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All leads are being set out by telephone and teletype and are not being repeated herein. Additional leads will be dispatched upon review of this report.

Copies are furnished to Chicago and Detroit Offices, covering locations of subject's relatives.

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The following criminal informants affiliated or familiar with gambling matters, Albuquerque Division, were contacted on November 25, 1963, with negative results:

Albuquerque, N.M., by SA J. JEROME MAXWELL.

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Albuquerque, N.M., by SA CARY CARITON.

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Grants, N.M., by SA CALVIN D. KNOTT.

Clovis, N.M., by SA PRANK W. HAINES.

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On November 25, 1963, advised SA W. J. WILKINSON, JR., Farmington, W.K., that she once met JACK RUBY in an unknown hotel in Ballas, Texas, many years ago. The informant was unable to recall the hotel or other people during this contact. Informant has never met victim.

Albuquerque, N.M., who requested his name be maintained in complete confidence, admitted formerly being a bookmaker in Chicago over fifteen years ago. He advised he is acquainted with JACK RUBY, known to him as SPARKY RUBENSTEIN who lived in the same general area in Chicago. He did not become too well acquainted with SPARKY until they grew up and knew RUBY's father as the "neighborhood drunk."

stable. Stated SPARKY made his living primarily from "scalping" tickets to sports events in the Chicago area and at one time traveled throughout the country selling punch boards which stated was prior to the Senator Kefauver investigations. described the subject as an extremely stubborn person and a publicity hound, therefore, did not think it unusual when newspapers reported that RUBY was more upset over the death of the President than the death of his own father. He stated that he was surprised whan SPARKY killed OSWALD, advising that he would think it more proper that RUBY would shoot him in the leg with a .22 in order to get publicity.

until visited Dalias, Texas, about one and a half years ago. He looked up SFARKY, whose Carousel Club is across the street from the Adolphus Ectel and they talked briefly of old times.

knew of no specific connections SPARKY may have had with the Dallas Police Dept., but stated that many policemen knew him and he was well liked. Was not aware of any underworld connections which RUBY may have had and knew of no particular respond for RUBY's lesving Chicago. States SPARKY, to his knowledge, had no extremist or subversive views whatsoever and had no contact with organized criminal or hoodlum element. States advised that he was not personally acquainted with OSWALD and knew of no connection of OSWALD and RUBY, or any connection which RUBY may have had with the Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

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at Albuquerque, N.M., that approximately eleven months ago
he met JACK RUBY at the Carousel Club in Dallas, Texas.
Informant met RUBY through
informant mentioned that he was from Albuquerque, RUBY advised
that
at Albuquerque was a good friend. The informant
learned through
that RUBY came to Dallas, Texas, from
Chicago and that a "Jewish boy" had the particular section of
town where the Carousel is now located "all sewed up."
Informant states RUBY had a difficult time breaking into the
area, but that he is now quite well off along with the "Jewish
boy," who also has a joint located one block from the Carousel
in an upstairs location.

mentioned to that RUBY had a "good in" with the Dallas Police Dept. The informant states this would be borne out from his observation by the fact that RUBY had a B-girl operation where drinks were pushed heavily and they had no interference from the police department. The informant knew of no specific connections with the police department and only personally engaged RUBY in conversation for five to ten minutes. Informant stated he is not aware of any Chicago underworld connections of RUBY or any subversive or extremist connections. He did not know of any relationship between the subject and the Pair Play for Cuba Committee or any association between OSWALD and RUBY.

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Files of the Chicago Office reflect the following:

"Chicago Daily Tribune" of December 9, 1939, carried an article stating that JOHN MARTIN, President of the Scrap Iron and Junk Handlers Union Local 20467, AFL, had shet LEON R. COOKE, the attorney for the above union. According to fermer who who was interviewed at that time, the informati was then in the process of ferming a rival union affiliated with time CIO and had written several letters to junk dealers in this regard which he had signed "Cook". MARTIN learned of these letters, assumed he was being double crossed by LEON COOKE, and during an argument between MARTIN and COOKE which ensued, MARTIN shot LEON COOKE. MARTIN then became a fugitive justice. 80 23 South Wollcott, Claracto, The

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advised SA JOHN R. BASSATT on November 24, 1963 that he had been a close friend of subject RUBY for many years in Chicago. This informant advised that "SPARKY" was not tempered on occasions, but was generally of a good disposition. He stated that RUBY was an excellent fist fighter. According to this informant, RUBY, in the mid nineteen forty's, operated a "book" over a restaurant located and loca nubl, in the mid mineteen lorty's, operated a book over a restaurant located east of Kedzie Avenue on the north side of Roosevelt Road in Chicago. Subject was a close friend of one ABE ZUCKERMAN, also known as "ZUCKIE" (phonetic).

