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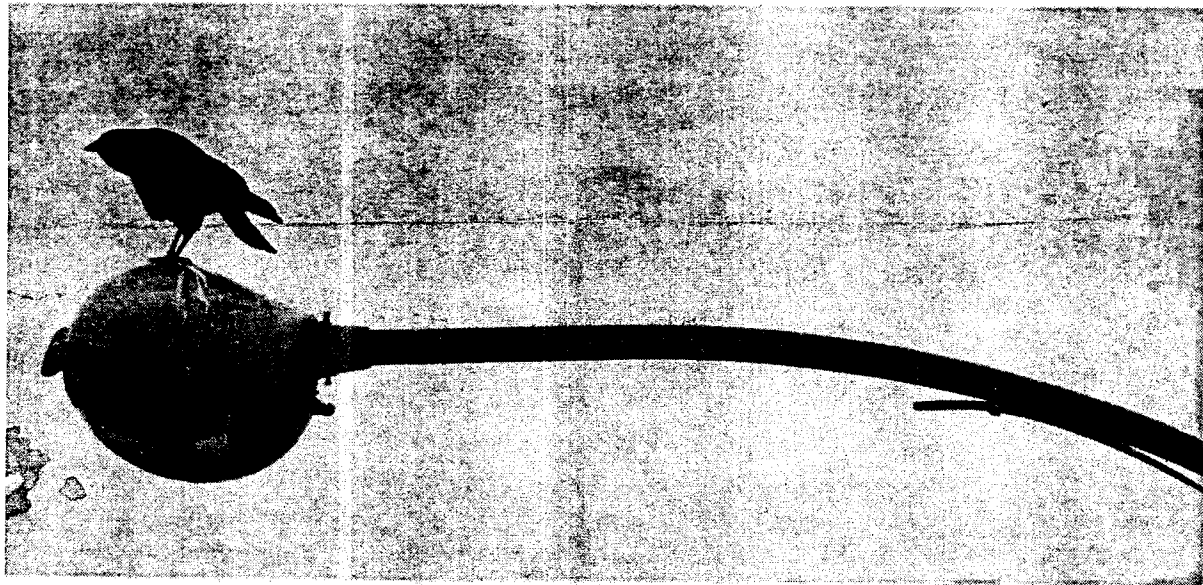
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WE AIDED OSWALD, EX-DETECTIVE SAYS

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It grow cold outdoors these dreary winter days—crow's feet being no exception. We found this fellow warming his on a lamp along the George Washington Parkway near the 14th-st Bridge late yesterday, making his modernistic perch a sort of crowbar, we suppose. —News Photo by Geoffrey Gilbert

Government agencies that don't know what to do about leave when it snows might take a lesson from private firm which John Cramer tells about, on page 2.

late President Kennedy's political team met 24 hours after his death to consider a Robert Kennedy-berth Humphrey ticket, says William Manchester in his book. Page 2.

China said peace talks on Vietnam wouldn't

begin with cessation of American bombing, unless troops were withdrawn too. And Secretary McNamara said "impartial" Asian leaders have recommended against halting bombing. Page 3.

Nationalist Chinese reported at Hong Kong that more than 1000 persons were killed in a clash of pro and anti-Mao factions in Red China's Szechuan Province. Page 3.

Another sign that spring isn't far away is an-

nouncement of The Washington Daily News Spelling Bee, on Page 5.

Some 30,000 copies of the National Crime Commission report are in the hands of government and law enforcement officers, as the opening step in the national war on crime. Page 14.

A number of little things seem to add up to a change in President Johnson's public personality lately, and correspondent Ted Knap describes the situation on Page 21.

Wuzzlers: There's \$2500 in It for You Now

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New Orleans Probe

Says 5 Aided Oswald

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20 (UP) —A former private detective says five persons were involved with Lee Harvey Oswald in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, and he knows their identities.

David Lewis, a bus station

months before the assassination in Dallas, Nov. 22, 1963.

Mr. Garrison, who has blasted the Warren Commission report which ruled there was no conspiracy, said he would not turn over his investigation either to the FBI or the Department of Justice.

"I am running this investigation," Mr. Garrison said yesterday, "not the Attorney General. I am in charge of this operation and I'm not about to turn it over to anybody."

Mr. Garrison said he would welcome Federal assistance, but would not relinquish control.

FORD'S STAND

His statement came as House Republican Leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan, a member of the Warren Commission, said that any evidence uncovered in the case should "immediately" be turned over to Federal authorities.

Mr. Garrison was certain the investigation would bear out his assertions of a conspiracy. "There will be, without a shadow of a doubt, convictions resulting from my charges," he said.

Oswald was born in New Orleans and spent much of his youth here. He lived with his wife here for six months in 1963, moving to Dallas just a few weeks before the assassination.



JIM GARRISON

express handler who worked as a private investigator here in the months before the assassination, said yesterday he has the names of the five persons allegedly involved in the planning phase of the plot on the President's life.

But Mr. Lewis said he would not disclose the names of the alleged conspirators until permitted to do so by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison, who this weekend said the plot to assassinate Mr. Kennedy was hatched in New Orleans. Mr. Garrison charged that Oswald had plenty of help in devising the scheme, and vowed he would prove it.

VOVS ARRESTS

Mr. Garrison promised arrests and convictions from his investigation into the murder of President Kennedy.

Mr. Lewis, who identified himself as one of the witnesses upon whose testimony Mr. Garrison's case will be constructed, said the five persons allegedly involved are still in New Orleans. Oswald was here for six

Discredibility Gap Blamed on War

Former White House Press Secretary Bill D. Moyers has acknowledged that the Johnson administration suffers from a "credibility gap," but it is mostly because of the complexities of the Vietnam war.

