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G- shirt & tie

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an abundance of sodium, especially something that has been worn like a shirt, and that just wipes out your analysis.

Sodium had a large cross section for thermal neutron capture. This cross section, great ability to eat up neutrons in the reactor and becomes highly activated.

When you put your data on a multi-channel analyzer, all you see is sodium.

Why would you do something like that when there is an examination that is more appropriate?

Q Would the spectrographic analysis determine whether or not a bullet struck those areas of the President's clothing?

A You want me to give you a probability on it?

Q Yes.

A I can't do that.

Sometimes it does and sometimes it doesn't.

Every one of these examinations has to be evaluated on its own merit.

Q It apparently did give an analysis with respect to the back of the shirt.

A I certainly would believe that.

Q Would it not do the same thing with respect to the collar and the tie?

A I don't know.

What does it say there?

Q He goes on to say that, "Neutron activation is a sensitive analytical technique to determine elements present in a substance. During the course of the spectrographic examinations previously conducted of the fabric surrounding the hole in the front of the shirt, including the tie, no copper was found in excess of that present elsewhere in undamaged areas of the shirt and tie. Therefore, no copper was found which could be attributed to projectile fragments."

In short, I interpreted that to mean that there was no copper found that could be attributed to a bullet on the tie and the shirt collar.

Is that sufficient to determine that no bullet struck those areas?

A I don't know.

Q Did you make any comparison between the spectrographic finding with respect to the hole in the back of the President's shirt which showed copper and the finding with respect to the tie and shirt collar which did not show copper?

A I don't recall making that examination.

Q Would there have been a report on whether or not