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ACCUSED AGENT SEES LAXITY ON KENNEDY

CHICAGO, May 20 (UPI)—Abraham Bolden, Secret Service agent charged with attempting to sell Government files to an accused counterfeiter, said today that he was being falsely prosecuted because he had planned to reveal to the Warren Commission "laxity" in protecting President Kennedy.

At a news conference in his South Side home today, Mr. Bolden said that in July, 1961, he was assigned as a guard for the President at Hyannis Port, Mass. During that time, he said, the special agent in charge bought three cases of beer and three cases of whisky and agents drank it before and after their tours of duty.

That same summer, Mr. Bolden said, agents assigned to guard the President used Government cars to transport girls to and from parties.

United States Attorney Edward V. Hanrahan called Mr. Bolden's charges "fantastic allegations." He said that their accuracy should be judged by Mr. Bolden's silence from 1961 until after his arrest yesterday.

Mr. Bolden, 29 years old, was suspended yesterday. He was charged with supplying a secret Government file to accomplices. The police said the accomplices tried to sell the file to a man under indictment for counterfeiting \$500,000 in Government bonds and Bank of America traveler's checks.

The Warren Commission is investigating the assassination of President Kennedy in Dallas last Nov. 22.

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Kennedy Guard's Charge Is Studied

WASHINGTON, May 22 (UPI)—The commission investigating the Kennedy assassination has asked the Federal Bureau of Investigation to look into allegations by a suspended Secret Service agent of heavy drinking among the White House detail.

J. Lee Rankin, counsel to the commission, said today that the contents of the report would determine whether the seven-man group would hear Abraham Bolden.

Mr. Bolden, the first Negro to serve on the White House Secret Service detail, has been indicted on charges of trying to sell a Government report to a man charged in Chicago with taking part in a half-million dollar counterfeiting ring. He made the drinking charges at a news conference yesterday. A Government prosecutor has called the Bolden story "fantastic."

It is assumed that if the commission decides to examine the Bolden charges, it may also call others who might know about practices of Secret Service personnel.

It was understood that no decision had yet been made



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on whether to take testimony from Jack L. Ruby, the former Dallas nightclub operator who has been sentenced to death for the fatal shooting of President Kennedy's alleged assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald.