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OXFORD, MISS., NOV. 21 (AP)--HISTORIAN ARTHUR M. SCHLESINGER JR. SAID TONIGHT DOUBTS RAISED IN THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY WARRANT REOPENING THE MATTER.

SCHLESINGER, WHO SERVED KENNEDY AS A WHITE HOUSE ASSISTANT, MADE HIS REMARKS IN AN INTERVIEW AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI BEFORE ADDRESSING AN OMICRON DELTA KAPPA-MORTAR BOARD FORUM.

HE SAID THAT IT "APPEARS TO ME SUBSTANTIAL FACTS AND DOUBTS DO EXIST WHICH WOULD WARRANT A VERY INTENSIVE INQUIRY." HE SUGGESTED A COMMISSION ESTABLISHED BY CONGRESS AS THE BEST MEANS.

SCHLESINGER ADDED HE HAD FOUND HIS GRIEF TOO GREAT TO READ THE REPORT OF THE WARREN COMMISSION ON THE NOV. 22, 1963, ASSASSINATION IN DALLAS, WHICH THE COMMISSION ATTRIBUTED SOLELY TO LEE HARVEY OSWALD, OR ANY OTHER BOOKS ON THE ASSASSINATION.

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