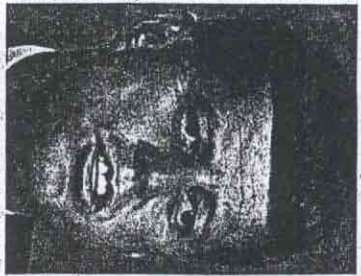


New book blows lid off 32-year conspiracy of silence



JFK told his lover of plot to kill him.

JFK'S SECRET MISTRESS ASSASSINATED BECAUSE SHE KNEW TOO MUCH

John F. Kennedy had a secret mistress who was assassinated — because he told her that people close to him were plotting his murder!

That shocking claim will be made in a no-holds-barred book now being written by Jackie Onassis' cousin John Davis. The ENQUIRER has learned.

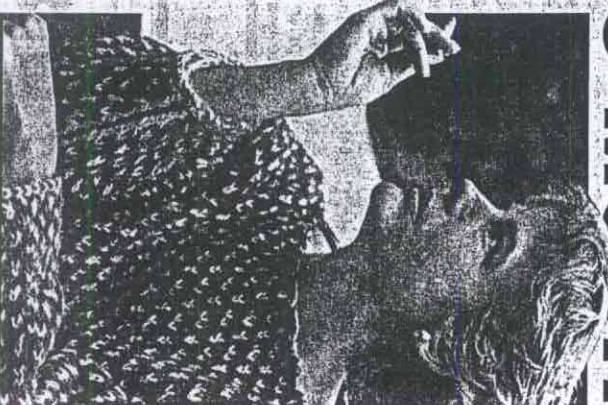
And our own long-term investigation has uncovered chilling information that

high government officials hoped would die with the murder victim.

Kennedy's lover was a beautiful artist Mary Pinchot Meyer, who carried on a two-year affair with JFK. She was executed gangland style 11 months after his assassination. Mary's killer grabbed her in broad daylight as she walked along a path in Washington, D.C. He shot the 42-year-old blonde just once under the cheekbone, then disappeared.

Mary died instantly. "Jack told Mary before his death that he believed there was a conspiracy in the works to assassinate him — and that the people behind the plot were close to him," disclosed a Washington insider with ties to the Kennedy family.

"The conspirators decided she had to be silenced before she could reveal what she knew about Jack's assassination." That information confirms what The ENQUIRER first learned in interviews



KENNEDY'S LOVER Mary Pinchot Meyer was executed gangland-style 11 months after he was killed.

at our offices with best-selling author Leo Damore, before he committed suicide last year.

Damore, who wrote the book "Senatorial Privilege: The Chappaquiddick Cover-Up," collected 150 pages of notes and interviews.

After two years of research, Damore told us, "I persuaded many government and intelligence officials to talk for the first time about the case. They agreed that Mary Meyer was murdered because she knew too much. Some very powerful people feared that Mary knew the real secret of the JFK assassination."

A retired police detective who worked on the case added: "Her murder was the work of a professional assassin. I got the impression the federal government was involved. Pressure was put on our department to be done with the case quickly."

The insider disclosed, "A black man, spotted near the

murder scene, was arrested and charged with her murder. But at trial he was acquitted.

"For some incredible reason the cops escorted him to the city limits and told him never to set foot in the District of Columbia again."

Damore's explosive research now belongs to Davis, who's using it for his book, "JFK and Mary Pinchot Meyer: A Tale of Two Murdered Lovers."

The book is due to be published in 1998 — 22 years after The ENQUIRER first revealed the affair between JFK and Mary Meyer in a 1976 front-page story.

— DAVID DUFFY
and BENNET BOLTON



One of the surest marks of good character is a man's ability to accept personal criticism without feeling malice toward the one who gives it.

— Baptist Trumpet