

British TV Reviews the Doubts About Kennedy Assassination

LONDON, Jan. 29 (UPI) — Millions of Britons relied on television tonight the tragedy and doubt surrounding the assassination of President Kennedy.

The British Broadcasting Corporation turned over the second of its two television networks to an unusual 4½-hour program entitled "The Death of Kennedy."

It did not seek to provide the answers, but it did spotlight the doubts raised by the Warren Commission's report with the aid of live interviews with key figures, a 300-square-foot model of the assassination scene in Dallas and the premiere of the film version of Mark Lane's controversial book, "Rush to Judgment."

The film has not been shown in the United States.

Mr. Lake appeared live on the program with three other Americans. They were Philadelphia District Attorney Arlen Specter and David Belin, a lawyer of Des Moines — both former counsel to the Warren Commission — and Alexander Bickel, professor of law and legal history at Yale.

They were interviewed by Kenneth Harris, a BBC newsman who returned recently from a prolonged trip to the United States during which he talked with assassination witnesses and leading members of the Warren Commission.

Mr. Specter endorsed the Warren Commission's conclusion that a single bullet killed

the President and wounded Gov. John B. Connally Jr. of Texas.

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Investigated Oswald

Mr. Belin was responsible for the inquiry that linked Lee Harvey Oswald with the man seen by witnesses at a sixth floor window of the Texas School Book Depository.

Mr. Bickel and Lord Devlin, a former British appeals court judge, assessed the evidence.

During the program, a British Royal Marine sharpshooter in the B.B.C. studio twice fired three blank shots in quick succession from a 6.5-mm. Italian rifle of the type believed to have been used as the murder weapon.

The rifleman at his first attempt fired three shots in 2.6 seconds, or less than one second each time. On a second attempt he fired three shots in 3.9 seconds.

Experts had found that Oswald's rifle could not fire two shots in less than 2.3 seconds.

The TV show's producer, Richard Francis, said in conclusion: "The fearful possibility remains that there is alive today someone who set out to kill the President. Was Lee Harvey Oswald alone or was he part of a conspiracy?"