

'LIKE REALLY REMOTE'

Where's Marina? Friends Silent

Where was the widow of Lee Harvey Oswald on the long-awaited day of the Warren Commission report?

"She's down at Lake Tawakoni with Priscilla Johnson writing a book," said her attorney, William A. McKenzie.

"No, she's not at Tawakoni now. I do know that, although I can't say where she is. The only time I hear from her is when she calls me," said a close friend and sometime interpreter, Mrs. Declan Ford.

"She's well out of town—like really remote," said Jack Leggett, an editor with Harper & Row publishers.

FRIENDS DETERMINED

The friends and advisors of Marina Oswald, now a Richardson resident, were determined Sunday that she would not be subjected to the stress of answering newsmen's questions.

The Harper & Row editor flew to Dallas Saturday to act as a buffer between the accused

sassin's widow and newsmen eager to get her reaction to the report on President Kennedy's death.

He had a prepared statement.

"Miss Johnson is now interviewing Mrs. Oswald in preparation of this book," the statement read. "It is my understanding that until its completion Mrs. Oswald is not going to make any statements beyond the testimony she has already given the Warren Commission and the documents which appear in its report."

Miss Johnson is the American newswoman who once interviewed Lee Oswald in the Soviet Union shortly after he had announced he was seeking citizenship in that country.

ON KENNEDY STAFF

Miss Johnson had met personally both Oswald and President Kennedy. She worked on the late president's staff when he was a senator.

The book will be published early next year, Mr. Leggett said.

"The purpose . . . will be to con-

tribute what it can to the public knowledge and to the history of the extraordinary circumstances, historical, sociological and psychological attending the life of Oswald's wife and widow," the prepared statement said.

"It is Harper & Row's belief that the national interest will best be served by avoiding any unseemly exploitation of the tragedy in which this book is rooted and plans to do so at each step of the book's publication," the statement continued.

Mr. Leggett also denied knowledge of just where the widow is now staying.

WORKING ON BOOK

The attorney, Mr. McKenzie, said: "I couldn't even get in touch with her myself. All I know is that they've got a house down at Tawakoni and are working on the book."

He said the two women have been there approximately three weeks.

Another unanswered question: Where are the two children of Mrs. Oswald?

Apparently, they remained in town.

Mrs. Ford, friend and confidante of Mrs. Oswald, said she calls her every day "to ask about her children." But just where the children are, Mrs. Ford again declined to say.