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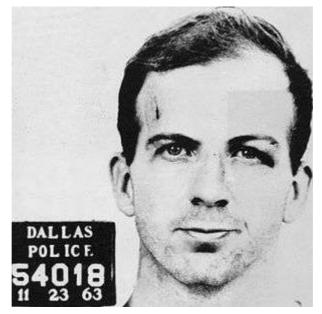
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Until the insanity that was 9/11, the Kennedy assassination was the most spectacular murder in history, and as far as single murders go, it still is. For conspiratards, November 22 is still a mighty important date in the calendar, and this year is no exception. Fifty-two years ago today, an insignificant and quite horrible little man cut down the most powerful man in the world with a cheap mail order rifle.

Lee Harvey Oswald was arrested within two hours of the crime, during which time he managed to commit another murder, that of a police officer, and but for his gun jamming might well have committed at least one more. The rifle was shown to be his; he was photographed with it; he was in the building when the fatal shots were fired, and identified by credible witnesses. Everything pointed to him and still does, yet for the conspiratards the real culprit was: the CIA, the Mafia, the Mossad, the Jews, Israel, Fidel Castro, the Russians, the Illuminati, a group of evil Southern businessmen ... anybody except Oswald.

These beliefs were and remain widespread, even Kennedy's successor Lyndon Johnson believed there was a conspiracy to kill the President, and it goes without saying that some have even pointed the finger at poor Lyndon himself.



Lee Harvey Oswald (October 18, 1939 – November 24, 1963)

There would have been considerably less grist to the conspiracy mill if Oswald hadn't been assassinated himself before he could stand trial. Like the shooting of the President, this too was captured on film. In some sense Oswald's assassin, Jack Ruby, can be considered the father of the conspiracy industry.

This year there is something new, a New Jersey theatre is putting on a play which gives Oswald's version of events. In case you didn't know, this amounts to the claim "I'm just a patsy". Seriously?

Before you read or watch any of the conspiracy garbage though, check out those who have done some proper research on the crime, like lawyer Vincent Bugliosi, and Dale Myers whose magnificent and minutely detailed computer simulation debunks the so-called magic bullet theory.