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Enclosed is a copy of an editorial which appeared in the 7-2-67 issue of "The Courier-Journal," a daily newspaper of general circulation in Louisville.

As the Bureau has previously been advised, this newspaper from time to time publishes unfavorable articles concerning the Director and the FBI.

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# CBS Scores High On Public Service

IN ITS ANALYSIS of the Warren Commission's report on the assassination of President Kennedy, the Columbia Broadcasting System did a first-class job of journalistic investigation and interpretation. CBS, in effect, undertook its own independent investigation. It explored facets of the tangled web of events that the press, surprisingly, three-and-half years after the assassination, had not adequately explored.

At the end of its four-part series, CBS conceded that the Warren Commission was right in naming Lee Harvey Oswald as the single assassin and that no credible evidence exists at present to support the theory that Oswald was involved in a conspiracy to murder the President.

Nevertheless, CBS maintained that the Warren Commission did not do as good a job as it should have done and because of certain errors of judgment on its part provided ammunition to its critics.

CBS charged that the "Warren Commission seriously compromised itself by allowing the Secret Service, the FBI and the CIA to investigate questions involving their own actions." The commission's report was critical of the

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FBI and the Secret Service for their  
inances before and immediately after  
assassination—and with good reason.

Secret Service in particular was inexcusable  
lax in its security measures to protect the  
President. The FBI knew of Lee Harvey  
Oswald's presence in Dallas, considered him  
dangerous enough to keep an eye on him, and  
yet did nothing to alert the proper authorities.

Moreover, CBS cited reports and documen-  
tation that Oswald had some connection with  
either the FBI or the CIA. Instead of press-  
ing an independent investigation of its own,  
the Warren Commission simply accepted the  
word of these agencies that Oswald had no  
connection with them. "It is not frivolous,"  
CBS news contends, to suspect that Oswald  
did have some link to the FBI or the CIA.

Here CBS has emphasized a flaw in the  
commission's report that in itself is sufficient  
to feed the most far-fetched conspiracy  
theories. Certainly, District Attorney Jim  
Garrison of New Orleans has played this area  
of doubt to the hilt in his investigative  
circus. This, more than anything else in the  
Warren Commission report, needs further  
exploration.

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That is sad, for it means the very purpose of a free press -- to inform -- has been profaned. It is to the credit of the local papers in New Orleans that they were not misled, but in dutifully reporting the public utterances of their District Attorney they, however inadvertently, contributed to the subsequent assassination of innocent reputations. The press was "used" in a manner contrary to all that our system of jurisprudence stands for; citizens were guilty until they proved themselves innocent!

Gurvich, disassociating himself from Garrison, said, "People in my city are being yanked in off the street and disgraced." He says Garrison "once planned a midnight raid on the local FBI office."

CBS, evaluating the evidence, concluded that Garrison has used "unethical and illegal methods." NBC said that his probe is "unsupported by evidence."

New Orleans' Metropolitan Crime Commission, hearing that Garrison has used threats and bribes in his desperation to build up a case, has asked Louisiana Attorney General Gremillion to investigate Garrison.

Gremillion has so far refused. The Bar Association must act.

If the legal profession is to deserve our continuing confidence and respect, it must deal promptly and decisively with its own transgressors.

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Paul Harvey News

BAR ASSOCIATION MUST JUDGE GARRISON

By Paul Harvey

New Orleans' District Attorney Garrison, in the beginning, thought he had something. Everybody identified with his early reinvestigation of the Kennedy assassination concurs, "Garrison sincerely believed others than Oswald were involved..."

What misled Garrison and his financial backers in the first place is the fact that there always exist a few fanatics who are writing or talking of assassinating the President. Such letters are regularly traced by our FBI and some prosecutions result.

During the dark days following the abortive Cuban invasion there must have been scores of vituperative card-table threats directed at President Kennedy. Garrison sought to add up some hearsay, some letters and some otherwise unsavory characters into a dark and devious plot. But if his early suspicions were excusable, his subsequent conduct was not.

As early as March 1, 1967, when Garrison's first bold allegations broke into public print, I went to New Orleans to evaluate his evidence. I wrote to you from there that Garrison was "over-running his headlights," that he was likely to "damage irreparably the reputations of innocent persons."

But Garrison persisted in his probe and the more his "evidence" evaporated, the more stubborn he became.

Finally, according to his own former chief investigator, William Garrison, "Garrison became obsessed with the theory of a conspiracy."

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