

Kennedy's Killer

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NEW ORLEANS (UPI) — President Johnson "knows very well that Lee Oswald did not pull the trigger," Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison says of President John F. Kennedy's assassination.

And, Garrison charged yesterday, Johnson and FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover have kept the truth about the assassination from the Kennedy family.

Garrison, asserting that at least 15 persons were involved in a conspiracy to murder Kennedy in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963, said Johnson and the federal government are "protecting the assassin every day."

Garrison also said:

• Oswald was working for the CIA in November 1963 and ad-

vised the Federal Bureau of Investigation of a plot to kill President Kennedy in Dallas.

• At least 15 persons were involved in the conspiracy, including right wing extremists.

• Communists were not involved in the plot.

• He fears the Warren Commission's secret documents may be changed before they are released to the public.

• He finds it unusual that three Democratic governors have interfered with his investigation by refusing to extradite witnesses to Louisiana.

• He said he did not know whether Gov. Ronald Reagan of California, a Republican, would extradite Edgar Eugene Bradley, the second man Garrison has charged with conspiracy in the assassination.

The district attorney appeared at the news conference to help publicize a Ramparts Magazine story on the assassination by former FBI agent William Turner.

Claims FBI Knew

Asked why the Kennedy family has not backed his investigation, Garrison said the family was not aware of a federal "cover-up" because it was getting its information from Johnson and Hoover.

The district attorney said the FBI had knowledge of the Nov.

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22 conspiracy. He said an FBI telegram warning agents about an assassination attempt went to several FBI bureaus and went as high as Hoover. However, Garrison would not say how he could confirm such a telegram.

(In Washington, the FBI declined comment on Garrison's statements, the Associated Press reported. FBI and CIA officials had testified before the Warren Commission that neither

the FBI nor the CIA had ever employed Oswald or had any connection with him.

(The AP said Garrison said the telegram was a TWX, or inter-bureau telegram.)

In other developments in Garrison's investigation:

The Los Angeles district attorney's office issued a fugitive complaint against Bradley.

Bradley's employer, conservative radio evangelist Rev. Carl

McIntire, said in Collingswood, N.J., that his organization has been able to pinpoint Bradley's activities and show Bradley was nowhere near Dallas Nov. 22.

Bradley, who is the West Coast representative for McIntire's syndicated "20th Century Reformation" broadcasts, has denied Garrison's charges. He says he was on the way from Oklahoma City to El Paso, Tex., the day Kennedy was killed.

When he was told yesterday about the fugitive complaint, Bradley said he will surrender to Los Angeles authorities as soon as they "pick up a phone and call me." He was expected to appear in a Los Angeles court today.

KILLER UNKNOWN, ALPHAND SAYS

PARIS (UPI)—Herve Alphand, former French ambassador to Washington, says in a privately published book that he believes President John F. Kennedy was killed by an "unknown murderer."

Alphand, who was a friend of Kennedy's and now is secretary of state in the French foreign office, made the comment in the introduction of a book of important Kennedy speeches.

"Kennedy, the true image of a modern chief of state, was stupidly killed at the threshold of an already startling career, by the bullet of an unknown mur-

derer," said Alphand in the book. He makes no further comment on the "unknown murderer" theory.

Alphand was reported by the weekly magazine *Candide* yesterday to have given the first copy of the book to Mrs. John F. Kennedy. Only 300 copies of the book are being published. They are being sold at prices ranging from \$300 to \$1,000.