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"Give light and the people will find their own way"

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It Wouldn't Do Any Good

All the flap about the Warren Report on the Kennedy assassination so far has been just that—flap.

And if, as Historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr., recently suggested, there is "residue of uncertainty" in the public mind it is only because so much hair splitting, speculation and rumor making in and out of print has provoked it. Most of it the deliberate work of enterprisers out to cash in on the tragedy.

In recent days, FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover, Gov. John B. Connally of Texas, who also was a victim of the assassin, Merriman Smith of UPI, a White House reporter who was there, and members of the Warren Commission have rejected this hokum.

"All of the questions that I have seen raised so far were raised before the Commission," said Rep. Hale Boggs, a Commission member.

To those who insist a new investigation should be launched there is an inescapable answer. Mr. Boggs, for instance, supplied it:

"If new evidence can be presented, then it should be looked at objectively."

But there is no new evidence.

And unless and until there is, there is no purpose in all this effort to stir up doubt nor in the superficial attempts to becloud the honesty and motives of the Warren Commission.

But, to cite Mr. Boggs again, there are people who just won't believe any evidence. And no amount of reinvestigation or rehashing of the tragedy, no amount of persuasive fact will change them.

So there is no choice except to let them nurse their own imaginations, let them pop off as they please, and to ignore them.