

# Assassination Charged

## JFK Killer Said L. Harvey Oswald

From AP, UPI Reports

A 24-year-old ex-Marine was formally charged late Friday with the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Kennedy died in a Dallas, Tex. hospital approximately 30 minutes after a sniper's bullets rained down upon the presidential cavalcade as it was rounding the corner near a school book storage building in the Texas city.

Within two hours of the death Lyndon B. Johnson took the oath of office as the 36th president of the United States.

Texas Governor John Connally, also riding in the bubble-top presidential limousine, was shot and seriously wounded. He was in satisfactory condition late Friday in a Dallas hospital after a four-hour operation.

### Suspect Jailed

Dallas police had jailed Lee Harvey Oswald, 24, in connection with the slaying of a Dallas policeman shortly after the President was assassinated.

Oswald, an ex-Marine, described himself as a pro-Marxist and the chairman of the "Fair Play for Cuba Committee."

Oswald is said to have received a discharge from the marines active reserve in September of 1960 as an "undesirable". He has denied any part in the death of the President, and made no statement after being given the formal charges against him.

Wire reports indicated Dallas police said Oswald had been in the storage building Friday and that he was an employee there.

Earlier in the day a high-powered rifle with a telescopic sight had been found in the office building. First reports said no fingerprints were found on the weapon.

### Shots Fired Quickly

Secret service men said Friday night it was difficult to reconstruct the assassination because of the speed with which it all happened. The shots were fired rapidly but were evenly spaced.

The motorcade was moving briskly at 25 to 30 miles per hour. This, combined with the apparent long shooting range, made it obvious to secret service men that the killer was a trained marksman.

The President was seated on the righthand side of the back seat in the open car while Governor Connally was in the "jump" seat facing him.

Mrs. Connally said that the President was struck first. Secret service agents have long feared that a President would be shot while in an open-car motorcade on a crowded city street. Although known crackpots and President-haters

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## Nation Shows Shock At President's Death

From AP, UPI Reports

The nation registered shocked disbelief Friday at the news of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The Senate adjourned, major stock exchanges closed and officials at every level of government expressed shock and sorrow.

News of the shooting hit Congress like a thunderbolt.

Senate Democratic leader Mike Mansfield said, "This is terrible. I can't find words."

Senate GOP leader Everett Dirksen said, "This is the most disastrous thing that could hit this nation."

Secretary of State Dean Rusk and other cabinet members were on a plane bound for Japan. The plane turned back between Honolulu and Tokyo.

Former President Dwight Eisenhower said, "I share a sense

of shock and dismay that all Americans feel at the despicable act that resulted in the death of our nation's President."

Alabama Governor George Wallace said that whoever fired the shots "must be filled with universal malice toward all . . . It is hard to believe that anyone would shoot at the President . . ."

All major stock exchanges closed early as stock prices took their worst beating since "Black Monday," May 28, 1962.

Former President Harry Truman called the death a great loss to the entire country. Truman said that the late President was "able . . . loved and trusted."

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, the President's brother, was presiding over the Senate when the word came to Washington. An air informed him and he rushed from the Senate chamber.



"The Stalins of this world die in bed—it is the Lincolns and the Kennedys who are shot down". The London Daily News.

—Photo by Max Reid

### Disbelief... Shock... Anxiety

## Students React In Many Ways

The news spread rapidly. Students heard it from their professors in their 11 o'clock classes, heard it in the Student Union Fishbowl when the jukebox was turned off and the voice of a radio announcer filled the room, heard it when friends and classmates met them in halls and doorways, and heard it when the dozens of people who apparently had to tell someone rushed up to them and spilled out the words.

### Reactions Rapid

Their reactions were usually a rapid succession of disbelief, shock, and anxiety.

They heard it in many ways—a girl came into the Fishbowl, saw the crowd and started to listen to the radio, in the library a student rushed up to the clerk at the turnstile and began to ask about an overdue book, could not finish and finally managed to choke out the news, in the College Side Inn a waitress heard

the radio announcer and "turned up the radio and everyone just stopped."

### Disbelief Greets News

University students reacted in unpredictable fashion. A student who rushed into the Honors College Lounge with the news met disbelief and laughter, and left. A girl in the Fishbowl heard the death announcement, looked around and "it was the first time I've ever seen men cry in public."

In the dormitories, reaction was typical of other living organizations. Students left food untouched, clustered around radios and television sets and talked about the event. Girls in McClain Hall wrote a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Kennedy and all signed it.

### Bells Toll

The tolling of the carillon bells in the Student Union went on for

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## Services Set; No Game, No Classes

Inter-faith memorial services will be held for President John F. Kennedy at 11 a.m. today in McArthur Court. All weekend activities have been postponed or cancelled, and classes will not resume until 8 a.m. Tuesday.

The memorial service today will be conducted by Rabbi Louis Neimand, Temple Beth Israel; the Rt. Rev. Edmund J. Murnane, St. Mary's Catholic Church; and the Rev. W. W. LaMunyan, president of the Eugene Ministerial Association. Students, University personnel and townspeople may attend.

Monday at 9 a.m. memorial services for the late President will be conducted in Washington, D.C. Sanctuaries and churches in Eugene will be open at that time.

No Saturday or Monday classes will be held at the University. Leon P. Minear, state superin-

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