

FRIEND OF MARINA CITES NEED TO SHIELD ACCUSED

To Mrs. Ruth Paine the Warren Commission report points out a need she has long felt necessary—the protection of the rights of an accused person.

"I have been appalled by the thought that even if Oswald had lived and had been brought to trial, he might not have been convicted because of all the publicity," said Mrs. Paine, who provided a home for Marina Oswald before the assassination.

"I think he was guilty," she stated. "But any verdict against

him might have been thrown out of court because a judge could have thought the excess publicity didn't allow him a fair trial."

Mrs. Paine said she has "very much felt that we need nationally to think about how to protect the rights of an accused person."

The Irving housewife said she was "very favorably impressed with the report."

The report provided one surprise for Mrs. Paine.

"It said he had left \$170 in a billfold in our home for Mrs. Oswald," she said, "and I hadn't known about that." The billfold apparently was picked up by police, Mrs. Paine said.

She said some people already had expressed doubts that Oswald could have saved that much money.

"But he lived very frugally and I'm sure that he could have saved it during the few weeks he was employed," Mrs. Paine said.

Herself a witness before the commission, Mrs. Paine said she had been impressed with the thoroughness of the group's efforts.

Mrs. Paine believes, however, that there will always be some people to have questions in their mind about Oswald's guilt.

"I personally am satisfied and

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