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"By CHRIS WHITCRAFT X W Lee Harvey Oswald is innocent of the murders of President John F. Kennedy and Dallas Policeman J. D. Tippet, onetime Oswald family defense slawyer Mark Lane said Thursday night in a two-hour defense. librief before 350 students in The

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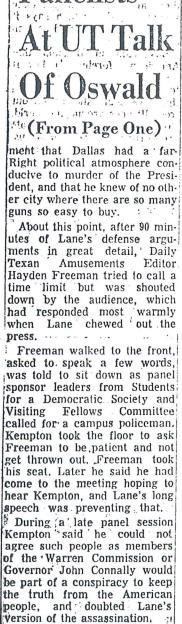
Lane's defense was called eloquent by panelist Fred Cohen, UT law professor.

Murray Kempton, a New Republic editor on campus as a visiting fellow, and Cohen joined Lane in criticising the con-7 duct of Dallas District Attorney" Henry Wade during the days the television cameras of the na-1? tion were beamed on Dallas after the assassination." They said" Wade's actions and statements prejudiced Oswald's-rights under the law.

Lane argued that two or three other persons in arconspira cy shot the President from a a railway overpass as the limousine drove away from the Tex- :1 as Book Depository building. He said Parkland hospital doctors reported a wound in the Presis dent's throat came from the bulk ilet's entry, but they changed i their story later at insistence of the Secret Service. |

He attacked the Warren Commission investigating the murder as a "star chamber" violating American principles and predicted the truth will never be told in an effort to protect America's image. Lane spent almost as much. time lambasting the press for "conditioning the American" "conditioning public to Oswala's guilt and failing to print the defense story as he did criticizing the other official investigators, Wade and the Dallas police : "In [chief] He drew a strong round of hisses from the students when he

tried to develop the line of argu's . (See PANELISTS, Page 4)



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Cohen suggested that despite bungling, the Dallas police did stumble on the right man when they captured Oswald. Cohen said he did not think the FBI could silence Parkland Hospital doctors or other men of good faith. . .