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# WILD SHOT HINTED IN ASSASSINATION

## First Bullet Said to Have Hit Kennedy and Connally

DALLAS, May 29 (AP)—  
Television station KRLD said  
today that the Warren Com-  
mission's report on the assassi-  
nation of President Kennedy  
would show that the first bullet  
hit both the President and Gov.  
John B. Connally Jr. and that  
the third shot went wild.

Previous thinking had been  
that the first bullet hit the  
President, the second hit the  
Governor and the third fatally  
wounded Mr. Kennedy.

In a copyrighted story,  
KRLD said it had also learned  
that the commission's report,  
which it said was to be released  
in a few weeks, would show the  
following:

¶The first bullet entered the  
President's body slightly above  
the right collar bone and exited  
just to the left of the tie knot,  
then entered the body of Gov-  
ernor Connally just above the  
fifth rib.

¶The second bullet struck  
the President in the back of  
the head.

¶The third bullet followed a  
much flatter trajectory than  
the first two, because the mo-  
torcade was moving down a  
sloping street, and it struck a  
manhole cover, then ricocheted  
off the curb and was never  
found.

¶Medical opinion in the com-  
mission's report will show that  
chances for the President's re-  
covery from the first wound  
would have been excellent. Also,  
had the first hit been a fraction  
lower, the force of the bullet  
would probably have knocked  
the President to the floor of the  
car and removed him from the  
line of sight for the second—  
and fatal—shot.

¶The first bullet traveled 168  
feet before it hit, the second  
207 feet.

There was an interval of 4½  
seconds between the first and  
second shots, and about 2½ sec-  
onds between the second and  
third shots, and experts contend  
a crack marksman could have  
fired all three in the time it  
took the assassin to fire the  
first two.

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