In the middle nineteen forty's, according to the informant, ZUCKERMAN was shot and the informant believed that this occurred because ZUCKERMAN did not cut LEONARD PARTICK, one of Chicago's top hoodlums, in on the profits of his book. Shertly after this shooting, PATRICK told the subject to leave town, secusing him of operating a book without PATRICK's sanction. PATRICK warned the subject that if he did not leave Chicago, he would "get what ZUCKIE got". The subject left Chicago at this time for Dallas, Texas, where he ran a club gened by his sister. Informant advised Texas, where he ran a club owned by his sister. Informant advised .

That he has not been in touch with the subject in recent years and was completely at a loss to understand the subject's action in shooting OSWALD.

advised SA JOHN W. ROBERTS, JR., ex. November 24, 1963, that JACK RUBY had, at one time, been close to ROSS PRIO, Chicago top hoodlym. This informant further advised that RUBY had been a close friend of one JOE SCARAMUZZO who owns a gum shop on Halsted Street near Taylor Street in Chicago.

The Chicago Division records contain no information concerning ABE ZUCKERMAN, also known as "ZUCKIE". The same records reflect that JOSEPH SCARAMUZZO is the owner of Scaramuzzo and Sons reflect that JOSEPH SCARAMUZZO is the owner of Scaramuzzo and Sons reflect that JOSEPH SCARAMUZZO is the owner of Scaramuzzo and Sons reflect that JOSEPH SCARAMUZZO is the owner of Scaramuzzo and Sons, 831 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, It should be quinshop, 831 South Halsted by members of the Nationalist noted that three of the four guns used by members of the Nationalist noted that three of the four guns used by members of Representatives, Party of Puerto Rico in the shooting at the House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., on March 1, 1954, were purchased by one WILLIAM Washington, D. C., on March 1, 1954, were purchased by one WILLIAM GAIETTY, Gary, Indiana, from Scaramuzzo and Sons, 801 South Halsted Street, Chicago.

that he believed the subject was related in some manner to one HARRY III RUBENSTEIN. The informant advised that HARRY RUBENSTEIN had owned the Hotel Olympic on North Clark Street on Ghicago's near North side, approximately fifteen years ago. HARRY RUBENSTEIN killed a man in this hotel, but by a payment of \$25,000.00 to a Chicago Police Captain, was able to fix this charge. According to this informant, HARRY APPROX 18 1.

RUBENSTEIN had good connections with certain unknown criminals in the Chicago area but was not considered by the informant to be a member of the Organized Criminal Element in this city.

Department reflect one HARRY RUBENSTEIN, a hotel owner on the near North side, as having been sentenced to one year probation on a charge of manslaughter in 1946.

advised SA JOSEPH G. SHEA on lovember 24, 1963, advised to HARRY RUBENSTEIN who formerly operated two or these bars in the Chicago loop area. According to the informant, the subject worked as a bartender for HARRY RUBENSTEIN in a bar at the Banker's Building in Chicago-X loop. The informant advised that in 1942 or 1943, JACK RUBENSTEIN attempted to enlist in the United States Navy but was rejected when he failed to pass the physical examination. The informant described JACK RUBENSTEIN as extremely patriotic but moody. This informant was unable to furnish any information concerning moody. This informant was unable to furnish any information concerning HARRY RUBENSTEIN's present whereabouts or activities.

on November 24, 1963, that he does not know the subject.

advised that he had contacted a person known to him, whose identity he would not reveal, who recalled the subject as a friend many years ago in the area around Independence Boulevard and Roosevelt Road in Chicago. According to this source stated that the subject was not that RUBENSTEIN was good natured but on occasion was extremely hot that RUBENSTEIN was good natured but on occasion was extremely hot tempered. According to this source, the subject had left Chicago in the late 1940's for Dallas, Texas, where he operated a club belonging the his sister.

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member of Chicago's criminal element. is known to be a close associate of many of Chicago's top echelon criminals and has, in recent years, been active in the management of several ranking prize fighters.

