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Oswald Pat, Marina Due To Testify

The widow of accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald and a Marine Corps buddy of her husband are both scheduled to be questioned today before the Orleans Parish Grand Jury in Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison's continuing investigation into the murder of President Kennedy.

The district attorney's office has indicated that both Marina Oswald, now Mrs. Kenneth Jess Porter of Richardson, Tex., and Kerry Thornley of Tampa, Fla., will be questioned about Oswald's acquaintances here prior to 1963.

MRS. PORTER, who reportedly drove to New Orleans yesterday with her husband, has said, "I don't think I could help in Mr. Garrison's work."

Thornley, a freelance writer who has written two novels concerning Oswald, has said he never saw the accused murderer since they went their separate ways in the Marine Corps.

Also scheduled to testify today is Thomas Beckham, who was ordered returned to New Orleans from Omaha, Neb., last week. Judge Mathew S. Braniff granted Beckham a week's delay before he had to appear before the jury at the request of his attorney, Edward Booker.

When the DA's office subpoenaed Mrs. Porter, Assistant DA James L. Alcock said his office has "some very interesting questions to ask

Mrs. Oswald. We have indications she was with Lee when he talked to people we are interested in," he added.

At the time she said she would "hate to go down there because Mr. Garrison is so powerful. I don't know if I could prove my innocence to him."

THE SUBPENA for Thornley, who at first indicated he would fight to stay in Florida but later relented, said he had been seen in the company of Oswald while Oswald was living in New Orleans.

Beckham, who tags himself as a minister and psychologist, is originally from the New Orleans area and the DA's office reportedly wants to question him about his alleged association with the late David Ferrie.

Garrison has pegged Ferrie as a participant in the assassination of Kennedy.

Oswald, who the Warren Commission concluded was the lone assassin, was shot to death by Jack Ruby two days after the President was killed.

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