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Re: Notes on the Single Bullet Theory

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Gary Shaw opened the panel discussion with this quote; "Most ridiculous absurd, fictional theory." Three Warren Commission members, Cooper, Boggs, and Russell dissented, but signed the report under pressure. Governor Connolly was/is adamant that he was not hit by the same bullet that hit President Kennedy..Allen Dulles is quoted saying, "We can print this because people don't read."

In the Dec., 1963 edition of Life magazine, Paul Lindell said, "The Zapruder film shows JFK turning around in the car, exposing his throat to the TSBD. Unfortunately, the writer for Life died in 1968, and once the Zapruder film was made public, it was too late to ask him why he wrote this phony version.

Larry Harris was next to continue the panel discussion. He stated that even Arlen Specter believed that the American people would never accept this theory. Mr. Harris submitted that the bullet found on the stretcher at Parkland was not the one presented later as CE 399. He concluded his presentation with the statement that Drs. Humes and Finck did not believe the single bullet theory.

Dr. Cyril Wecht continued the panel presentation with a discussion of the three medical scientific reasons why the single bullet theory cannot be true: 1) weight. The bullet weighed 161 grains in its pristine shape. It was weighed in at 158.6 grains, thus, it lost 2.5 grains in its path of making seven wounds. The fragments found in JFK and Governor Connolly were more than what the bullet lost. 2) Condition of the bullet. A slight disformation at the base of the bullet. The government's own tests show total destruction of bullets shot into cadavers, wrists, and goat skin. 3) Trajectory. Dr. Wecht states that the bullet had to "do things" through JFK and the Governor. He submits that bullet had to go down, up, down, turn right, turn left, go down, etc.

Jim Moore completed the panel discussion. Of course, Mr. Moore supports the lone gunman conclusion, and believes the Warren Commission. He rested his confidence in the "majic bullet" by referring to Dr. Lattimer's findings.

At this point, Dr. Wecht had a statement with respect to Dr. Lattimer. "You don't see any forensic pathologists out there talking about single bullet theory; you don't see any of my colleagues from the HSCA talking about it either; so if they want to stick with their piss doctor....." At this point, I lost the remainder, due to laughter and applause.

This panel's discussion ended with discussion of Dr. Guinn's findings that the fragments from 399 and fragments from Governor Connolly were the same. A discussion of the chain of possession of the fragments was reviewed. The question remains, did Dr. Guinn get the original fragment or did he get fragments taken off 399 later on??