2nd JFK Probe—Gains Support

By EARL GOLZ

Rep. Henry Gonzalez of San Antonio said here Friday that within the past week more than 20 fellow congressmen have "expressed an interest and a desire to pursue" a reopening of the investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Dr. Robert Joling, president of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, predicted before he appeared on the same panel discussion with Gonzalez that within six months "enough political clout" could be mustered to reopen probes of the 1953 assassination in Dallas and others since then.

Joling said that if "half a dozen congressmen and two or three senators would get behind it, it would be a very short time" until investigations are launched into President Kennedy's death, the assassinations of Sen. Robert Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King and the attempted assassination of Alabama Gov. George Wallace.

Gonzalez said public sentiment "is picking up . . . for some national body other than the presidential commission which was first appointed" to take a closer look at the JFK assassination. ported Friday that the presidntial panel on CIA actities is investigating "the possibility that the CIA withheld information from the Warren Commission about a plot to assassinate Cuban Premier Fidel Castro."

Gonzalez and Joling appeared with former New York Congressmen Allard Lowenstein on a symposium on assassinations at the Underwood Law Library on the campus of Southern Methodist University.

Lowenstein, who has traveled around the country speaking about the 1968 assassination of Sen. Robert Kennedy, asserts that as many as 10 bullets may have been fired when RFK was killed at close range in the pantry of a Los Angeles hotel. Sirhan Sirhan, the man convicted of shooting RFK, had a gun that could shoot only eight bullets. Only seven bullets were recovered.

claimed every Joling the member American 1,500-member Forensic Academy Sciences who has "thoroughly studied it (the JFK assassination) would say the Commission is Warren wrong." He speculates that as many as seven bullets could have been fired on Nov. 22, 1963, in Dealey Plaza and that there is a "reasonable possibility" that only one bullet came from the sixth floor mindow of the Texas Book Depository.

That builet, from the perch where the Warren Commission concluded Lee Harvey Oswald fired all three shots that it totaled, could have struck then Texas Gov. John Connally, Joling said. If it did, he asserted, it did not first pass through the neck of President Kemedy as the Warren Commission claimed.

From three-fourths of a second to one and a half seconds elapsed between the time Kennedy and Connally were shot, Joling said. The bolt action rifle that Oswald was supposed to have used can't be fired any faster than 2.3 seconds. The Warren Commission concluded that its total of three shots were fired in 6.5 seconds, he said.

Although little, if any, of the information presented during the symposium was new about the JFK assassination, none of about 300 mostly students who were there indicated the probe should not be reopened when a poll was taken. They voted the same way about the RFK assassination.

Gonzalez has asked the House of Representatives to name a 7-member committee to investigate the three essassinations and the attempt on the life of Wallace. He has said the committee must determine if JFK's death "was in retallation to the Bay of Pigs invasion against Cuba, and what connection did Os-Jack waid's murder, Ruby, also dead, have with all of this."

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