All other Chicago informants negative and Chicago files reflect no information pertaining to subject's involvement with Chicago criminal element.

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was contacted by SA WILLIAM F. ROEMER, on 11/25/63, but at that time had no personal knowledge of RUEY. On 11/26/63, advised that he had solicited information from advised that he had solicited information from politicians of the 24th Ward, the former voting residence of RUEY. PC advised that he talked to two persons who appeared to know RUEY from many years ago. They advised that RUEY was never anything but many years ago. They advised that RUEY was never anything but person advised that he recalls that RUEY attempted to sneak into a person advised that he recalls that RUEY attempted to sneak into a prize fight in Chicago, believed to be the second DEMPSEY - TUNNEY fight, and was caught by a police officer who beat him over the head with his night stick. As a result of this beating, RUEY now has a plate in his head. Apparently this causes pressure when RUEY becomes excited and causes RUEY to act emotionally.

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Chicago, Illinois, 1946 to 1949. He described this bar as a hangout for the hoodlum element. At that time it was operated by IRA COLITZ who was described as a personal friend of Colonel JACOB ARVEY, a well who was described as a personal friend of Colonel JACOB ARVEY, a well known Chicago political figure. COLITZ possibly was recently a candidate for Alderman in Chicago and resides in penthouse apartment on Michigan Boulevard.

The informant related JACK RUEY, whom he identified from newspaper photographs, frequented the Clover Bar in about 1946 or 1947 and was an acquaintance of IRA COLITZ and possibly was a former school mate of COLITZ on the west side of Chicago. He does not know the nature of RUEY's activities in Chicago.

The informant stated that in about December, 1949, he was in Dallas, Texas, at which time RUBY was operating a night club, name unknown, with western band and western motif. The informant visited this club and chatted briefly with RUBY who requested that he convey RUBY's regards to COLITZ when the informant returned to Chicago.

The informant has not seen or heard from RUBY since 1949 and has never had any specific information concerning RUBY's back-ground or activities but has never had any reason to suspect him of being involved in subversive activities.

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furnished the following November 25, 1963:

As of one month ago JACK RUBY was known to be an associate of "PAPPY" INU, owner of "Pappy's Showland" in Dallas. Basis or extent of association unknown. and who are cognizant of Communist Party, Socialist Workers Party, Freedom for Cuba committee, and related organizations, advised on November 25, 1963, These committee, and related organizations, advised on November 25, 1963, These that they do not know JACK IEON RUBY or JACK RUBENSTEIN. All other sources have furnished reliable information in the past. All other logical informants and PCI's Denver Division unable to furnish any logical information re JACK RUBY. positive information re JACK RUBY.

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advised SA LEVERETTE A. BAKER on 11/25/63, he met JACK RUBY a number of years ago through ABE WEINSTEIN (PH), owner of Colony Club, Dallas, Texas, but knows nothing further concerning RUBY.

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personal information about JACK IEON RUBY, aka, but he did make available for interview by SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND one MORRIS BLOCK, 5510 Edgewood Place, Los Angeles, Information from BLOCK of potential value, including the identity of a knowledgeable Chicago friend, has been submitted separately by FD 302 and by teletype containing lead for Chicago by FD 302 and by teletype containing lead for Chicago.

Other informants who could provide no information

on 11/26/63, to SA JOHN R. BARRON.

on 11/25/63, to SA FRANK H. TOWNSEND.

on 11/26/63 to SA JOHN R. BARRON.

on 11/25/63 to SA GEORGE B. BLAND.

on 11/26/63 to SA JOHN R. BARRON.

on 11/25/63 to SA AMEDER O. RICHARDS, JR.

on 11/26/63 to SA WILLIAM J. NOLAN.

on 11/26/63 to SA TOWNSEND.

The following informants were contacted by SA YOUNG on 11/26/63 with negative results:

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advised that she had been contacted by letter from Dallas, Texas, by and who wanted informant to handle their bookings on the West Coast.—Informant advised that is a vocalist and understood she had been working for JACK LEON RUBY in one of his night clubs in Dallas. Informant stated that she is aware that left Dallas on 11/21/63 for a booking into The Largo, a night club located on the Sunset Strip in Hollywood. Informant stated she would imagine that accompanied him. Informant said she did not book this team since she did not have an opportunity to audition them.

advised that the only bookings she handles in the Dallas area for strip tease dancers is through and for their two places and has never had any business dealings with RUBY nor has she ever met him.

