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WASHINGTON, AUG. 11 (AP)-A SPOKESMAN FOR THE WARREN COMMISSION--NEARING A MONTHS' LONG INVESTIGATION OF THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY--WAS BOMBARDED BY QUESTIONS TODAY AS TO HOW IT PLANS TO RELEASE ITS REPORT.

THE COMMISSION IS HEADED BY EARL WARREN, CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES, AND ITS REPORT IS EXPECTED TO BE BULKIER THAN THE MANHATTAN TELEPHONE BOOK.

THIS QUESTION FACES THE COMMISSION:

HOW TO RELEASE THE REPORT SO AS TO HAVE MAXIMUM IMPACT NOT ONLY ON THE AMERICAN PUBLIC, BUT ON PEOPLE ABROAD, WHERE STRANGE AND UNSUPPORTED RUMORS OF A WIDESPREAD "PLOT" HAVE BEEN CURRENT?

ALL INDICATIONS ARE THAT THE REPORT--IF BOILED DOWN TO LAYMAN'S LANGUAGE--WILL SAY THIS: ONE CRAZY MAN, BACKED BY NO WIDESPREAD ORGANIZATION, SHOT THE PRESIDENT, AND ANOTHER MAN, EQUALLY ISOLATED, SHOT THE ASSASSIN.

BUT HOW TO RELEASE THIS REPORT, BACKED BY ITS MASS OF SUPPORTING DATA?

THE WARREN COMMISSION HELD A SECRET CONFERENCE TODAY AND ITS CHIEF COUNSEL, J. LEE RANKIN, CAME OUT AND BRIEFED NEWSMEN.

THERE WAS, HE SAID FIRST, A THOUGHT THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD PERMIT ITS PICTURE TO BE TAKEN SOON. HE SAID IN THAT CASE ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS WOULD BE NOTIFIED WELL IN ADVANCE.

THEN, HE SAID, A PLAN WAS UNDER CONSIDERATION WHEREBY CONTRACTS WOULD BE SIGNED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND INFORMATION MEDIA. THESE MEDIA WOULD BE SUPPLIED THE TEXT OF THE REPORT SOMEWHAT IN ADVANCE OF OTHER MEDIA ON CONDITION THAT THEY WOULD "OBSERVE SECURITY", NOT PUBLISH THE REPORT BEFORE THE SPECIFIED RELEASE DATE AND THEN PUBLISH IT IN FULL.

A NEWSPAPER REPORTER, CONSCIOUS OF REPORTS THAT CERTAIN PAPER BACK BOOK FIRMS ETC, HAD HAD NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE WARREN COMMISSION, ASKED:

"HOW CAN A GOVERNMENT COMMISSION, ENGAGED ON SUCH A PROJECT OF GRAVE NATIONAL IMPORT, ENGAGE IN CONTRACTUAL NEGOTIATIONS WITH PRIVATE CONCERNS?"

"YOU WILL HAVE TO TAKE THIS UP," RANKIN SAID, "WITH MR. GEORGE REEDY (PRESS SECRETARY) AT THE WHITE HOUSE."

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"WHY NOT," RANKIN WAS ASKED, "RELEASE IT TO EVERYBODY SIMULTANEOUSLY, MAYBE THREE OR FOUR DAYS IN ADVANCE SO EVERYBODY WILL GET A CHANCE TO READ IT BEFORE WRITING ABOUT IT?"

"THERE AGAIN," RANKIN SAID, "YOU WILL HAVE TO TAKE IT UP WITH MR. REEDY."

REEDY TOLD A NEWSMAN: "AS FAR AS THE WHITE HOUSE IS CONCERNED, NO PLANS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR THE RELEASE OF THE REPORT. WE WILL GIVE CONSIDERATION TO THIS MATTER AT AN APPROPRIATE TIME."

IN ROCHESTER, N.Y., PAUL MILLER, PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS AND PRESIDENT OF THE GANNETT NEWSPAPERS, WHEN ASKED FOR COMMENT, SAID:

"THE ASSOCIATED PRESS IS OPPOSED AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE OPPOSED TO ANYTHING OTHER THAN SIMULTANEOUS RELEASE OF THE REPORT TO ALL."

A SIMILAR STAND WAS TAKEN BY MILES H. WOLFF, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF NEWSPAPER EDITORS AND EXECUTIVE EDITOR OF THE RECORD-NEWS AT GREENSBORO, N.C. HE SAID HE COULD ONLY SPEAK AS AN INDIVIDUAL, BUT ASSERTED:

"IF THE GOVERNMENT PLANS TO RELEASE THIS REPORT IN ADVANCE TO ONE GROUP IT IS SHOCKING. IT IS PERFECTLY RIDICULOUS TO TRY TO FIGURE HOW THE GOVERNMENT CAN DO THIS WITH A REPORT PAID FOR BY ALL THE TAX-PAYERS."

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