

ADMISSION NOTE

J.F. Kennedy

DATE AND HOUR:

22 Nov 1963

DOCTOR:

PERRY

Staff Note -

At the time of initial examination, the pt. was noted to be non-responsive. His eyes were deviated and the pupils dilated. A considerable quantity of blood was noted on the patient, the carapace and the floor. A small wound was noted in the midline of the neck, in the lower third anteriorly. It was exuding blood slowly. A large wound of the right posterior cranium was noted, exposing severely lacerated brain. Brain tissue was noted in the blood at the head of the carapace.

Pulse or heart beat were not detectable, but slow spasmodic respiration was noted. An endotracheal tube was in place and respiration was being assisted. An intravenous infusion was being placed in the leg.

At this point I noted that respiration was ineffective and while additional resuscitations were done to administer fluids + blood, a tracheostomy was effected. A ^{right} lateral injury to the trachea was noted. The tracheostomy tube was put in place and the cuff inflated and respiration assisted. Close chest cardiac massage was initiated after placement of sealed-drainage chest tubes, but

without benefit. Electrocardiographic evaluation ~~was~~ revealed that no detectable electrical activity existed in the heart.

Resuscitative attempts were abandoned after the team of physicians determined that the patient had expired.

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1630 hrs 22 Nov 1963