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WHO KILLED KILGALLEN?

WASHINGTON (ZNS)— After some two years of delay, the FBI has agreed to release its classified files on the late columnist (and *What's My Line* panelist) Dorothy Kilgallen. The reported 165 pages of documents will be released by Kilgallen's son, Kerry Kollmar, who has been attempting to make them public in efforts to uncover new evidence in the JFK assassination case.

Kollmar and writer Lee Israel, who is currently working on a biography of Kilgallen,

charge that the columnist was the target of extensive illegal surveillance by the FBI and the CIA after she launched her own investigation of the Kennedy case in early 1964. Kollmar also says that the CIA possesses at least 20 pages of information on Kilgallen, which the agency refused to release.

Kilgallen died of a drug overdose in 1965 under circumstances which some critics charge were mysterious. Just prior to her death, she had per-

sonally interviewed Jack Ruby in his jail cell, and had alleged that there was a major cover-up in the Kennedy murder. Kilgallen, in many of her columns for the Hearst newspapers, had alleged as early as 1964 that there was a "Cuban connection" behind the assassination.



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