

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Mr. JOHN M. MURRET, residence address 6622 Louis XIV Street, employed by the E. R. Squibb and Sons as a pharmaceutical representative, furnished the following information:

He is a cousin of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. His mother and LEE's mother are sisters. He could not recall anything about LEE OSWALD while LEE was going to Beauregard Junior High School or Warren Easton High School. He did recall that on one occasion LEE's mother telephoned his house several times during an evening when LEE apparently was attending a party of the Civil Air Patrol. LEE's mother was worried and, he understands, LEE did not arrive home until about 2:00 A.M. This is the only incident he could recall pertaining to LEE's stay in New Orleans in the 1950's. LEE never did play with him when they were both children.

In the Spring of this year, he went home at lunchtime and there was a bag on the floor, and his mother told him that he could never guess who was at the house. For some unexplained reason, LEE's name came to his mind and he guessed that was who it was. LEE had on worn clothes and was wearing a heavy wool suit which had apparently been purchased while he had been in Russia. He gave LEE some of his white shirts and ties so that he would look presentable while seeking employment.

LEE apparently contacted a number of employment agencies and left word with them to call the telephone number of MURRET's mother, because JOHN answered quite a number of telephone calls himself. LEE had apparently requested that the number be called even though no job was available because most of them merely told JOHN that there was nothing available for LEE. He recalled receiving a call a few days after LEE started to work for the William B. Reily and Company. The caller, who was a man, said that they had something LEE was interested in and gave a name and telephone number. JOHN tried to call LEE at the Reily company but could not immediately reach him and then tried to look up in the telephone book the name he had been given but could not find it. He did not telephone the number given to him to advise that he could not immediately contact LEE, but later on did give LEE the message. He was of the opinion that it was a blueprint or a photography shop that had called.

JOHN recalled that LEE received a letter from the Unemployment Department of the State of Texas, which apparently

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contained his unemployment check. He could recall no other mail received by LEE.

LEE and his wife and child visited the MURRET home on about three occasions. There were no political discussions of any kind. LEE had worked in Russia either as a photographer or as an assistant in the photographic laboratory and was interested in painting and draftsman's work.

MURRET recalled that on the day OSWALD had a debate over a New Orleans radio station with another individual, pertaining to his political views, LEE telephoned the house about fifteen or twenty minutes before the debate started and asked them to turn on the radio to listen to it, which he did. He did not question OSWALD subsequently in connection with this debate or regarding his political views.

He never went into LEE's apartment on Magazine Street but he did drive him home on Labor Day after LEE and his family had visited MURRET's home. MURRET's mother and sister accompanied him and he drove his 1960 white four-door Dodge Dart automobile.

MURRET's father drove LEE and his family home the one or two other times in his father's 1956 green four-door Mercury, although the family's 1950 gray Plymouth may possibly have been used.

JOHN MURRET stated LEE HARVEY OSWALD had no co-ordination whatsoever. MURRET tried to teach him to drive an automobile and took him out about two hours one day to let him practice, but it appeared hopeless as OSWALD had no sense of co-ordination. JOHN MURRET stated that he actually pushed OSWALD into even trying to learn how to drive and OSWALD apparently was not in the least interested.

The last time MURRET saw OSWALD, or heard anything concerning him, was on Labor Day when he drove him home. He could furnish no information concerning any friends or acquaintances of OSWALD's.