

# Ruby to See Self on TV For 1st Time

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DALLAS, March 6.—Melvin Bell's long fight to save Jack Ruby from the electric chair begins sometime today, and the expectation is that it will be mainly uphill.

As quickly as possible after the state rests its case with more police testimony and a dramatic showing of film made from "live" and "slow motion" videotapes in which Ruby will see for the first time the actual killing of Lee Oswald, Mr. Bell will bring one of his prime witnesses to the stand.

He is Dr. Manfred Guttmacher, well-known Baltimore psychiatrist, who will testify that Ruby could have blacked out from psychomotor epilepsy just as he lunged at and shot Oswald in Dallas police headquarters two days after the assassination of President Kennedy.

## BLUNT TESTIMONY

It will be scientifically-worded evidence offered against an impressive and extraordinarily blunt case made against Ruby by the Dallas police.

In the three days the officers have been on the stand they have hammered home the following points:

• Ruby, far from being in a black out condition, growled

"You S.O.B., you killed the President," just before he shot the 22-year-old Marxist.

• Ruby repeatedly said, "I hope the S. O. B. dies," after officers snatched his gun away and took him in custody.

• Ruby, when denounced by a detective captain and asked why he shot Oswald, replied, "somebody had to do it. You guys couldn't do it."

• Ruby told at least two officers that he had planned to shoot Oswald three times, but that police jumped him so fast he could get off only one shot.

## TAKING STAND

The state concludes its presentation today by calling two police captains to the stand—Glen King and P. T. Dean.

Capt. Dean is expected to tell the jury of eight men and four women that he heard Ruby say, "I thought I could be a hero and I fouled it up."

Capt. King will corroborate yesterday's testimony that Ruby planned to shoot three times. He may also add that Ruby told him he shot Oswald so that there would not be an Oswald trial, which, he said, would cause Jacqueline Kennedy great anguish.

The showing of the films today will set a precedent that, conceivably, will never be approached again. This is believed to be the only murder of this stature ever seen on "live" television. Including the re-runs, it is estimated that 95 per cent of all the televiewers in the United States have seen what will be shown

again today in Judge Joe B. Brown's court.

At least two persons in court will be seeing the "show" for the first time.

One is a juror, Luther Dickerson, who said before being qualified that he had missed both the "live" and the "re-runs" because, as he explained, "I was out of town."

And then there is Ruby. He had the best view of anybody, but has been in jail since it happened and, of course, has not been among the countless millions here and abroad who have seen the act which rocketed him from sleazy anonymity to international notoriety.

The defense expects to call between 50 and 75 witnesses. It will need all next week to present its case, Mr. Bell told reporters after yesterday's session.

Biggest wrangle yesterday was the fight that persuaded the prosecution to take the wraps off two statements given and signed by Detective Thorpe, as D. McMillon, one of Ruby's captors, six days after the shooting.

When they were finally produced in court, Mr. Bell demanded a mistrial on the grounds that he had not been able to examine them before that.

He spent nearly three hours hammering away at Mr. McMillon on the stand, charging the witness with producing more Ruby "quotes" in front of the jury than he included in his report to his superior, and to the FBI.

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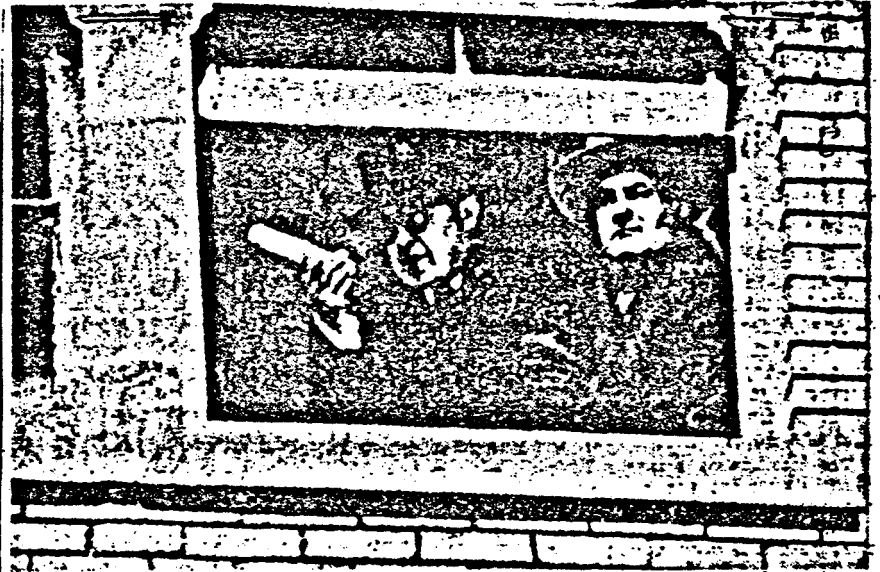
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**DET. L. C. GRAVES**  
*"Disarmed Ruby"*  
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does not have to let the defense see material of this sort. First Asst. D. A. Bill Alexander was asked late yesterday why he had acceded to Mr. Bell's demands that he release the statements. Mr. Alexander shrugged and said:

"That damn liberal U. S. Supreme Court would have forced us to give it to them."



**SHOOTING SCENE...** Melvin Belli (left) and Joe Tonahill, counsel for Jack Ruby, at window of

Dallas building from which Lee Harvey Oswald is alleged to have killed President Kennedy.