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Editorial

An Investigation Is Called For

New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison has charged that as early as November 17, 1963, J. Edgar Hoover knew of the plot to kill President Kennedy in Dallas. If the protective agencies themselves were involved in the plot, this would explain how the agencies failed so completely to protect their chief.

If this charge is true, it is vital that this democracy know it, and demand a Congressional investigation. Only Congress has the overall authority and the resources to give us a proper investigation.

Why is Congress silent? Some Congressmen, and especially Joe Pool, are always ready and eager to take a

couple hundred thousand of the public's dollars to investigate the most trivial charge. Why silent now? Is the entire Congress afraid to touch this important issue? Is the entire Congress being blackmailed?

Instead of calling for an investigation, the nation's newspapers and magazines and the rightwing commentators heap more scorn on Jim Garrison.

Garrison would welcome such a Congressional investigation. These charges can not be delayed much longer.

We have previously printed that Clay Shaw would be dead before his trial date in February of 1968. We change that prediction now. We predict that Jim Garrison will be murdered before Clay Shaw is brought to trial.

No Extradition Again

In California the pressure is being put on Republican Governor Ronald Reagan to refuse extradition for minister E. E. Bradley who is charged with conspiracy by Jim

Garrison. It appears Reagan will join with Governors Rhodes of Ohio and Connally of Texas in refusing extradition for accused persons who are under indictment in connection with the assassination conspiracy.

Loran Eugene Hall and Mrs. Sandra Moffett McMaines skipped across the river from Nebraska into Iowa to avoid being sent back to Louisiana as material witnesses. There are only four states in the United States which are not a part of the Uniform Witness Code, and Iowa is one of the four. So Hall and Mrs. McMaines hastily moved across the river into the cover state of Iowa.

The name, Omaha, Nebraska, is cropping up more and more in the continuing assassination story. "Delilah" Walle was murdered in Omaha. Thomas Edward Beckham, Hall and Mrs. McMaines all lived in Omaha until they had to flee to avoid the probe. An ex-policeman went from Omaha to California to give a lie-detector test to E. E. Bradley. Just a coincidence, we suppose, but one we felt was worth pointing out to our readers.

A Worthy Newspaper

The editor of NOTES FROM THE UNDERGROUND and a friend of his visited THE MIRROR on Thursday. We have a high regard for these kids who manage to publish twice monthly under very difficult circumstances. They

have had to change printers fourteen times in twenty-two issues, and the paper has been harrassed and banned by SMU. One student was expelled for selling the paper on campus. Nevertheless this paper is the only honest paper being published in Dallas County.

X The assassination of President Kennedy was prevented in Miami because of an honest police force, at least honest enough to notify the Federal authorities that they knew of the plot. In view of the many persons who were trying to warn or brag that the assassination was going to take place in Dallas, we feel a truthful newspaper with courage and integrity could have prevented the assassination from taking place in Dallas.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Editor
The Midlothian Mirror

Dear Sir:

We Americans have always had the feeling of being the "top man on the totem pole"---a nation of progress---supposedly a beacon of hope in a world of darkness and despair.

But suddenly something is wrong. . . . and the world knows it.

In the words of Nelson Algren, "never before has any people lived so tidily in the midst of such psychological disorder. Never has any people deodorized, phaned and hygienized itself so thoroughly, and still remained stuck with the sense of something dead under the house."

That "sense of something dead under the house" is Johnson's unholy "holy" war in Vietnam. For never before has a world leader so teasingly thumbed his nose at world opinion or turned his back on such a chorus of international protest and appeal. In doing so he is pompously saying, "look at us, we are bigger than all of you put together!"

Hitler once said, "those who decry our methods will be the first to imitate them." Has not Johnson, like Adolph, assumed command of world power in the holy name of "anti-communism"? Has not Johnson, like Adolph, spoken boastfully of a "new world order"?

Thank God LBJ is not America forever. But the real question is: can the American people survive his Administration with enough courage and moral strength to pick up the pieces and again become the America the world once loved and respected?

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