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JACK L. RUBY;
LEE HARVEY OSWALD - VICTIM

By letter dated July 14, 1964, the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy requested the Commission be provided results of any interviews with Mr. Elmo Sleight and Mr. A. J. Reno, who apparently owned a washateria in Lee Harvey Oswald's neighborhood and may have information concerning any acquaintance between Oswald and Jack L. Ruby. Results of investigation in the above regard are attached.

The Commission further requested to be advised whether employees of the Dobbs House, 1221 North Beckley, Dallas, other than Douglas Leake and Sam Rogers, have been interviewed in connection with the patronage by Jack Ruby and Lee Harvey Oswald at that restaurant.

A summary of investigation previously reported in this connection follows:

On December 5, 1963, Sam Rogers, Manager, Dobbs House, 1221 North Beckley, Dallas, advised Special Agent Kenneth B. Jackson he had never personally known Oswald or Ruby, but that he had, since President Kennedy's assassination, recognized Oswald's picture as being that of an individual who had been a coffee customer in the Dobbs House Restaurant. He said he had no information Ruby had ever been a customer in the restaurant.

On December 5, 1963, Douglas Leake, 1159 North Madison, Apartment 9, Dallas, advised Special Agent Jackson he had, prior to November 22, 1963, worked the 10:00 PM to 6:00 AM shift at

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Dobbs House. He said he recalled Ruby as a customer, but had not seen Ruby for a year or more prior to November 22, 1963. Leake claimed he had recognized pictures of Oswald as being a person who had been in Dobbs House about two times during the days preceding the assassination. He stated he had never seen Ruby and Oswald together.

On December 6, 1963, Mary Adda Dowling, 617 West 10th, then employed by Skillern's Drug Store No. 41, Preston Road and Forest Lane, stated she was formerly employed by Dobbs House, 1221 North Beckley, during daytime hours. She professed to recognize pictures of Oswald as a person who had eaten breakfast at the restaurant usually between 7:00 and 7:30 AM. She related she recalled the person now recognized as Oswald was last seen by her in the restaurant at about 10:00 AM, Wednesday, November 20, 1963, at which time he was "nasty" and used curse words in connection with his order. She went on to relate Officer J. D. Tippit was in the restaurant as was his habit at about that time each morning and "shot a glance at Oswald." She said there was no indication, however, they knew each other. Miss Dowling professed not to have known Jack Ruby as a customer, but said she had heard from another employee he was a night customer.

With reference to the allegation of Miss Dowling that Oswald was in the restaurant at about 10:00 AM, November 20, 1963, it is noted Roy S. Truly, Warehouse Manager, Texas School Book Depository, advised Special Agent Nat A. Pinkston on November 29, 1963, that Oswald's working hours were from 8:00 AM to 4:45 PM, with a lunch period from 12:00 noon to 12:45 PM. He said, however, there was no punch time clock.

On November 25, 1963, A. S. Aiken, Bookkeeper, Texas School Book Depository, made available copies of payroll records which reflected Oswald worked an eight-hour day on November 20, 1963.

Attached are the results of additional interviews in the above regard.