

## \$3495 Paid Dallas Mortician for JFK

The General Services Administration ended a year of negotiations with a Dallas mortician yesterday and agreed to pay him \$3495 for services rendered on the day of President John F. Kennedy's assassination.

The Oneal Funeral Home of Dallas, headed by Vernon B. Oneal, provided a bronze casket and a hearse to transport the President's body from Parkland Hospital to an Air Force base for the flight to Washington.

Subsequently, a GSA spokesman said, the agency received a bill for \$3995, which it considered somewhat out of line.

After GSA accountants requested an itemization, the funeral home knocked \$500 off the bill, but the amount was still questioned, the Government spokesman said.

In March of last year, the Oneal firm was asked to submit a third bill. A month later, Oneal came to Washington to talk with the GSA, but nothing was resolved.

It was all threshed out yesterday afternoon during a meeting in the office of Rep. Earle Cabell (D-Tex.) and attended by Oneal and GSA officials.

Cabell, a former Dallas mayor who won election to Congress last November, had this to say afterward:

"The account has been settled in full to the complete satisfaction of both parties.

"The delay has been caused by a misunderstanding with reference to certain items on the bill, which have now been completely clarified to the satisfaction of the GSA."