Manchester Reopens Old Wounds

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Manchester book, "Death of a caused bitterness. President" actually goes deep- Continuing Rift er than the removal of cer-

tain emotionpacked paragraphs from the book. It really involves ill will smoldering between the two top political families of the Nation, an ill will which may influence

election.



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The particular paragraphs President.

She was so informed by Mr. Johnson's staff.

"What are we waiting for?" one of the Kennedy staff is will take off."

el are decided by the Secret of her husband's state funeral fifth wheel on the Kennedy The battle over the William Service. But the incident at St. Matthews Cathedral

After returning to Washingor two the course of history; certain height of consideration book.

When the Johnsons finally mained empty. with the body of her husband room had been occupied by the praise. to take the plane back to John F. Kennedy from 1961-Washington to find that the 1963. Many other Presidents Jackie's boycott of the White nedy. President's plane, Air Force had occupied that room. But House. Not once, since she deone, was now under the new only the name of John F. Kennedy is on the mantel.

> sure after returning from Dallas to Washington.

But the Kennedy family's reported as saying. A Johnson resentment against the Johnstaff member replied that sons continued. It became were waiting for the evident 30 days after the as-President. "Johnson now is sassination when no member two top political families of Little of this comes out in President. When he comes we of the family would attend the Nation had begun long be the Manchester book where the final memorial service fore the tragedy of Dallas, he is reported to be portrayed. There is no evidence in the ending the 30-day period of however. It began when sto- as ineffectual though brusque-

which had been attended by presidents and prime minis-

ton, the Johnsons remained in white and Negro clergymen, svelte jet-set scheme of things their own home in northwest Protestant and Jewish, met and that President Kennedy with Archbishop Patrick and that President Kennedy had a hard time conjuring up House where she remained memorial service at the Lin-projects to keep him busy. weeks until she coln Memorial in which non- This hurt the Vice Presmoved to the home of Ambas-gador Averell Harriman in The Archbishop cooperated in litical observers, that his pres-Georgetown. The Johnsons the true ecumenical spirit, ence on the ticket and his abilsuggested that she remain in But the Kennedys did not. Reity to carry several Southern the White House as long as peated requests were made to states tipped the balance in the White House as long as peated requests the member of convenient. They were the have at least one member of the very close race between height of consideration but the family present. Finally Kennedy and Nixon. ly the outcome of the next none of this appears in the Sergant Shriver said he would come. In the end his seat rewhich make the book worth moved in they found that Johnson spoke eloquently in tween him and the Vice Pres-\$650,000 to Look magazine, Jackie had had carved on the tribute to the late President, ident. But Johnson deeply retell how Mrs. Kennedy ar mantel in the Lincoln bed but no member of the Kennerived at the Dallas Airport room an inscription that the dy family was there to hear

> she returned, not even when Jackie regained her compo- the Johnsons dedicated the vice president he had almost den adjacent to the executive offices in her honor.

Long Smoldering Period

book that the new President mourning at which President ries began to be published by a grasping for the chance to had anything to do with this Johnson spoke.

Or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it; since Mrs. Kennedy had per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it with the per- by family that Vice President or even knew about it was a subject to the knew about the per- by family that Vice President or even knew about the per

details of the President's trav-| sonally arranged every detail Johnson was an unwanted Administration.

> He was pictured as a ters from around the world gawky, uncouth Texan who
> But afterwards a group of didn't fit into the Kennedys'

President Kennedy himself went out of his way to make President sure there was no friction besented the derogatory stories which came from some of the White House staff, and he This was the beginning of suspected - from Bobby Ken-

As Senate Majority Leader parted on Dec. 6, 1963, has he had been one of the busiest men in Washington. As Jacqueline Kennedy Rose Gar- nothing to do. He had plenty of time to brood. Undoubtedly this contributed to his determination to push hard, immediately after he became Presi-This friction between the dent, to prove his abilities.