



CAPITOL NEWS

CAPITOL RELEASING "THE CONTROVERSY"; STUDY OF KENNEDY ASSASSINATION; WARREN REPORT

HOLLYWOOD -- Capitol Records is rush-releasing on Jan. 6, "The Controversy," an hour-long, in-depth audio study of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, the Warren Reporter and the subsequent controversy.

The album, which is being released in the label's "Probe" documentary/news series, contains a number of news "firsts" not previously presented via other communications media, including:

1. An interview with Jack Ruby, accused murderer of Lee Harvey Oswald;
2. actual voices and statements of eye-witnesses to the assassination who support the "second-assassin" theory;
3. critics and advocates of the Warren Report heard face-to-face for the first time;
4. personal descriptions of the assassination and its aftermath by members of the late President's Dallas motorcade.

In announcing the release of the album, Alan W. Livingston, President, Capitol Records, Inc. stated:



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"A number of months ago, we at Capitol determined to apply the techniques of audio journalism to the most controversial news event of our day, the assassination of President Kennedy. Journalist Lawrence Schiller was assigned as producer. He traveled over eleven thousand miles to tape interviews with many different participants in the tragic events of November, 1963. The results of Mr. Schiller's work have gone far beyond our original expectations. In my opinion, the album constitutes perhaps the most startling and dramatic audio documentary ever produced.

"The album is not only a fascinating listening experience, but it is proof, I think, that recordings can be as valid a medium of contemporary news coverage as any newspaper, magazine or TV report. In our view, the album itself is a news event, a capsule of living history."

"THE CONTROVERSY" is the third in Capitol's "Probe" series. Previously released were "LSD," a study of the current psychedelic drug controversy; and "WHY DID LENNY BRUCE DIE?" an inquiry into the troubled life and tragic death of the late comedian.

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VOICES INCLUDED IN THE CAPITOL ALBUM "THE CONTROVERSY"

President John F. Kennedy

Congressman Gerald Ford of Michigan -- Member, President's Commission
on the Assassination of President
Kennedy

Mark Lane -- author of "Rush to Judgement" and witness before the Warren
Commission

Wesley J. Liebeler -- Assistant Counsel, President's Commission on the
Assassination of John F. Kennedy

Edward J. Epstein -- author of "Inquest"

Father Oscar Huber -- The Priest who administered last rites to the
President

Penn Jones, Jr. -- Author of "Forgive My Grief"; editor of the Midlothian
Mirror Newspaper

Jack Ruby -- Accused murderer of Lee Harvey Oswald

Shirley Martin -- Investigator

Lee Harvey Oswald -- Alleged assassin of John F. Kennedy

Harold Weisberg -- author of "Whitewash"

Eyewitnesses to the President's Assassination:

Congressman Earle Cabell of Texas -- former Dallas Mayor and one of those
in the President's motorcade

Charles Brehm -- The man closest to the President's car at the time of the
assassination and never called as
witness by the Warren Commission

Mrs. Earle Cabell

Malcolm J. Kilduff -- Assistant Press Secretary to John F. Kennedy and an
eyewitness

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Eyewitnesses to the President's Assassination (cont..)

Orville O. Nix -- Shot motion pictures of assassination

S.M. Holland

Robert Jackson

Harold Norman

Carolyn Walther