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who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised SA JAMES E. HATHAWAY she met JACK RUBY in mid-November, 1962 in the Carousel Club.

During that period, RUBY operated the club alone, seemed to be on the premises almost constants but was reportedly residing with mether in a suburban house. BUBY was "a loner" and appeared not to have close associates. Precalls some talk by employees or patrons indicating RUBY might be regarded as "queer". She knew of mofemale associates except it was rumored at club that RUBY sometimes dated a waitress employed by him known as "SISSY" or possibly "C. C.", described as WF, about 21, short, slight build, dark hair.

Only other persons considered well acquainted with

- 1. GEORGE (LNU), described as WM, 30-35, medium build, dark hair, "Jewish appearance", who told contemplating opening a dress shop in Dallas and who frequented the club and often visited RUNY in RUBY's office
- 2. GEORGE (LNU), WM, 45, medium build, grayish hair, who operated some sort of business dealing in novely and gift items, and who was also often in RUBY's office
- 3. WALLY WESTON, emcee at Carousel, described as WM, 40, 5'll", slender, medium complexion, brown hair.

Of the above, believes WESTON was closest to RUBY and was believed to have worked as encee for RUBY for indeterminate time. believes WESTON pays AGVA dues in Dallas but was in Louisville, Ky. about 2 weeks ago for a day or two at Merry-Go-Round Club. While in Dallas, he was believed married to an exotic dancer but has ex-wife and child, location not known. WESTON believed originally from Milwaukee.

claims no gambling or prostitution at Carousel to her knowledge and she knew of no close associates of RUBY among police officers. Although detectives were occasionally in club, a uniformed officer frequently came in at closing time and made sure patrons left.

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with subversive groups. She never heard of LEE OSWALD until newspaper publicity of 11/22/63. She was not surprised of hearing that RUBY shot OSWALD since she knew RUBY to be impulsive, quick tempered, over sensitive and at the same time loud, and somewhat of an extrovert. She never saw him with a gun, never heard him threaten anyone, nor did she see or hear of him strike anyone although he frequently argued bitterly with WESTON over details of show.

Available gambling informants, WSTA informants, PD sources and sources familiar with the entertainment field, contacted negatively for information re RUBY, family, friends, background or associates.

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Following investigation conducted telephonically by SA CHILTON B. CREASON, Union Springs, Alabama, on 11/26/63:

Chief of Police THOMAS K. SCROGGINS and Identification Officer Sgt. PAUL BLADES, Phenix City PD, Phenix City, Ala., Stated JACK LEON RUBY, aka, completely unknown to police and has no record of local arrest. Both advised Phenix City has no source of strippers since vice cleanup in 1954. Only establishment in Phenix City which now has occasional strippers is MELVIN CHADWICK, operator of Chad's Rose Room. CHADWICK informed all his "strippers" are secured through booking agency in Afanta and that RUBY is unknown to him. M. LAMAR MURPHY, Sheriff, Russell Co., and JOHN HENRY EAST, Deputy Sheriff, Phenix City, stated RUBY was unknown to that office and has no record of arrest. Both confirmed that Phenix City has no supply of "strippers".

who has wide acquaintance among former night club operators, tavern operators and gamblers in Phenix City area stated he is certain RUBY has no close connections in Phenix City and has never operated there. RUBY unknown to informant. Informant confirmed information that Phenix City has no source of "strippers".

All informants in Mobile Division, cognizant of gambling activities, are negative re RUBY and OSWALD.

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AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

Sources acquainted with some phases of Cuban activities in the New Orleans area advised on November 25, 1963, that they have no information regarding LEE HARVEY OSWALD, JACK LEON RUBY, JACK RUBENSTEIN, or O. H. LEE.

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INFORMANTS

The Cuban sources mentioned in this report who were contacted November 25, 1963, are as follows:

INFORMANT

New Orleans, Louisiana

Metairie, Louisiana

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New Orleans, Louisiana

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SA's REED W. JENSEN and WILLIAM L. NEWBROUGH

SA's L. M. SHEARER, JR. and MICHARL F. CAMPBELL

SA's JENSEN and NEWBROUGH

SA J. WOODROW GILMORE

SA GILMORE

SA's EARL L. HASSELL, JR. and LAWRENCE F. FOLSE

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The sources familiar with some Cuban activities in the New Orleans . who were contacted are as follows:

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New Orleans, contacted 11/26/63 by SA EARL L. HASSELL, JR.

