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LONDON, MARCH 15 (AP)-THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORP. (BBC) TELEVISED A PLAY TONIGHT ABOUT THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, TITLED "LEE OSWALD--ASSASSIN."

THE PLOT FOLLOWED THE OFFICIAL CONCLUSION THAT OSWALD ACTED ALONE AND WAS NOT PART OF A PLOT. IT ATTEMPTED TO RECREATE KEY INCIDENTS IN OSWALD'S LIFE.

DIRECTOR RUDOLPH CARTIER, AIMING AT ACCURACY, SPENT WEEKS STUDYING PHOTOGRAPHS, NEWSREEL FILM, AND NEWSPAPER REPORTS. THE TELEFILM OF OSWALD'S SHOOTING IN THE BASEMENT OF THE DALLAS POLICE HEADQUARTERS WAS COPIED, FRAME BY FRAME, BY THE ACTORS.

THE DIALOGUE AT SOME POINTS WAS UNINTENTIONALLY FUNNY.

A WOMAN JOURNALIST, FOR INSTANCE, WAS TESTIFYING BEFORE THE WARREN COMMISSION ABOUT AN INTERVIEW WITH OSWALD IN MOSCOW. SHE SAID:

"HE AGREED TO COME UP TO MY APARTMENT."

THERE WAS A PAUSE. THEN SHE ADDED: "FOR AN INTERVIEW."

THAT CAUSED A ROAR OF LAUGHTER AMONG NEWSMEN INVITED TO A SPECIAL PREVIEW OF THE SHOW. IN THE NEXT SCENE, THE WOMAN JOURNALIST WAS BEGINNING THE INTERVIEW--DRESSED IN A LOW-CUT NEGLIGEE. THAT BROUGHT THE HOUSE DOWN.

THE BBC PROVIDED A NUMBER OF SHORT CLIPS FO AMERICAN ACTOR TONY BILL, 25, PORTRAYING OSWALD, FOR USE ON CBS TELEVISION IN NEW YORK TONIGHT.

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