2 Agents Removed From White House By Secret Service

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 (UPI)

The two top men assigned to the White House to protect President Johnson were replaced today by the Secret Service.

Rufus W. Youngblood, who is Mr. Johnson's long-time personal agent, was appointed special agent in charge of the White House detail, succeeding Gerald A. Behn.

Roy H. Kellerman, who was in the same limousine in Dallas with President Kennedy when Mr. Kennedy was assassinated Nov. 22, 1963, was named deputy special agent in charge, succeeding Floyd M. Boring.

Mr. Behn and Mr. Boring are being assigned to Secret Service headquarters as inspectors. The changes will take place Monday.

James J. Rowley, chief of the Secret Service, said the shifts were "in line with the service's policy of rotating key personnel in order to provide senior supervisors with the broadest possible experience."

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The changes, he said, were part of his current plan to "streamline and improve" the Secret Service.

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Mr. Kellerman was responsible for all security arrangements during Mr. Kennedy's trip to Texas.

The role of the Secret Service and the Federal Bureau of Investigation came under scrutiny during the Warren Commission's investigation of the assassination. In its report, the commission recommended greater liaison between the two agencies.

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Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon, whose department has jurisdiction over the Secret Service, has announced strengthening of its personnel and modernization of its equipment and facilities in line with the Warren Commission's suggestions.

Mr. Youngblood joined the service in 1951. He served in the Atlanta office and then joined the White House detail. He was moved to the Vice-Presidential detail shortly after Mr. Johnson assumed that

Mr. Johnson assumed that office. In November, 1963, Mr. Youngblood became an assistant special agent in charge of the White House detail.

Joined Service in '41

Mr. Kellerman was appointed to the service in 1941. He served in Detroit, Toledo, Cincinnati, Washington and Indianapolis before he returned to Washington in 1955.

He first served on the White House detail from 1942 to 1951 and returned to it in 1955. Recently he has been an assistant special agent in charge of the

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detail.

Mr. Behn joined the service in 1939 and was assigned to the White House 10 years later. He

was put in charge of the detail in 1961.

Mr. Boring was appointed to the Secret Service in 1943 and served in New York and Philadelphia before being assigned to the White House in 1944.