

# WARREN PANEL OPENS KENNEDY INQUIRY, SEEKS SUBPENA POWER

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## Commission Meets Under Guard—FBI, Other Agencies to Submit Reports

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 5 (AP)—Guarded by uniformed security police, the presidential commission investigating President John F. Kennedy's assassination began its deliberations today.

Chief Justice Earl Warren, presiding, sat at the head of a table in a conference room of the National Archives Building.

The six other members of the commission created last Friday by President Lyndon B. Johnson were ranged three on each side of the table.

Deputy Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach, though not a member of the commission, was listed to participate in this session. He arrived just after it began.

### 2½-Hour Session

The Commission met for 2½ hours. At the conclusion of the meeting, Warren announced that the commission would ask Congress for subpoena power.

The commission will meet again tomorrow.

At the close of the session reporters were admitted and Warren spoke briefly. He said the commission still has no reports on findings of the Federal Bureau of Investigation or any other government agencies inquiring into Mr. Kennedy's assassination in Dallas Nov. 22.

"The commission has a very sad and very solemn duty to perform, but one that is of great importance to the country," Warren said in preface to the announcement that the commission would ask for subpoena powers.

With the subpoena power, the commission would be able to summon reluctant witnesses, if it decides to broaden its inquiry beyond the evaluation of the exhaustive report being compiled by the FBI and to be supple-

mented by finding of six other federal agencies.

### No Word on Hearings

There was no indication, however, that the commission actually planned to hold hearings.

The sole purpose of today's session was to organize the machinery and procedures for a top-level appraisal of all investigative reports on the killing of Mr. Kennedy in Dallas Nov. 22.

Two policemen stood at the door of the room and a half dozen others were stationed in the wide corridor. The front entrance to the building on Pennsylvania avenue was blocked to visitors. They could, however, enter by another door to view the relics and documents preserved in the building.

The entire section of the second floor where the meeting was held was blocked off by gates with steel bars at points where other corridors entered. Each gate was guarded by police.

### Wants Details Disclosed

One of the members Representative Hale Boggs (Dem.) Louisiana, told a reporter the commission should leave "a detailed record for the people behind us."

Boggs said, "I don't want the same situation we have now, with a play running on Broadway with the theme: who shot Abraham Lincoln?"

Boggs said he could not say whether the commission should hold public hearings.

Besides Warren and Boggs, members of the commission are: Senators Richard B. Russell (Dem.), Georgia, and John Sherman Cooper (Rep.), Kentucky; Representative Gerald R. Ford (Rep.), Michigan; Allen W. Dulles, former head of the Central Intelligence Agency, and John J. McCloy, former United States high commissioner for Germany.

A presidential order empowers the commission to "evaluate all available information" on the shooting in Dallas and to conduct "any further investigation it deems desirable."

Federal Bureau of Investigation agents in Dallas are still searching for evidence on the accused assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald, and the subsequent killing of Oswald by Jack Ruby, owner of Dallas night club. Ruby is to go on trial Feb. 3.

The FBI asked the Eastman Kodak laboratories in Dallas to send memorandums to all those who had sent in film for processing. The memorandums request that camera owners get in touch

with the FBI if their prints show pictures of the assassin.

The Department of Justice said that Leon Jaworski, Houston attorney who has been named to head the Texas state investigation of the assassination, conferred at the department yesterday.

Jaworski, a prosecutor at the Nuremberg, Germany, trials of Nazi war criminals after World War II, talked for an hour with Deputy Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach. The nature of the exchange was not disclosed.

The state court of inquiry into the assassination may begin late this month, Texas Attorney General Waggoner Carr said.

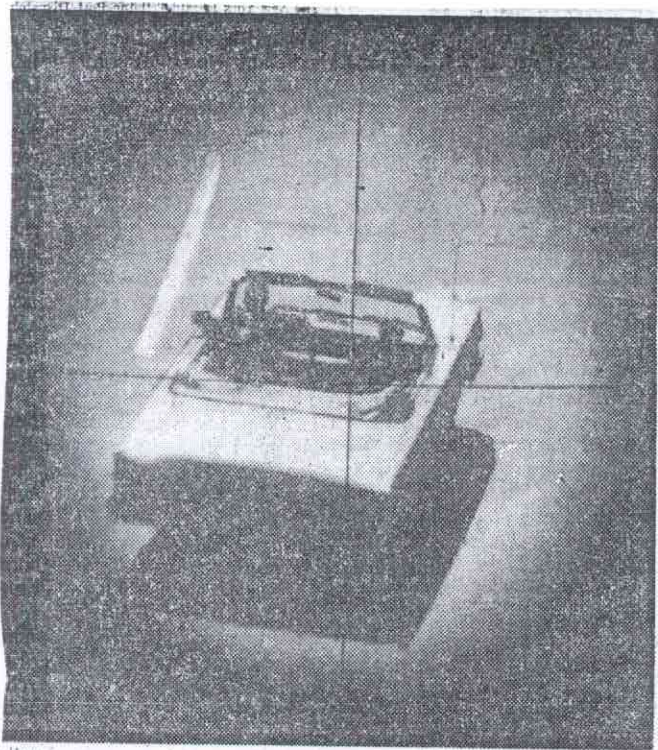
### Mexico Turns in Data

Meantime, the co-operation of the Mexican government in the far-ranging investigation was praised by United States Ambassador Thomas C. Mann. Mann reported in Mexico City that the government is turning over to this country all facts of its investigation into Oswald's trip to Mexico from Sept. 26 to Oct. 3.