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Additional sources familiar with some phases of Cuban activity in the New Orleans area advised on November 25-26, 1963 that they had no information regarding LEE HARVEY OSWALD, A. J. HIDELL, JACK LEON RUBY, JACK RUBENSTEIN or O. H. LEE.

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

Twentyfour CI's and PCI's in the New Orleans Division familiar with gambling and night club business were contacted by New Orleans agents on 11/25/63 and all advised that JACK LEON RUBY was not known to them.

Biloxi, Mississippi, a professional gambler, advised on 11/25/63 that on the night of 11/24/63, in Biloxi, he talked with all of the principal professional gamblers in the Mississippi Gulf Coast resort area, and note had heard of RUBY before that date. Informant said most of these gamblers had seen the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY on television that date.

gambling in Baton Rouge. La agents also contacted and leading gamblers in Baton Rouge, who advised they never heard of RUBY before 11/24/63, when he was charged with the murder of OSWALD.

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who is a known associate of and who has been and who has october and who has october and until october and solve of 1963, advised SA REED W. JENSEN on November 27, 1963, that he had never heard of a JACK LEON RUBY or a LEE HARVEY OSWALD, prior to their notariety in the connection with the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. The PC stated on examining tion of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. NOPD number 112723, that he aphotograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, NOPD number 112723, that he aphotograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, no person before. He said had never seen this individual in person before. He said he could not recall anyone who may have frequented the head never seen this individual in person before. He said he could not recall anyone who may have frequented the head never seen this person might be OSWALD.

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On November 25, 1963, SA WILLIAM F. DUKES contacted a prostitute and barmaid in gambling establishments, a professional gambler, and a barmaid working in gambling establishments, all of Gulfport, Mississippi. These informants had not heard of JACK LEON RUBY until they saw and heard on television, November 24, 1963, that he allegedly shot and killed LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

On November 25, 1963, SA H. WARREN TOOL, JR., contacted a cocktail lounge operator, a professional gambler working in gambling casinos, and professional cocktail lounge operator, all of whom are familiar with gambling and nightclub operators and are from the Mississippi Gulf Coast area, advised that they had not heard of JACK LEON RUBY until November 24, 1963, when he was charged with killing LEE HARVEY OSWALD. advised that on the evening of November 24, 1963, he had talked with most of the professional gamblers in the Mississippi Gulf Coast area and none of them had ever heard of RUBY before that date. This informant stated that most of these individuals said they saw RUBY shoot OSWALD while watching the television on November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA REGIS L. KENNEDY contacted a professional past-poster, who travels widely throughout the Eastern United States. The informant resides in New Orleans. He advised that he had never heard of JACK LEON RUBY before seeing RUBY on television on November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA L. M. SHEARER, JR. contacted a bookmaker operating in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana, who advised that he had never known RUBY other than having seen him on television and heard about him on television since November 24, 1963.

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On November 25, 1963, SA LESTER G. DAVIS contacted a homosexual who operates in the New Orleans French Quarter. This informant advised he had never known RUBY.

On November 25, 1963, SA REED W. JENSEN contacted operator of a gambling casino in Jefferson Parish, Louisiana. This informant, who travels widely, had never met or heard of RUBY until he saw RUBY on television on November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA FURMAN G. BOGGAN contacted a former tavern operator, who is presently a pimp and fencer of stolen property. This informant, who is originally from the formal and had never heard of him until he heard about RUBY on television since November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA RICHARD BUCARO contacted, a bartender and strip tease club manager, in the New Orleans French Quarter. This informant advised he had never known RUBY or heard of him until he saw RUBY on television since November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA FURMAN G. BOGGAN contacted PCI , a sports handicapper, who has traveled widely throughout the United States. Stated he had never heard of RUBY until he saw the shooting of OSWALD by RUBY on television on November 24, 1963.

On November 25, 1963, SA KEVIN J. HARRIGAN contacted a New Orleans French Quarter barroom operator, who advised that he did not know RUBY and had never heard of him until November 24, 1963, when RUBY shot OSWALD.

On November 25, 1963, SA J. DAWSON VAN EPS contacted a bookmaker in Jefferson Parish, and pCI, a former bookmaker, who frequents gambling establishments, and both advised they did not know RUBY and

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