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RENO, NEV., JUNE 19 (AP)-MELVIN BELLI, WHO DEFENDED JACK RUBY IN A DALLAS COURT, SAID TODAY THAT JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY MEMBERS AND OTHER RIGHT-WING SUPPORTERS IN DALLAS HAD PLANNED A MASSIVE DEMONSTRATION AGAINST THE LATE PRESIDENT ON THE DAY HE WAS ASSASSINATED.

BELLI TOLD THE RENO PRESS CLUB THE DEMONSTRATION WOULD HAVE TAKEN PLACE AT THE DALLAS MERCHANDISE MART DURING A LUNCHEON FOR KENNEDY, WHO WAS SHOT ON HIS WAY TO THE MART.

"DALLAS IS AS SHAMED OF THIS THAT THE INFORMATION NEVER CAME OUT," BELLI SAID.

HE SAID HE IS CONFIDENT RUBY'S DEATH SENTENCE WILL BE REVERSED, AND EXPECTS HIM TO BE PLACED IN A MENTAL INSTITUTION.

RUBY WAS CONVICTED ON A FIRST DEGREE MURDER CHARGE, DESPITE BELLI'S CONTENTION HE WAS INSANE AT THE TIME HE KILLED ACCUSED ASSASSIN LEE HARVEY OSWALD BEFORE A HORRIFIED NATIONAL TELEVISION AUDIENCE.

"THERE IS SOME KIND OF UNHOLY ALLIANCE BETWEEN DIST. ATTY. (HENRY) WADE AND JUDGE BROWN," IN WHOSE COURT RUBY WAS TRIED, BELLI ASSERTED.

HIS COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE VERDICT AND TRIAL PROMPTED THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION TO REPRIMAND HIM. BELLI THEN QUIT THE ASSOCIATION IN PROTEST. HE SAYS A SUIT IS IN THE MAKING AGAINST THE BAR ASSOCIATION.

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