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Raymond Cummings

Man Claims Ferrie, Ruby Oswald Link

A spokesman for the district attorney's office said Thursday that the office is investigating an "unconfirmed" story of a Dallas man who said he once drove Lee Harvey Oswald and David Ferrie to Jack Ruby's Carousel Club.

The spokesman emphasized that his office has investigated "8 or 10" similar stories linking Oswald and Ruby.

Investigators talked with the man, identified as Raymond Cummings, 35, a former taxicab driver, last weekend and plan to question him again Friday.

The spokesman said that the report, termed a "sensational story" by a wire service, apparently was revealed in New Orleans.

Cummings reportedly told Dallas investigators that he picked up Oswald, Ferrie and an unidentified man in his cab early in 1963. He said he took them from near Jack Ruby's Oak Cliff apartment to Ruby's downtown strip club.

The cab driver reportedly said he earlier drove Oswald from Downtown Dallas to Irving.

Ferrie, a New Orleans pilot, was linked to an assassination plot by Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison of New Orleans. Ferrie was found dead Feb. 22 and a coroner later ruled he died of natural causes.

Cummings reportedly contacted Garrison and said he recognized a picture of Ferrie as the man in his cab. The Dallas district attorney's office spokesman did not disclose why Cummings waited three years to report the incident.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said last week that his investigators had questioned several persons who claimed to have witnesses linking Oswald and Ruby. Wade said he suspected that Oswald may have been aided in his plans, but he knew of no link with any person or group.

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