

Carr Says LBJ Suggested Assass

LUBBOCK, Oct. 21 (AP) — Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr Tuesday revealed that President Johnson gave him the go-ahead on a Texas probe of the John F. Kennedy assassination in Dallas.

The attorney general said that on the day the slain President was buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Johnson called him and suggested that Texas conduct its own investigation.

Carr said the President desired a Texas probe of the assassination because Johnson did not want it to appear that he had to send federal agents to Texas in order to get the facts.

The state attorney general said a statement was prepared for him to make concerning the Texas investigation at a press conference, but that he was advised to answer no questions and not to disclose that he had talked with President Johnson.

"It was to look as if it were my own decision," he said, adding that when he made the announcement before members of the world press "all the venom against Texas poured on me."

Carr described the press conference scene as "disgraceful."

The attorney general spoke to about 300 persons attending a local civic club luncheon. He also described what he called an attempt by Chief Justice Earl Warren to prevent the

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Texas probe.

He said that he and Leon Jaworski, Houston attorney who was a special counsel in the state's inquiry, were told in Washington that Warren was opposed to a Texas inquiry and that he was "to drop any plans for a state investigation."

"This we refused to do," Carr said, "and for three days he (Warren) kept us waiting before he would see us."

On the third day, Carr con-

tinued, "I told the Justice Department people to tell Warren that I was headed back to Texas and was going to call the court of inquiry and call on the federal government to give us all its facts in the investigation."

Then, before he and Jaworski could leave Washington, Carr said he received an invitation by letter to take part in the investigation and he and the Houston lawyer met with the

chief justice in a night conference.

"I can only guess what brought about the change of heart," Carr told newsmen after the speech. He said matters went smoothly after it was established that Texas would take part in the Warren Commission hearings.

"Everything, at all times, was made available to us," he said.