

MAR 8 1975

NYT (longer) filed  
Misc II - study  
groups  
Gregory.

SF Chronicle

# Rocky's Group Reported Probing JFK Slaying

## Washington

The Rockefeller Commission on the Central Intelligence Agency is looking into allegations that the CIA was somehow involved in the assassination of President Kennedy in 1963, according to informed sources close to its investigation.

One focus of the commission's inquiry, the sources said, is the recent assertion of a group headed by Dick Gregory, the comedian and civil rights activist, that E. Howard Hunt Jr. was seized by the Dallas police near the Kennedy assassination site within minutes of the shooting.

Hunt, convicted two years ago of conspiring to carry out the Watergate bugging plot, was a clandestine political officer for the CIA at the time President Kennedy was murdered.

The Gregory group's charge is founded on photographs published last year in underground newspapers and elsewhere purporting to show Hunt and Frank A. Sturgis another of the con-

victed Watergate burglars, being led by the police away from a grassy knoll across from the Texas school book depository building.

Hunt, in testimony before the Rockefeller Commission, reportedly denied that he was in Dallas at the time of the assassination or that he knew Sturgis then.

Sturgis reportedly was employed by the CIA as an operative in the Miami area around the time of the agency-inspired Bays of Pigs invasion of Cuba in 1961.

The School Book Depository was identified in the final report of the Warren Commission, which investigated the Kennedy assassination, as the location from which Lee Harvey Oswald fired the shots that killed President Kennedy and wounded John B. Connally, then governor of Texas, as they passed by in a motorcade.

David W. Belin, the executive director of the panel headed by vice president Rockefeller, the presidential commission of CIA activities within the United States, de-

clined yesterday to comment on specific areas of the panel's inquiry or on any tentative conclusions it might have reached.

The commission has decided, Belin said, to release its findings about the nature and scope of the CIA's domestic activities only after its investigation has been completed.

Belin, an Iowa lawyer who served as a counsel to the Warren Commission, said that although it was not his intention to "reopen the entire investigation of the assassination" of President Kennedy, "the allegation has been made that the CIA, and particularly Hunt, was in Dallas on 22 November, 1963."

After leaving the Warren Commission, Belin wrote a book analyzing its work entitled, "You Are the Jury," supporting the conclusion that Oswald was the lone killer of both President Kennedy and J. D. Tippit, a Dallas police officer slain shortly afterward outside a movie theater.

*New York Times*