The inquiry confirmed that Oswald, a former United States Marine who had lived in Russia and sought Soviet citizenship, had arrived in Mexico City by bus on Sept. 27, checked into an inexpensive hotel, and on the next day went to the Cuban embassy to seek a visa to visit Russia by way of Cuba.

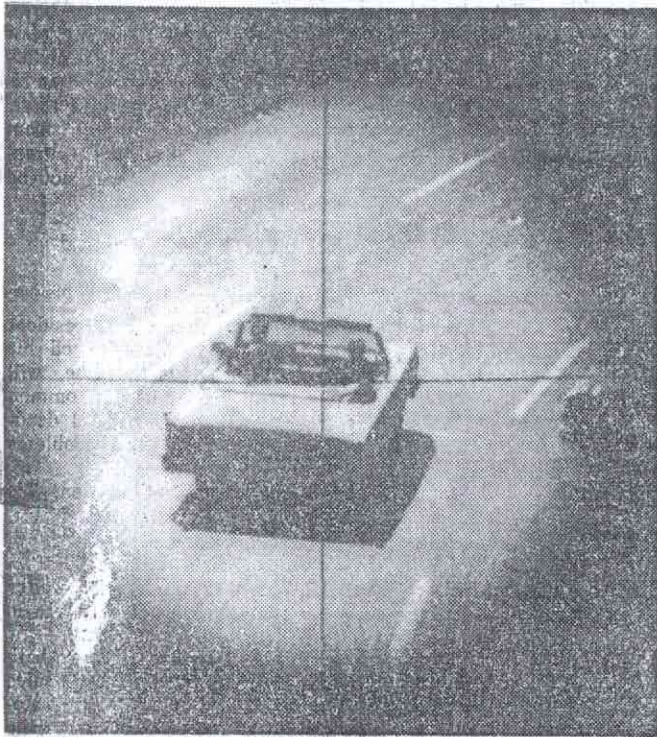
Oswald left in anger, the government said, when told there would be a delay of several weeks.



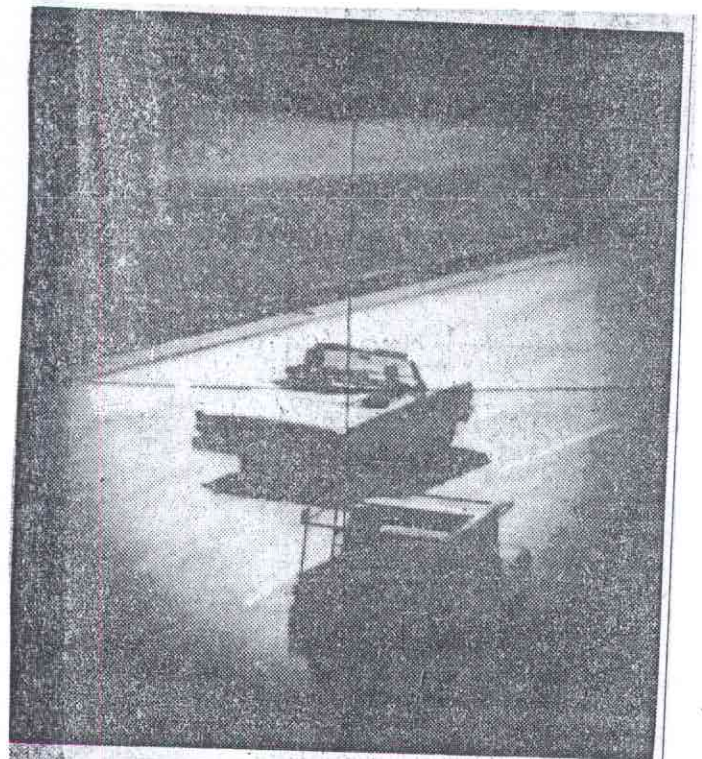


## Assassination Re-enacted

This is what the assassin of President John F. Kennedy would have seen looking through a four-power telescopic rifle sight as he fired the first of three shots from the Texas Book Depository's sixth floor.



The slowly-moving automobile back in the cross-hairs after the photographer paused to rewind his 35 mm. camera.



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The setting for the third shot after a second rewinding of the camera on which the telescope was mounted.