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 (RUBY)

DALLAS--JACK RUBY, ACCUSED OF MURDERING THE MAN WHO KILLED PRESIDENT KENNEDY, HAS CANCER, TWO DOCTORS DISCLOSED TODAY.

THE CANCER STARTED SOME TIME AGO AND BEGAN AN UNNOTICED SPREAD THROUGH RUBY'S BODY. IT WAS DISCOVERED ONLY WHEN THE FLUID IT CAUSED IN THE LUNG CAVITY BUILT UP SO MUCH RUBY COULD NOT TAKE A DEEP BREATH WHETHER IT CAN BE ARRESTED, OR WHETHER RUBY WILL RECOVER, IS NOT KNOWN YET, DOCTORS SAID.

DRS. JAY SANFORD AND WATTS WEBB, BOTH OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL SCHOOL AT DALLAS, SAID IN A JOINT NEWS CONFERENCE THAT RUBY HAD MINOR SURGERY AT PARKLAND HOSPITAL SATURDAY TO REMOVE A SMALL LYMPH NODE IN HIS NECK. THE NODE WAS CANCEROUS AND GAVE DOCTORS TISSUE FOR TESTS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT RUBY'S CANCER.

BUT THE FACT THE NODE, WHICH IS ONE OF MANY IN THE BODY SERVING TO FILTER BACTERIAL GERMS, HAD A MALIGNANT GROWTH AND WAS ALMOST ALL CANCEROUS INDICATED THE CANCER MAY HAVE SPREAD EXTENSIVELY. THE NODE WAS THE SIZE OF A FINGERTIP, SANFORD SAID, WHERE THE NECK MEETS THE COLLARBONE.

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