

KCBS San Francisco

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excerpt from newscast ( read by local announcer Larry Cooper )

In the wake of mounting interest in the assassination of President Kennedy, CBS is negotiating for the television rights to President Ford's book on Lee Harvey Oswald. CBS expected to finalize arrangements with MGM and Now (phonetic) Productions this week for full TV rights to the book, "Portrait of The Assassin." It was co-authored by Gerald Ford in 1965 as an answer to critics of the Warren Commission investigation.

The work is the only book ever authored by Gerald Ford, and in it he paints a picture of Oswald as being a psychologically deranged individual who is driven by personal insecurities to carry out the assassination alone. CBS is expected to make a three-to-four hour documentary out of that book. [end excerpt]  
[transcribed from tape]

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Re: CBS 4/10/75. Copper reading item on Ford's book: I've not seen any story but I'd been told by phone that this item appeared in Variety. I'll be seeing low-level CBS people in NYC, one in particular who would carry no weight but might, considering the cash involved, introduce me. Thanks, LW 4/17/75