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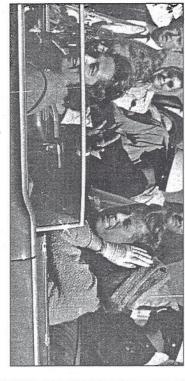
gains new credibility 'Grassy knoll' theory

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in 1963, a British forensic scienin the assassination of former were almost certainly involved tist has said. U.S. president John F. Kennedy LONDON — Two gunmen

ond gunman shot at the presi-"grassy knoll" theory that a sec-Science and Justice, Dr. D.B. sic Science Society's journal published in the British Forenvey Oswald fired three shots moment as assassin Lee Hardent at almost exactly the same Thomas adds weight to the Depository. from the Texas School Book In a peer-reviewed paper

96.3-per-cent chance that a analysis of echoes on acoustic shot was fired by a second perrecordings from the Dallas police radio channels, there was a Dr. Thomas said based on an



motorcade. At right, Lee Harvey Oswald may not have been alone. Above right, John F. Kennedy and wife Jacqueline in fateful Dallas

son on the knoll.

gripped the world and sparked del Castro, to a KGB plot. ranging from a Mafia hit, to Fidowntown Dallas. His death passed through Dealey Plaza in Nov. 22, 1963, as his motorcade countless conspiracy theories, Kennedy was assassinated on

of the assassination, always as "The Lady in Red" in footage maintained she heard a shot Eyewitness Jean Hill, known

> stopped by two police officers. book depository. Mrs. Hill, who knoll to see the shooter, but was died last year, ran toward the from the grassy knoll, not the

shots were fired by a single aseast corner of Dealey Plaza book depository at the northsion concluded that only three the president's limousine. The which was above and behind sassin — Oswald — from the In 1964, the Warren Commis-

grassy knoll was to the right and in front of the limousine. Oswald was shot dead short-

acy, but a later study by the U.S. nation was probably a conspirdio evidence, found the assassi-House of Representatives' Sely afterwards by Jack Ruby. missed the gunshot noises as National Research Council distions, which examined the ralect Committee on Assassina-A 1978 investigation by the

quencies, making it sound as if a made mistakes in lining up conthe earlier view. He said the Nater the president had been shot gunshot noise heard through versations on two police fretional Academy of Sciences the motorcade occurred long atthe radio of a patrolman with Dr. Thomas' findings support

gunfire," Dr. Thomas said. dent was being assassinated by recorded over the police radio gunshot-like sounds ... were at the precise instant the presievidence indicates that the "The unambiguous cross-talk

welcomed the findings. chief counsel for the House Committee on Assassinations G. Robert Blakey, the former

dence that the shot from the creased the degree of confipush comes to shove, he ingrassy knoll was real, not stat-"The main thing is when

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