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HOUSTON TEX., MAR. 5 (AP)-U.S. SEN. RALPH YARBOROUGH D-TEX., TOLD A RICE UNIVERSITY AUDIENCE TODAY THAT PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY WAS IN TEXAS AS A CAMPAIGNER, NOT A POLITICAL PEACEMAKER, WHEN HE WAS KILLED IN 1963.

YARBOROUGH WAS KEYNOTE SPEAKER FOR A FIVE-DAY SYMPOSIUM, "THE KENNEDY YEARS," SPONSORED BY JONES COLLEGE OF RICE UNIVERSITY.

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"HE WAS PREPARING FOR THE 1964 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN, AND IT WAS ONLY NATURAL THAT THEY WOULD COME TO THE VICE PRESIDENT'S HOME STATE AFTER HAVING BEEN IN BOSTON FOR A FUND-RAISING DINNER," YARBOROUGH SAID.

"NO INTELLIGENT POLITICIAN WOULD SPEND TWO DAYS TRAVELING AROUND JUST HOPING THAT SOMETIME IN THOSE DAYS TWO MEN (YARBOROUGH AND CONNALLY) WOULD SPEAK TO EACH OTHER," THE SENATOR ADDED.

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