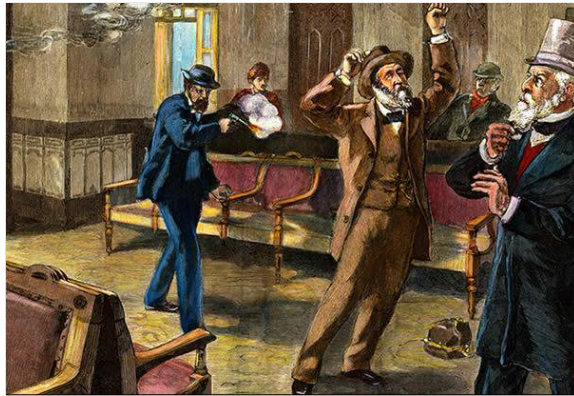


# Shot in the Patoot

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happy birthday to former President James Garfield,  
mortally shot in the patoot



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reminder that one time we shoved whiskey and beef  
bouillon up a president's butt until he died  
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In addition to causing sepsis by probing the wound with unsterile hands and instruments, Garfield's doctors did him a disservice by strictly limiting his solid food intake, believing that the bullet might have pierced his intestines, said Dr. Rutkow, the author of "James A. Garfield," a book in the American Presidents Series.

In mid-August, the doctors insisted that Garfield be fed rectally, and he received beef bouillon, egg yolks, milk, whiskey and drops of opium in this manner.

"They basically starved him to death," said Dr. Rutkow, noting that the president lost over 100 pounds from July to September.

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