

Kennedy evidence phony, author says

He says Warren panel was deceived

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The autopsy photographs and X-rays of President John F. Kennedy are fake or forged, according to the author of *High Treason 2*.

The Zapruder film of the assassination also is a hoax, said Harrison Edward Livingstone.

The accusations came as Mr. Livingstone assembled a cast of supporting medical witnesses Thursday at the JFK Assassination Information Center in downtown Dallas. He was there to promote his new book and to charge Pennsylvania Sen. Arlen Specter with treason.

Mr. Specter, a lawyer who helped the Warren Commission investigate the Kennedy assassination, covered up the facts of the murder, Mr. Livingstone said.

"I think Arlen Specter belongs in jail," Mr. Livingstone said. "This is treason, and this is an accessory after the fact."

A Washington spokeswoman for Mr. Specter said Thursday that the charges were "political hogwash."

Mr. Livingstone said the Zapruder film and X-rays of Mr. Kennedy's skull showed that the front of the president's face was blown away and caved in, although medical witnesses said Thursday his face was unmarked. The medical witnesses also said they noted a massive wound in the rear of the president's head, although autopsy photographs do not show it.

Mr. Livingstone said the fake photographs and X-rays were used by Sen. Specter to deceive Chief Justice Earl Warren, who chaired the Warren Commission investigation.

"They tricked him with false photographs that showed an intact back of the head, with X-rays that showed the face missing — as though the president had been shot from behind and it blew out his face," Mr. Livingstone said. "The official story of John Kennedy's murder is very, very wrong. It's a fraud."

He introduced Dr. Richard Brooks Dulany, one of the doctors who helped treat Texas Gov. John Connally at Parkland Memorial Hospital. Dr. Dulany said he saw a massive wound on the side and rear of the president's head.

But in a NOVA television appearance for the Public Broadcasting System several years ago, Dr. Dulany examined the autopsy photographs in the National Archives in Washington and said they were authentic.

Dr. Dulany was not able to reconcile the difference Thursday.

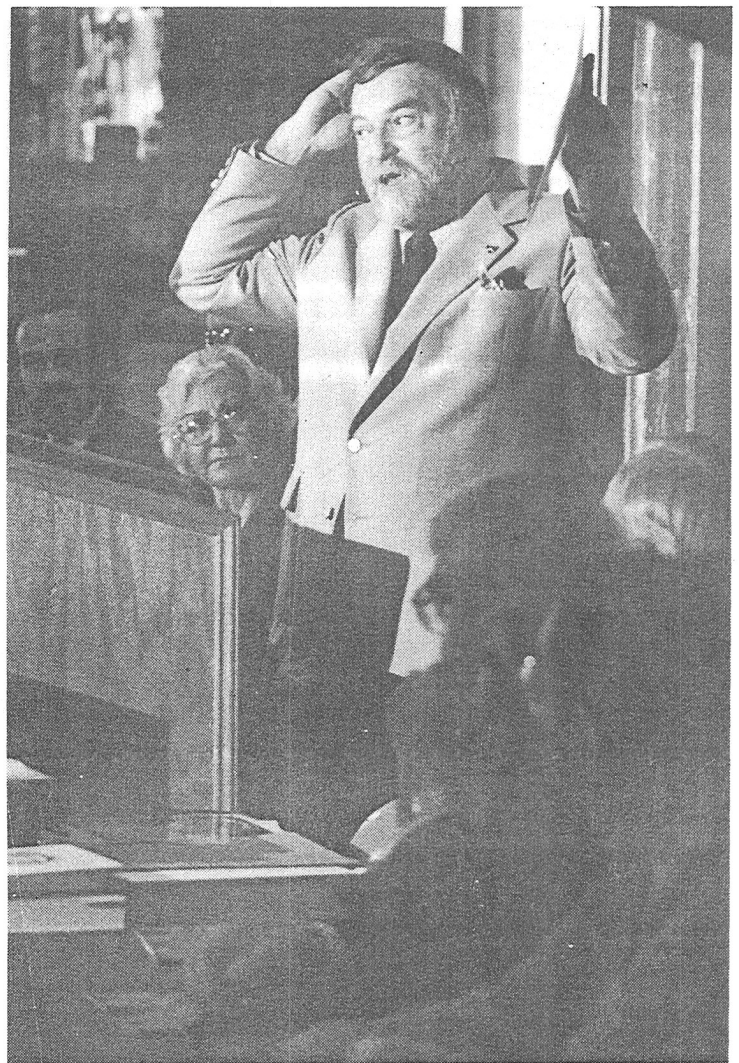
"I just give the evidence as I saw it," Dr. Dulany said. "I have to stand by what I said on the NOVA program, and I have to stand by what I said here."

He said he is not a specialist in photography.

"I'm no expert on that," he said. "I'm doing good to use a Brownie."

Other medical witnesses at the news conference included Jim Metzler, a corpsman at Bethesda Naval Hospital; Audrey Bell, a nursing supervisor at Parkland; and Jim Jenkins, another Bethesda hospital worker.

Paul O'Connor, a Bethesda medical technician who helped prepare Mr. Kennedy's body, said Thursday that he believes the autopsy photo-



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Author Harrison Edward Livingstone, during a news conference Thursday in Dallas, describes his theory that phony X-rays and photographs showing President John F. Kennedy's head wounds were used to deceive the Warren Commission.

graphs were retouched by airbrush painting.

Mr. O'Connor has asserted that Mr. Kennedy's body was secretly switched from a heavy, bronze coffin and arrived in a body bag inside a shipping casket. But Mr. Livingstone, in his book, dismisses that

theory.

Mr. O'Connor said he is not bothered by the criticism.

"I think that's good, healthy trashing," Mr. O'Connor said. "I'll be the first person to admit I'm not the perfect expert on this thing. I could be wrong."