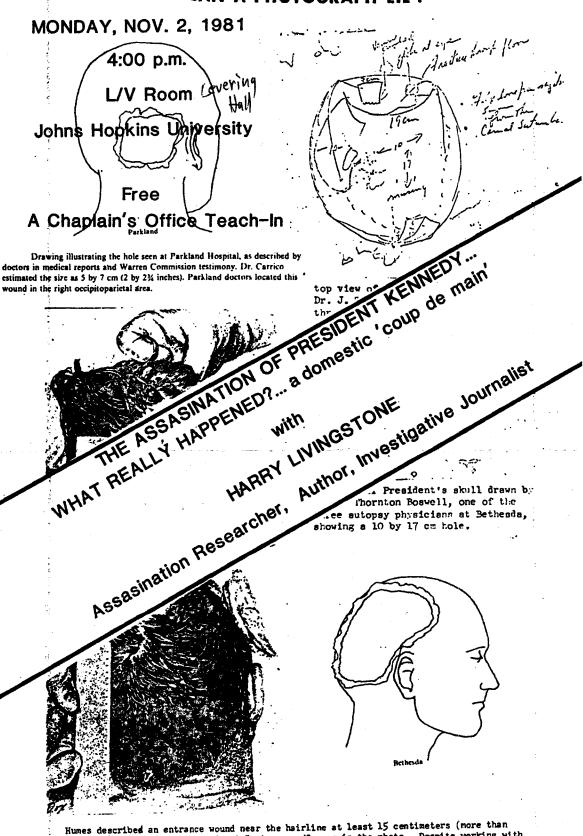
CAN A PHOTOGRAPH LIE?

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Humes described an entrance wound near the hairline at least 15 centimeters (more than 5 inches) lower than the prominent "entry wound" seen in the photo. Despite working with the body several hours, examining it both inside and out, Humes failed to mention a bullet hole in the position shown in the picture. The matric ruler in the photo shows the doctor had the means for measurement, and he twice states the entry hole was 2½ centimeters (a very precise measurement) from the occipital protuberance, or just to the right of the white spot at bottom, near the hairline. He states the huge defect of 13 centimeters (more than 5 inches) involved missing scalp and skull. He reiterates that the photos were made to show the great extent of damage to the skull. Note, however, that this photo shows none of the 5-inch defect except a small flar in the temporal area.