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By MORRIS CUNNINGHAM From The Commercial Appeal Washington Bureau

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ber of the Justice Department task force said the incident was considered and dis-counted by the task force in the course of its eight-month inquiry into the King case. e The inquiry was headed by Michael E. Shaheen Jr. former mayor of Como, Miss., who is director of the Justice Depart-ment's Office of Professional Responsibil-. King acted A 201-page report released Jan. 11, found that James Earl Ray killed Dr. and that the evidence indicates he a

to discuss Lehner's departure. The House is expected to vote this the assassination committee described week to spend another \$2.5 million to fin several "special projects" currently unish the investigations of the assassinations derway in each investigation. of President John F. Kennedy and the Rev.

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By MILES BENSON

Martin Luther King Jr., begun 16 months

researchers, consultants and other aides

assembled for the twin investigations has

now completed virtually all field work in

lect House Committee on Assassinations to

begin holding secret sessions three times

weekly to question witnesses in each case.

The closed-door sessions will continue

through the summer or fall, when the pan-

el will present its findings in a final round

of public hearings which may last another

City homicide prosecutor who led the task

force reinvestigating the King killing for

the past year, has left the committee staff.

It was Lehner who last year conducted ex-

tensive interviews in prison with James

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both cases, according to one source.

A team of 115 lawyers, investigators,

Plans now call for the 12-member Se-

"Some of these projects have never before been undertaken to evaluate available evidence concerning the assassinations," the report said. "In other cases, advances in scientific technology will allow issues to be analyzed in significantly greater depth and detail than was possible at the time of the assassinations.

For example, an acoustical project de-signed by the committee will utilize sound recordings made in Dallas' Dealey Plaza on Nov. 22, 1963, when Kennedy was shot.

From original sound recordings it is now possible to illustrate the audible sounds by means of a computer print-out of decibel frequencies," the report said. "An expert analysis of these decibel frequencies may enable the committee to determine the number, direction and timing sequence of the shots fired in Dealey Pla-28.

ANOTHER SPECIAL project involves photographs and computers in a trajectory

Weisberg receives: **CIA** information on bending mind

A local resident noted for his investigations of the government has received new material from the Central Intelligence Agency.

Harold Weisberg, who authored books and articles questioning the government's investigation of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, said Wednesday he received 14,375 pages of data from the CIA.

"I made the request two years ago and they finally came through," Weisberg said. "Supposedly they have 10 days to provide the information or a w letter explaining delay. They did nothing until I leaned on them a few weeks ago."

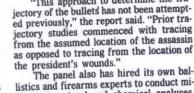
Weisberg said the data deals with the CIA's "mind bending" activities.

"I have not had a chance to read it yet, but it is a horrible thing — toying with the human mind," he said, "and in the name of national security.'

Weisberg said he was charged 10 cents per page for the material and hoped to do some articles or a book on the subject later. "I am just too busy right now," he

said. Weisberg said he has been gathering similar information for some period of time and the data is only part of his files.

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listics and firearms experts to conduct microscopic, visual and chemical analyses, and test firings. Nine forensic pathologists have been

John F. Kennedy

study that will attempt to trace outward

from the president the trajectory of the bullets that struck him.

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retained as consultants to restudy the nature and cases of the wounds on President Kennedy and on former Texas Gov. John Connally, who was in the car with the slain president.

At the suggestion of the pathologists the committee has ordered a series of new tests including soft X-ray and other tech niques of determining whether the cloth ing worn by President Kennedy and Con nally contains any metal tracings, and anatomy studies to trace the origin of par ticular bone fragments.

In addition, there will be other studie of handwriting, wound ballistics and med cal evidence.

Investigations Pick Up Chief Counsel Robert Blakey refused IN AN INTERIM report to the House,