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Warren Panel Aide Calls for 2d Inquiry Into Kennedy Killing

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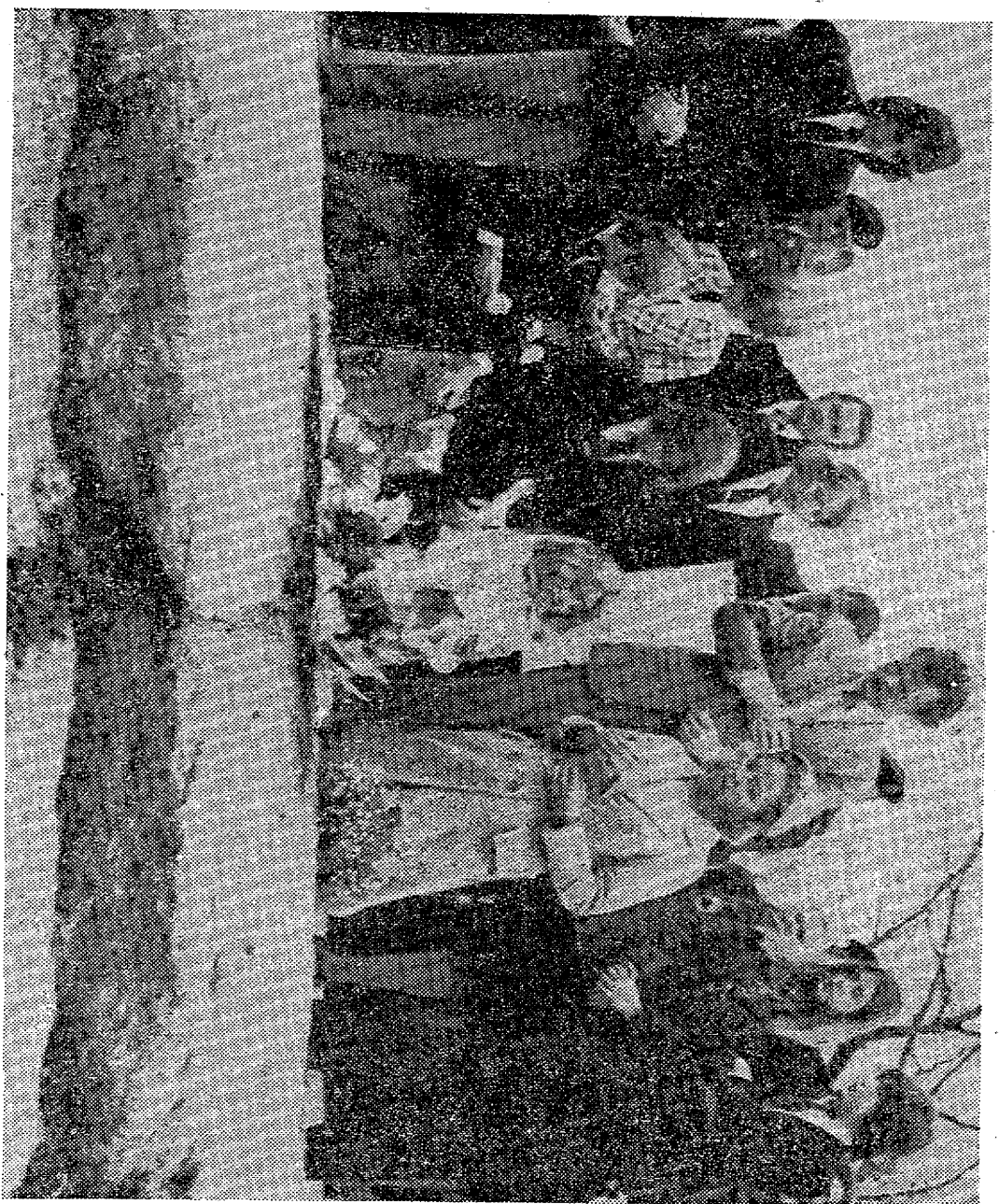
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WASHINGTON, Nov. 22—A senior member of the Warren Commission staff called on Congress today to reopen the inquiry into President Kennedy's death because of new questions posed by findings of United States involvement in assassination plots against foreign leaders.

