Seantor Thomas J. Dodd, former FBI agent who built a political career on prefessional anti-Communism, while besieged in the press, by his caolleggues and in an official Senatre proceeding concerned with his fine financial pecadillos, seized on the Garrison probe to launch another anti-Commist venture in the apparent but futile hope it would, magically as it had in the past, help him. According to the Associated Press of February 21, he asked the Warren ommission (which he well knew had not existe existed for more than two years) to "reopen its investigation to determine"

if Osweld "had Communist conspirators".

This, as Dodd slso
knew, is exactly the opposite
of the thrust of the New Orleans
investigation. Thus did Dodd,
in his own political and
personal desparation, make a
futile effort to earn help by
continuing to misdirect public
agtention.