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In Doubt

The President of the United States is reportedly concerned about the death of 15 people in Texas at the hands of a sniper. Many people are concerned about this mass killing and the killing of eight nurses three weeks ago in Chicago.

In the context of everyday crime, both were huge crimes. But neither was the worst crime committed in America in this decade. That crime occurred November 22, 1963, in Dallas.

A prime suspect is under arrest for the Chicago murders. A mentally disturbed young man was clearly responsible for the tragedy in Austin. These crimes appear solved. But the biggest crime of this decade, of this century, the murder of John F. Kennedy, is not solved today.

AS MENTIONED here before, some startling books are being published this summer which show the Warren Commission, which found Lee Harvey Oswald alone guilty of President Kennedy's death, was wrong.

Slowly, in articles published in widely scattered places, the case against the Warren Commission is growing. I find it difficult to imagine that persons in high places will not soon recognize the glaring inconsistencies in the Warren Report and begin to demand an explanation from the United States gov-

ernment.

A local magazine has made a significant contribution to the attack on the Warren Report. The magazine published a lengthy study on the report, based on in-depth interview with Philadelphia Dist. Atty. Arlen Specter, the member of the Warren Commission who prepared the key sections of the report dealing with the assassination and the autopsy.

CONFRONTED with the dozens of inconsistencies in the report, including the discrepancy between autopsy reports prepared by the FBI and the "official" autopsy report of the commission, Specter was unable to convincingly defend the Warren Commission's conclusion that Oswald acted alone.

If there is one man in this country who could explain away the challenges being made to the Warren Commission's work, it would be Arlen Specter. And he cannot. He can only argue that the commission had hard evidence that Oswald fired at President Kennedy and therefore all other evidence indicating the probability of at least one other assassin is inconclusive.

The interview with Specter clearly shows the commission guilty of the major charge being made against it, that it started with the conclusion that Oswald alone was the murderer and then arranged a series of improbable events and a few impossibilities to support this conclusion.

THIS THING is getting too much publicity to long remain a quiet issue. Soon somebody of substance, perhaps an influential senator or congressman, is going to read some of this stuff and come to the same conclusions that others are reaching.

The Warren Commission, whether through a massive blunder or intentionally, has not explained the death of an American President.