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JACK L. RUBY; LEE HARVEY  
OSWALD - VICTIM

By letter dated June 11, 1964, the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy requested photographs of Curtis Laverne Crafard, also known as Larry Crafard, be exhibited to Wilburn Waldon Litchfield, II, to determine if Litchfield believes Crafard resembles the man he saw at the Carousel Club and believes might have been Lee Harvey Oswald. Request was also made for interviews with J. W. Grubbs, Max Lewis and Ernie Stoy, with whom Litchfield claims he was playing poker from Saturday night, November 23, 1963, and through Sunday, November 24, 1963, and to whom Litchfield alleges he made a statement he believed he had seen Oswald before. Request was made any information be obtained which these persons can furnish concerning the reputation of Litchfield for truthfulness.

As a result of inquiries in Dallas, Texas, Litchfield contacted a Special Agent of the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation by telephone on June 17, 1964, and gave an address, telephone number and employment in Houston, Texas, through which he may be reached.

Attached hereto are reports of interviews with:

Ernest Francis Stoy  
Jess Willard Grubbs  
Max Lewis

Attachments

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ERNEST FRANCIS STOY, Owner, Stoy's Garage, 2222 Lamont, Dallas, Texas, advised he is acquainted with WILL LITCHFIELD, J. W. GRUBBS, and MAX LEWIS, and recalls playing poker with these men on Saturday evening, November 23, 1963, at the GRUBBS residence in Dallas, Texas.

Mr. STOY stated this poker game was in progress all Saturday night and most of Sunday morning, November 24, 1963. STOY recalled that during the morning hours J. W. GRUBBS left the poker game for a few minutes and went into the kitchen for coffee. Upon returning to the poker table, GRUBBS stated that OSWALD had been shot. STOY stated that all four men then viewed television for a while and learned that OSWALD had been shot by JACK RUBY. At this point, LITCHFIELD stated, "That's the fellow that owns the night club. I have been in there." STOY stated he can recall no further conversation thereafter. He advised all four of his group were startled by the announcement of OSWALD being shot.

STOY further advised he never heard of LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY prior to the events of President KENNEDY's assassination.

He advised he has known LITCHFIELD for two years, having met him while bowling. STOY said he has no reason to doubt LITCHFIELD's character or integrity and STOY considers LITCHFIELD to be an honest man.

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JESS WILLARD GRUBBS, 4104 Huckleberry Circle, Dallas, Texas, President, Facilities Engineering Company, 3611 Folklore Trail, Dallas, advised he was present on November 23, 1963, at his house during a poker game involving MAX LEWIS, ERNEST STOY, and WILL LITCHFIELD. GRUBBS stated this poker game began about 9:00 p.m. and lasted until the afternoon of November 24, 1963.

GRUBBS recalls that around 9:00 a.m. on November 24, 1963, he went into his kitchen and at that time heard on television that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had been shot by JACK RUBY. GRUBBS stated he informed the other members of the poker game of this event. Shortly thereafter, LITCHFIELD said something such as "What did that crazy bastard do? He's a close and personal friend of mine." LITCHFIELD then made a reference to the Carousel Club and a remark that he was associated with JACK RUBY in other clubs.

GRUBBS stated he discounted all of LITCHFIELD's remarks concerning an association with JACK RUBY. GRUBBS stated he has known LITCHFIELD for four years and considers LITCHFIELD to be of poor character and definitely not a man to trust. GRUBBS stated LITCHFIELD had boasted and bragged about himself in the past and he thought LITCHFIELD's remarks about knowing RUBY were in a boastful vein. GRUBBS further advised that LITCHFIELD lost at the poker game that night and paid his debts with bad checks.

GRUBBS stated he never heard of RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD prior to the events of the assassination of President KENNEDY. He also stated he never heard LITCHFIELD mention the name RUBY or OSWALD prior to or after the aforementioned poker game.

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MAX LEWIS, 505 Westmount, Apartment 108 (2800 block of Davis), telephone No. FE 9-9755, advised as follows:

LEWIS recalled being involved in a poker game with WILBURN W. LITCHFIELD, J. W. GRUBBS, and ERNIE STOY. The game was held on November 23, 1963, at GRUBBS' home, 4104 Huckleberry Circle, Oak Cliff section of Dallas, and lasted all night. The game began Saturday night and broke up sometime on Sunday. LEWIS was unable to recall the exact times the game began or ended.

LEWIS had been out all night Friday night, the night before the poker game. He slept for a while on Saturday and then Saturday evening went to GRUBBS' home to play poker. After playing poker all night Saturday, LEWIS took a nap on the couch while the game continued in progress. He recalled he discovered that RUBY shot OSWALD sometime after he awoke from this nap. LEWIS was unable to remember whether someone told him RUBY shot OSWALD or whether he saw it on television. LEWIS left the poker game on Sunday morning, went home, and then returned to the game after a short nap.

LEWIS stated that during the poker game LITCHFIELD made some reference to slightly knowing RUBY. LEWIS was unable to recall the exact context of this conversation but remembered that RUBY's name was mentioned by LITCHFIELD and LEWIS thought LITCHFIELD's knowledge of RUBY was very slight.

LEWIS could not remember whether LITCHFIELD stated he (LITCHFIELD) was in the Carousel Club. LEWIS stated he never heard LITCHFIELD mention that he (LITCHFIELD) saw OSWALD in RUBY's company at the Carousel Club.

LEWIS stated he would never place any faith in LITCHFIELD's statements. LEWIS believed LITCHFIELD always tried to give the impression that he was a "big shot" and if any names were prominent in the newspapers LITCHFIELD would make a point of remarking he was familiar with that particular personality. Further, LEWIS knew LITCHFIELD had issued several forged checks and this was another

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reason why he would not place any credence in LITCHFIELD's comments. In addition, LEWIS knew of several instances in which LITCHFIELD made exaggerated statements which were untrue and unbelievable.

LEWIS stated he knew of one instance in which LITCHFIELD "conned" a woman from Arizona out of several thousands of dollars. LITCHFIELD opened a used car lot with this money but the woman recovered some of it. LEWIS advised LITCHFIELD was known among his associates as a "con man."