

Oswald Didn't Act on Own, Prosecutor Says

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connected with the DA's investigation.

Several members of the Warren Commission were asked to comment on the New Orleans findings.

In Stamford, Conn., John J. McCloy, a member of the Commission, said "let's see what his evidence is."

"We are always aware that some evidence might turn up in this matter and we know that time is a factor in the favor of someone hunting such evidence," McCloy explained.

"We did not say that Oswald acted alone," he said. "We said we could find no credible evidence that he acted with anyone else."

McCloy said the commission investigated Oswald's activities in New Orleans and "the investigation, at least at that time, didn't produce anything."

"Maybe someone will come forward some day with credible evidence of a conspiracy," he said.

Rep. Gerald R. Ford (R-Mich.) also a member of the commission, said in Washington:

"If the district attorney has such information he should transmit it to the attorney general, whom I assume would transmit it immediately to the President."

Will Not Comment

Chief Justice Earl Warren, who headed the commission, indicated Friday he will not comment on stories developing in New Orleans about the Kennedy assassination.

Allen W. Dulles, former head of the Central Intelligence Agency and a member of the Warren Commission, said in Washington after hearing Garrison's account: "I know nothing of it. I have no comment."

Sen. Richard B. Russell (D-Ga.), a member of the Warren Commission, was not available in Washington for comment, but an aide indicated the senator has previously said he will not comment on such stories.

The Secret Service, the Justice Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, contacted in

Washington, said they would not comment.

At the news conference, Garrison was questioned about William Manchester's book, "The Death of a President," in which the author says Oswald acted alone.

"Manchester wasn't there at the assassination," Garrison said. "Neither was I, but my office has spent considerably more time investigating the assassination than Manchester did and it is my belief that man was wrong."

Cuban Sought

The States-Item said Garrison's office is seeking a "physically powerful and dangerous" Cuban man who "is believed to be one of a group of Cubans who reportedly hid behind a billboard on the parade route in Dallas Nov. 22, 1963."

In another development, David William Ferrie, part-time private investigator and operator of a local flying service, told the States-Item the district attorney's office informed him it had "positively uncovered a plot in New Orleans to assassinate Kennedy."

Ferrie was interrogated intensely by the district attorney's office in 1964 and talked with the FBI and the Secret Service, the newspaper said.

The States-Item said Garrison and his assistants were in Miami in January hunting for the Cuban man. The man now is believed to have fled to Cuba, Puerto Rico or possibly the Bahamas, the article said.

"The investigators who searched Miami inside and out for the Cuban were flashing his picture, taken on a New Orleans street while he was distributing 'Fair Play for Cuba' pamphlets with Oswald," the States-Item said.

The picture was taken with telephoto lens and blown up with care, rendered good details of the man with Oswald, the newspaper said.

Ferrie was quoted as saying he was served with a subpoena recently to appear before the Orleans Parish grand jury. When he reported, however, he

asked the district attorney's office wanted to see him.

Ferrie said he was asked to make a full accounting of his activities the week Kennedy was killed. He said he couldn't remember and asked to look at a copy of a statement he gave the FBI immediately after the assassination.

Ferrie said he and two friends flew to Texas late in the day of Nov. 22—the day of the assassination on a vacation.

"We went to Houston Galveston and then back to Alexandria, La.," the newspaper quoted Ferrie as saying.

Ferrie said he never knew Oswald.

In Detroit, Earl Ruby, brother of Jack Ruby, said he has never been contacted by New Orleans authorities. Jack Ruby was convicted as the slayer of Oswald.

The Ruby family attorney, Sol Dann, said: "It looks as though we may not yet be through with the most fantastic of events (the assassination) if they have any evidence, or if any indictments are to be issued, they will not indict a dead man. So that leaves Jack Ruby out. I wish them all the success in the world."