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KENNEDY BOOK

CHICAGO, DEC. 11 (AP)-"HIGHLY PERSONAL AND POIGNANT RECOLLECTIONS" BY MRS. JOHN F. KENNEDY ARE THE CRUX OF A STRUGGLE, THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS SAYS, OVER CONTENTS OF A BOOK ON THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY TO BE PUBLISHED IN MARCH.

A STORY BY PETER LISAGOR, DAILY NEWS WASHINGTON BUREAU CHIEF, SAID THE FAMILY OF THE LATE PRESIDENT "IS ENGAGED IN A STRANGE AND BITTER STRUGGLE TO DELETE" THE RECOLLECTIONS FROM "THE DEATH OF A PRESIDENT" WRITTEN BY WILLIAM MANCHESTER.

LISAGOR'S STORY QUOTED ONE PERSON WHO READ THE MANUSCRIPT AS SAYING, "JACKIE NOW REGRETS HAVING POURED OUT HER SOUL TO MANCHESTER AS IF HE WERE A PSYCHIATRIST." THE WEEKEND STORY SAID:

"THE MANUSCRIPT IS UNDERSTOOD TO CONTAIN HITHERTO UNPUBLISHED MATERIAL INVOLVING PRESIDENT JOHNSON AND THE KENNEDYS IN THE IMMEDIATE AFTERMATH OF THE ASSASSINATION IN DALLAS ON NOV. 22, 1963.

"THESE DETAILS ARE LIKELY TO INCREASE EXISTING TENSION BETWEEN MR. JOHNSON AND THE KENNEDY CLAN ACCORDING TO THOSE FAMILIAR WITH THE MANCHESTER WORK."

THE AUTHOR AND THE EDITORS, LISAGOR SAID, "HAVE BEEN MAINLY CAUGHT UP IN THE ANGUISH OF MRS. KENNEDY OVER SOME OF THE DISCLOSURES IN THE 350,000-WORD MANUSCRIPT. THEY ARE SAID TO INCLUDE SOME OF HER INNERMOST THOUGHTS AND EMOTIONAL ATTITUDES AT THE TIME OF THE TRAGEDY, WHICH SHE DOESN'T WANT PUBLISHED."

THE BOOK IS TO BE PUBLISHED BY HARPER & ROW. IT IS TO BE SERIALIZED IN FOUR INSTALLMENTS IN LOOK MAGAZINE STARTING JAN. 10.

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