David W. Belin, who was a counsel to the commission under the late Chief Justice Earl Warren that investigated the assassination and chief counsel to the commission under Vice President Rockefeller that inquired into the operations of the Central Intelligence Agency, said he was confident that a new inquiry would not upset the Warren Commission conclusion that Lee Harvey Oswald alone killed President Kennedy and J. D. Tippit, a Dallas policeman.

"The primary reason for this request is that I believe it would greatly contribute toward a rebirth of confidence and trust in government," Mr. Belin said in a statement issued on the

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Senator Edward M. Kennedy and Mrs. Robert F. Kennedy visiting the grave of President John F. Kennedy at Arlington cemetery yesterday, the 12th anniversary of the President's death. Children from both families are with them.

2D INQUIRY ASKED IN KENNEDY DEATH

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12th anniversary of President Kennedy's assassination in Dallas.

The Warren Commission concluded that Oswald had acted alone.

But Mr. Belin declined to rule out that a new inquiry might discover a conspiracy.

"The Central Intelligence Agency, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Robert Kennedy in his capacity as Attorney General of the United States," he said, "failed to disclose to the Warren Commission evidence concerning plots to assassinate Cuban Premier Fidel Castro."

Mr. Belin found this "inexcusable." He also chastised the F.B.I. for withholding a letter Oswald wrote shortly before the assassination threatening to blow up a Dallas police station.

Mr. Belin had steadfastly supported the Warren Commission's findings. However, it was while serving on the Rockefeller Commission staff that he learned of the extensive Gov-



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ernment plots to kill Mr. Castro. He suggested that a Congressional investigation examine "whether or not there is any credible evidence of a foreign conspiracy."

"The Warren Commission found none," he said, "but the Warren Commission did not have any information concerning the C.I.A. assassination plots."

Senators Richard S. Schweiker, Republican of Pennsylvania, and Gary Hart, Democrat of Colorado, are conducting an investigation into whether the Senate Select Commi-

tee on Intelligence should formally ask Congress to reopen the Kennedy assassination case.

Both are members of the select committee that issued a 347-page report Thursday that found that United States officials had "instigated" plots to kill two foreign leaders and had known about or supported the overthrow of three others that had resulted in their deaths. The report found no evidence that the C.I.A. had carried out any assassinations.

The report found that on the day Mr. Kennedy was killed the C.I.A. was equipping an operative, code-named Am/Lash, with a poison pen device to kill Mr. Castro.

Allen W. Dulles, former Director of Central Intelligence, knew of the early stages of the plotting, according to the report, but apparently never advised the Warren Commission of it even though he was a member.

Mr. Belin believes that the bulk of the criticism of the commission is unfounded. Moreover, he said, "many of the most extreme and vocal critics have deliberately misrepresented the overall record of evidence before the Warren Commission." As a result, he said, the public has been misled. He said he believes a new

inquiry could restore confidence in the original commission findings and thus restore confidence in United States leadership as an institution.

He said that he had instituted a freedom of information request for the government agencies to release all information in their possession pertaining to the assassination, including autopsy photographs and X-rays. He believes this evidence would immediately lay to rest questions about whether one or two gunmen fired at the President.

What has made many in Congress anxious about the growing pressure to reopen the inquiry is that with the passage of 12 years, the loss of records, memories and the death of several principals, it may be impossible to establish any new information.

Students Lay Wreath

DALLAS, Nov. 22 (UPI)—Two dozen students from a high school bearing John F. Kennedy's name placed a wreath today at the President's memorial to commemorate the 12th anniversary of the assassination. Mr. Kennedy visited the building site for the new San Antonio High School on Nov. 21, 1963, and told students he would return for the dedication. Then he flew to Dallas, where he was slain.