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2d Gun Tests Inconclusive?

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LOS ANGELES — Former New York Rep. Allard Lowenstein and other critics of the investigation of the Robert F. Kennedy assassination contend that the "second gun" question was not answered by experts appointed to examine ballistic

evidence in the case. They told a Greater Los Angeles Press Club press conference yesterday that elements of the media have improperly interpreted the conclusions of the expert panel released Monday.

In sum, their position was that misinterpretations have

created the impression that there is no longer a possibility of a second gunman and no remaining questions of merit.

Lowenstein was joined at the press conference by forensic scientist Robert J. Joling and Paul Schrade, one of five other victims shot when Kennedy was fatally wounded at the Ambassador Hotel seven years ago.

Reads Statement

Joling, president of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, read a statement by Lowell W. Bradford, one of the seven experts who studied the bullet evidence.

Bradford maintained that if there are other questions, such as how many bullets were fired in the hotel pantry the night of the assassination or what their pathways were, they deserve systematic analysis.

Lowenstein noted that the Los Angeles Police Dept. had destroyed bullet-punctured ceiling panels taken from the hotel.

He suggested a test using a similar panel to duplicate the action of a bullet which was said to have pierced a ceiling panel, ricocheted off a ceiling, penetrated another panel and struck a victim.