

Salinger Drops Manchester Blast

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William Manchester

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9—There is disappointing news for former New Frontiersmen who don't like author William Manchester. Many one-time White House staff members who fared badly in his controversial "The Death of a President" have been eagerly awaiting publication of a magazine article that was calculated to displease him.

Pierre Salinger, presidential press secretary for both JFK and LBJ, wrote the piece. His agent in New York had already sent it out to editors for bids. Now it has been withdrawn from the market.

Salinger has decided not to prolong the clamor all the Kennedys would like to see quieted as soon as possible.

Salinger has in his possession some very revealing correspondence with Manchester on the subject of censorship. These letters came out of Salinger's private White House files.

Salinger's negotiations with Manchester date back to 1961, when the author was seeking authorization and assistance in preparation of his earlier Kennedy book, "Portrait of a President."

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