

British Book Will Defend

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LONDON, Dec. 28 (UPI)—

Another controversial book on the Kennedy family will appear in Britain in 1967, it was disclosed today.

Its author said it has not been commissioned by nor approved by the Kennedys.

The book, by British author and former diplomatic correspondent George Bilainkin, 63, will defend the policies advocated by Joseph P. Kennedy, father of the late President, during his period as ambassa-

dor to Great Britain from 1938 to 1940.

Kennedy has been fiercely assailed in Britain for allegedly predicting the Nazis would defeat this country and for urging President Franklin D. Roosevelt to withhold aid from Britain.

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Bilainkin, who claims to have known Ambassador Kennedy well, told UPI:

"I am writing this book because, knowing him as I did, I bitterly resented the campaign of calumnies directed against

him for reasons I could not fathom by every newspaper of every political party in Britain during the past 20 to 25 years.

"I plan to tell the truth as I see it as a historian rather than to please any audience."

Bilainkin said he knew Kennedy as diplomatic correspondent for Britain's Kensley newspaper group in 1938-40. He said a diary he kept at the time recorded at least 40 meetings with Kennedy during 1940 alone.

Bilainkin said, "rather than advocating a policy of defeat-

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ism, Kennedy asked me every time we met, 'What more can we in the United States do to help you? You tell me, George.'"

The book will be published in Great Britain next July or August, Bilainkin said. He said it also may appear in the United States.

Bilainkin said his own book will seek to prove that Kennedy senior was never pro-German.

"The Kennedy I knew and respected was not pro-Nazi, not anti-British, not yellow and not eager to run," Bilainkin said.

Blankin said he has kept in touch with the Kennedy family

and corresponded with the former ambassador until recently.

He said the family is aware he is writing a book about Kennedy's term as ambassador to the Court of St. James, but did not commission it. He said he also has made no commitments to the Kennedy family about the contents of the book. "