

The Growing Kennedy Legend

Washington

Five of every six Americans believe that John F. Kennedy eventually will be recorded as a greater President than Lyndon B. Johnson, a public opinion survey reported yesterday.

On the eve of the third anniversary of Mr. Kennedy's assassination in Dallas, the copyrighted Louis Harris poll published in the Washington Post showed that the Kennedy legend still carries influence, particularly in politics.

Of those polled, 44 per cent — or 5 per cent more than in September — said they would prefer Senator Robert F. Kennedy over President Johnson as the Democratic presidential nominee in 1968. Mr. Johnson's rating in November was 37 per cent, same as in September.

"The main reason people cite Mr. Kennedy as a greater President is that 'He was a martyr,'" Harris reported. "The main reason for preferring Senator Kennedy is that he reminds voters of his brother."

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