

Garrison Expert Denies Evidence of Cross-Fire

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Prosecution's Witness Says Pictures
Indicate Fatal Shot Came From Rear

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—
Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's
own expert witness, called
in an attempt to prove
that President John F.
Kennedy was killed in a
cross fire, testified Friday
at the Clay L. Shaw conspiracy
trial that evidence
indicated the only shots
that hit Mr. Kennedy
came from the rear.

Garrison's prosecutors,
over repeated defense objections,
ran a movie of Mr. Kennedy's
assassination for the fourth
time in two days and questioned
an FBI agent about it. Shaw,
55, is charged with conspiring
with Lee Harvey Oswald and
David W. Ferrie to kill Mr.
Kennedy. Both Oswald and
Ferrie are dead.

Contends Involvement

Garrison contends Shaw
was involved in a New Orleans-
hatched plot to kill Mr. Kennedy
and that the President was hit
by bullets fired from different
directions. The Warren Commission
said it could find no credible
evidence of a conspiracy and
said the shots were fired from
a single location.

Special agent Lyndal L. Shaneyfelt,
a document and photographic expert
for the FBI, testified he had
examined extensively and minutely
the Abraham Zapruder film of the
shooting in Dallas on Nov. 22,
1963.

On direct examination,
Shaneyfelt was not asked his
opinion about the direction of
fire, but instead was asked
about omissions in making certain lateral

angle measurements—the purpose
of which was not explained by
Asst. Dist. Atty. Alvin Oser.

But on cross-examination
by defense attorney F. Irvin
Dymond, Shaneyfelt testified
he considered all evidence
available.

Question — Based on your
examination, have you found
any photographic evidence to
indicate that the shots that
hit President Kennedy came
from any direction other than
his right rear?

Answer—I did not.

Shaneyfelt said he examined
enlarged prints of the fatal
shot that exploded the right
side of Mr. Kennedy's head.

"The fragments you see
streaking through the air are
going forward from a vertical
line drawn through the
President's head," he said.

See Backward Fall

"My impression from that
photograph is that the shot
came from the rear." Shaneyfelt
said he did not take into
consideration the movement
of Mr. Kennedy's body at the
instant of impact. In the
home movie of the assassination,
Mr. Kennedy's head appears
to snap upwards, backward
and to the left from a
leaning-forward position.

This is the film of which
Garrison said in his opening
statement to the jury: "You
will be able to see him (Mr.
Kennedy) fall backward as
the fatal shot strikes him
from the front—not the back."
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