DIANA HAMILTON BOWRON, the 22-year-old English nurse who was with President Kennedy when he died, said today that she had no idea who her patient was to be when she was sent out of the emergency section of Parkland Hospital, Dallas, to help bring him in from his car on a trolley.

"I realised it when I saw Mrs. Kennedy, whom I recognised immediately," she said, "She was sitting in the back of the car with the President's head in her lap. She was bending over him and covered in blood."

Miss Bowron—who arrived in Dallas from her home in Buxton, Derbyshire, only three months ago—was working in the minor surgery part of the emergency section when she heard a loudspeaker call for nurses to bring in an incoming patient.

Within minutes she was caught up in the drama she will remember all her life. "We had to get Governor Connally out of the car first, because he was in the front seat," she explained. "When we brought in the President he was covered with petals from the flowers which Mrs. Kennedy was carrying, and as we worked on him they were scattered all over the floor of the room."

She helped to cut off the President's clothes and to hand the doctors the equipment for the intravenous injections, blood transfusion and tracheotomy which they tried.

"Mrs. Kennedy came into the room with the trolley, and stayed until it became too crowded. The hospital staff tried to persuade her to stay outside, but she came back in just as he died."

"After he died, she kissed his hand, then took off her wedding ring and slipped it on to his wedding finger. It came just up to the knuckle."