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PENSACOLA, FLA., FEB. 26 (AP)-ESCAMBIA COUNTY SOLICITOR CARL HARPER SAID HE QUESTIONED 10 PERSONS TODAY IN AN EFFORT TO PINPOINT CIRCUMSTANCES OF A DEATH WHICH, ACCORDING TO A RELATIVE, MAY HAVE BEEN LINKED TO PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S 1963 ASSASSINATION.

THE PROSECUTION SAID HE OBTAINED DEPOSITIONS FROM POLICEMEN, NURSES AND OTHERS WHO HAD CONTACT WITH THOMAS HENRY KILLAM WHOSE BODY WAS FOUND MARCH 17, 1964, BESIDE A SHATTERED STORE WINDOW HERE.

MORE WITNESSES WILL BE QUIZZED, HARPER SAID.

HE SAID HE ALSO PLANS TO CONSULT MEDICAL EXPERTS ABOUT THE PROSPECT OF OBTAINING USEFUL EVIDENCE IF KILLAM'S BODY IS EXHUMED.

WHEN A PROSECUTOR IN NEW ORLEANS SAID THERE WERE INDICATIONS A PLOT HAD EXISTED TO KILL KENNEDY, RELATIVES OF KILLAM TOLD AUTHORITIES HE WAS ACQUAINTED WITH PERSONS WHO KNEW LEE OSWALD, THE PRESIDENT'S ACCUSED SLAYER, AND JACK RUBY, WHO SHOT OSWALD. THEY TOLD HARPER THAT KILLAM HAD COMPLAINED OF BEING HOUNDED BY "AGENTS," AND ASKED THAT HIS DEATH BE INVESTIGATED.

AT THE TIME OF KILLAM'S DEATH, POLICE CALLED IT PROBABLE SUICIDE AND THE CORONER CALLED IT ACCIDENTAL. HE WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE FALLEN ORJUMPED THROUGH THE STORE WINDOW.

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