There were several men behind the wooden stockade fence at the north end of the grassy knoll."

Under cross-examination, West conceded he could be "mistaken" about whether there were exactly four explosions.

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