



Radio and Television

NBC to Report On Garrison

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NBC NEWS announced yesterday that it was scheduling a special report, "JFK Conspiracy: The Case of Jim Garrison," for Monday night (8 to 9 p.m., Channel 4).

The program will concentrate on the controversial New Orleans District Attorney who has claimed to have uncovered new evidence of a conspiracy to assassinate the late President Kennedy.

Walter Sheridan, a former investigator for Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, has been working on the story for several months. Sheridan joined the NBC News Washington staff in February, 1965.

The televised report will be anchored by Frank McGee, working under producer Fred Freed. Special attention will be paid to the credibility of Garrison's two key witnesses, Vernon Bundy and Perry Russo.

A second aspect of the special program is an examination of Garrison's methods for gathering evidence and obtaining witnesses. Already filmed are interviews with persons who were approached by representatives of Garrison's office.

The special program will pre-empt "I Dream of Jeannie" and "Capt. Nice."

CBS NEWS President Richard S. Salant announced yesterday that the three programs on "The Warren Report" have been expanded to four hour-long programs. They will run on consecutive nights, June 25-28, each at 10 p.m.

The furor raised by critics of the Warren Commission Report on the assassination of Mr. Kennedy led to Salant's setting up a special CBS News unit last fall under executive producer Leslie Midgley.

Salant said the fourth hour was added because "it became increasingly obvious that the extent of significant material developed would require additional time for presentation."

With the announcement, Salant established a first in television. Never before has so much time been devoted to a single subject. The previous high was NBC's devotion of an entire evening (three and a half hours) to such broad subjects as civil rights or crime and American foreign policy.

Critics of those programs (each of which was excellent) doubted that a TV audience would sit through an entire evening of filmed and video taped reports on one subject. Several persons suggested that presentation would be more effective and have greater impact if divided into single hours and telecast on consecutive days.

Assigned as on-the-air commentators for all four evenings are CBS correspondents Walter Cronkite and Dan Rather, along with Eddie Barker, news director of KRLD-TV, Dallas-Fort Worth.

WTOF-TV (Channel 9) has decided to send a team to Rome for a special program on the bestowal of the Red Hat on the newly elevated Patrick Cardinal O'Boyle, Archbishop of Washington.

Reporter Roy Meachum and producer Paul Liebier will leave for Rome June 23, with a cameraman. A half-hour News Special is scheduled for June 30.

Meachum will report daily on events leading up to and culminating with the traditional bestowal of the Red Hat to Cardinal-elect O'Boyle by Pope Paul VI.

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