the horrible crime of assassination. It is less uncomfortable to believe the assassin was insane or at least unbalanced. Individually and nationally, thinking about assassinations turns toward the search for explanations more acceptable than the obvious . . . . .

"By their nature, and because they are political, assassinations usually involve conspiracy. One man, acting alone, is rarely in a position to execute an assassination."

Unless the American public demands the truth, they will continue to receive reports such as the Warren Report, which covered up the conspiracy to kill President Kennedy. Failure to expose the truth becomes all the more critical in view of the assassination of Robert Kennedy. Unless people demand the facts, the hidden, well-organized agency involved in these assassinations will continue to exist unexposed.

St. Paul. —James Hassing.

To the Editor: Maybe we had to wait 200 years to find out. But it's possible that the most eloquent measure of success in a truly democratic republic is also its most tragic downfall; that its public figures can become, to some, intensely private property—disposable, for your personal convenience.

Minneapolis. —Judith Cohen.

To the Editor: I think that God has been trying to get our attention as a nation. In 1963 the court banned prayer and Bible reading from our schools, and we lost a president. We were asked to pray then, but the seed had been sown and now we keep on reaping. A civil rights leader is dead, a senator is shot. How many more must die at home and in Vietnam before America turns back to God in repentance?

Fridley. —Rev. G. Mark Denyes.

To the Editor: It is now well established that the government of the United States can not or will not protect the citizens of this country. Yet, the anti-gun people are using this last tragedy as an excuse to raise their voices in condemnation of "The Gun." They would disarm everyone and leave us all at the mercy of the kooks and criminals. Wouldn't it be a better idea to arm every American male and let him protect his own?? This system worked well in Switzerland, where every male is required to keep a rifle or machine-gun in his home and to be proficient in its use. True, this is intended for the protection of the country, but criminals soon got the message that it isn't too safe to attack an armed man or household, and crime of all sorts is low.

Evansville, Minn. —Richard J. Juul.

ings and assassinations will it take before this country of ours gets an adequate gun control law?

St. Louis Park. —Neil Isbin.

To the Editor: I quote from "Whitewash —The Report on the Warren Report," by Harold Weisberg:

"Nations and people are reluctant to believe that any among them is capable of