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Belli Calls for Facts on Oswald

San Francisco Attorney Melvin Belli has urged the Warren Commission investigating the assassination of President Kennedy to rebut statements made

by New York Attorney Mark Lane about the assassination.

Belli was chief attorney for Jack Ruby, Dallas night club operator who was convicted of

murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, suspected slayer of Kennedy.

In a letter to Chief Justice Earl Warren, Belli said Lane, who has made statements con-

cerning the assassination in recent months while on a lecture tour both here and abroad, "has added immeasurably to the calumnies about the events by 'proving' the innocence of Lee Oswald and inferring the existence of sinister forces that

the American people have not been told about.

"I respectfully urge that the commission rebut the statements Mr. Lane has been making in this country and in his 'lecture tour' abroad, no matter how well motivated he may be, that (1) there was some conspir-

acy between Ruby and Oswald and some foreign government,

(2) that we, the people in this democracy are denied facts, (3) that there is some 'hidden government' that keeps 'facts' from the papers and from the people," Belli wrote.

Belli said America's prestige has been damaged, especially by the European press. He said that from his close vantage point he was convinced that both Oswald and Ruby acted as individuals — "two lone aberrant individuals . . ."

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Belli Asks Rebuttal in Oswald Case

The Warren Commission has been asked by Attorney Melvin Belli to rebut statements by New York lawyer-lecturer Mark Lane on the assassination of President Kennedy.

Belli, who was chief attorney for Jack Ruby when the Dallas night club owner was convicted of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, made the request in a letter yesterday to Chief Justice Earl Warren.

Lane, according to Belli, "although a single, humble voice, has added immeasurably to the calumnies about the events by 'proving' the innocence of Oswald and inferring the existence of sinister forces that the American people have not been told about."

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