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Pair debates CIA link to JFK assassination

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Of the Emerald

Who killed John F. Kennedy?
The traditional view is that Lee Harvey
Oswald did, and that he was unassisted.

This is a view that Hays Gorey, *Time*
magazine Washington correspondent and
co-author of a Nov. 24, 1975, article in *Time*
entitled "Who Killed JFK?" adheres to.

But, it is a viewpoint that is bitterly op-
posed by Mae Brussell, a conspiracy

theorist who has been researching the
Kennedy assassination extensively in the
13 years since that event. She worked for 8
years on the matter before making her re-
search public.

Gorey and Brussell spoke to University
students Tuesday night in the EMU Ball-
room, giving accounts of what each be-
lieves actually occurred in Dallas on Nov.
22, 1963. The debate was sponsored by the
Cultural Forum and the Student Bar As-
sociation.

Gorey, who also was involved in Water-
gate reporting, assured the audience that
he is not merely a defender of the "estab-
lishment," but added, "I don't believe that
the establishment is always wrong."

Gorey emphasized the importance of
hard facts throughout his commentary, and
also emphasized that the case had to be
solved "beyond a reasonable doubt."

"Facts are not as interesting or as excit-
ing as theories, but they are all we have to
go on until new facts are reported and es-
tablished as fact," he said.

"I am not able to eradicate every doubt in
your minds—no one is—and in my opinion,
no one ever will be. You can take conflicting
statements and make a very good case for
conspiracy," said Gorey.

Gorey pointed to much of the factual evi-
dence of the Warren Commission report,
for example, that Oswald was in the School
Book Depository, "from which shots were
indisputably fired." He also pointed out that
Oswald owned the rifle found on the sixth
floor of the building, and that the bullets that
struck Kennedy were found to have been
fired from that rifle.

He also said that the Tippitt slaying was
"crucial." "If Oswald didn't kill Tippitt, then it

is possible that he didn't kill Kennedy," he
said, and detailed what he believes is
"overwhelming" evidence that Oswald did
kill Tippitt.

"The slaying of Tippitt makes no sense
unless he was involved, as I very strongly
feel, in the assassination of Pres. Ken-
nedy."

"There is no evidence that Oswald
worked in concert with anyone," said
Gorey.

Brussell, on the other hand, feels that
Oswald was not only working in conjunction
with the CIA in assassinating Kennedy, but
that he had been involved with the CIA
much earlier than that.

She cited the facts that Oswald had a top
security clearance while in the service, that
he was extremely intelligent and had knowl-
edge of radar, and the peculiar circum-
stances of his arrival and departure from
Russia as supportive evidence of his ties
with the CIA.

Brussell said that Oswald had about eight
ties with the CIA.

She also pointed out that Kennedy's car
was stripped within two days of the assas-
sination, and that John Connally's clothing
was also destroyed. In all, she said that
about "35 pieces of evidence were de-
stroyed immediately after the assassina-
tion."

"I think it is disgusting that the burden of
finding evidence is put on the public; on
me," said Brussell.

Brussell will be speaking on "The U.S.
Intelligence Community and the Politics of
Conspiracy" today at 12:30 p.m. in Room
129 Law, in which she will further elaborate
on the JFK assassination and errors in the
Warren Commission report.



Deflated luck

Photo by Greg Clark

"Bad luck runs in cycles"—or into their parking space, in this case. The driver of
this car parked on University Street received that sad news Tuesday.

'Shrooming: Stalking for a natural high

By KARON STIRLING
Of the Emerald

Spring is almost upon us, bringing re-
lieved students outside once again with
their baseballs, footballs and frisbees. For
many Oregonians, however, the new sea-
son will extend an invitation for more excit-
ing activities—straight to the cow pastures
and the sport of "Shrooming."

Rediscovered by many students last fall,
shrooming involves stalking nearby pas-
tures for mushrooms containing a "natural
high." According to most shroomers, the
only problem in obtaining the mushrooms is
getting out to the fields before they are all
gone—most leave in the early morning just
after daybreak.

Once collected, the mushrooms may be

smoked, sniffed, or most commonly, in-
gested orally. "The best thing about eating
mushrooms is going out picking them," one
student commented. "You usually pick one
and eat three, and so on, and by the time
you're done you've really obtained a
gradual, neat high."

Experiences after consuming the mus-
hrooms range from extreme depression to
invigoration. "The reason I first tried mus-
hrooms was because someone told me it
was a real laugh, I mean it just made you
laugh all of the time," another student ex-
plained. "When I took them I was by myself
and I think I ate about 100 small ones. At
first it was really neat because it made me
very aware of myself, my bone structure,
and I could feel my blood

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