"This is a difficult war to understand and therefore is an easy war to misunderstand," he said.

Mr. Moyers, who quit as the President's top aide to become publisher of Newday, the Long Island, N.Y., newspaper, said Sunday:

"A President — Mr. Johnson in this case — who is forced to use arms in the pursuit of an objective and yet wants to make peace is caught in an obvious contradictory position . . ."

marks in a television interview (Meet the Press—NBC). (UP)



—UPI Photo

EMBATTLED POLITICIAN — India's President Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan called on Prime Minister Mrs. Indira Gandhi at her home after Mrs. Gandhi was hit in the face by a rock thrown as she spoke at a political rally. Mrs. Gandhi's nose was broken. Voting goes on over a period of several days ending tomorrow. There has been sporadic violence and the son of a Parliament member was held after he fired a shotgun at a crowd of villagers in his father's election district.

EARLY DUMP JOHNSON MOVE

Kennedy Team Eyed RFK-HHH for '64

NEW YORK, Feb. 20 (UP) — Just 24 hours after his assassination, President Kennedy's political team met to discuss a Robert F. Kennedy-Rubert H. Humphrey presidential ticket for 1964, author William Manchester said today.

But the President's grief-stricken aides soon realized that political realities would preclude such a ticket and the muscling out of President Johnson and abandoned the idea, Mr. Manchester said.

The disclosures, from his book "The Death of A President," were made in the final article of a four-part serialization in LOOK Magazine.

Mr. Manchester said historian Arthur Schlesinger, Mr. Kennedy's special assistant, arranged the meeting at a Washington restaurant and broached the idea.

TOO SOON

Quoting from the diary of economist John Kenneth Galbraith, who attended the session, Mr. Manchester wrote: "Arthur . . . was reacting far too quickly to the chemistry of the moment . . . This (ticket) was fantasy, unless of course Johnson stumbles unbelievably . . . or even then."

"Schlesinger . . . conferred with (Democratic National Committee) Chairman John Bailey, asking him whether it would be possible to deny the new President the nomination, Mr. Manchester wrote. "John, according

to Schlesinger's account, replied 'it might be technically feasible, but the result would be to lose the election for the Democrats.'"

Neither Mr. Bailey nor Mr. Schlesinger were immediately available for comment.

Another trouble spot was Mr. Johnson's first cabinet meeting, also the day after the assassination. Mr. Manchester said Robert Kennedy happened into the meeting late interrupting the new President's opening statements.

EMBARRASSED

Mr. Manchester said Mr. Johnson told one of the Cabinet members that the consequences of Mr. Kennedy's tardiness "had been deeply embarrassing; by entering in the middle of the President's remarks, the Attorney General had destroyed their effect."

Mr. Johnson was convinced, Mr. Manchester wrote, that Robert Kennedy was bent on humiliating him and that his "real problem" was the Attorney General he had liberated from the assassinated President.

Also the Cabinet members and White House aides offered the traditional resignations upon Mr. Johnson's ascendance, the new President refused to accept them, telling the Kennedy appointees and advisers he needed them more than they needed him.

But, said Mr. Manchester,

when Mr. Johnson grew more sure of himself, he began to mold his own team.

"Afterward . . . the very mention of their names would annoy him," the article said. "Within a year he would even resent the Kennedy aura itself, and became so sensitive to it that any Secret Service man or White House chauffeur who wore a PT-109 tie clip would run the risk of incurring the presidential wrath."

LETTER

Meanwhile, in the immediate aftermath of the tragedy, Mrs. John F. Kennedy divided her time between sentimental gestures of farewell to her husband, and writing a grief-concealing letter to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev.

"You and he (Kennedy) were adversaries," Mrs. Kennedy wrote, according to the article, "but you were allied in the determination that the world would not be blown up . . . I know that President Johnson will continue the policy in which my husband so deeply believed . . . a policy of control and restraint — and he will need your help."

The widow, Mr. Manchester said, put a lengthy, impassioned letter into the President's coffin, along with a pair of steel gold cufflinks she had given her husband and a whale's tooth carved with the presidential seal.



9 to 4:30

Firm Shows Way to Ho Snow 'l

By JOHN CRAMER

D. C. area Federal officials, with their hardboiled policy toward employees who fail to report to work on heavy snow days, might well take a look at the way one enlightened private firm handled problems arising from that big snow of Tuesday, Feb. 7.

I give them Nationwide Insurance Companies, with some 700 employees in a regional office at Annapolis.

Now Nationwide did not close on that particular Tuesday — although many other firms in the area (and a considerable number of Government installations) did.

Nationwide employees who reported for work were excused two hours early — just as were the estimated 60 per cent of Federal employees who made it to their jobs in Washington.

Here, however, comes the difference.

Nationwide officials later decided they had made a mistake (in effect, misjudged the severity of the storm) by opening on that particular day. So this was their very decent decision:

• Employees unable to report will be paid for the day, regardless.

• Those who did report will

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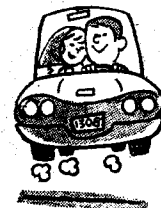
I'M SORRY SIR, THIS IS A PROGRESSIVE COMPANY. WE NEVER HIRE ANYONE OVER THIRTY-TWO.

be paid — and also will extra half-day of annual

By contrast, the best it be said for the way most area agencies handled that 7 problem is that some less hardboiled than other

• Some charged a fraction of annual leave to those failed to report to work

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