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TO DIRECTOR (62-109060) AND DALLAS (89-43)

FROM NEW ORLEANS (89-69)

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY,
DALLAS, TEXAS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTWO, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE,
MISC - INFORMATION CONCERNING. OO: DALLAS.

RE NEW ORLEANS TEL FEBRUARY TWENTYTWO LAST.

ACCORDING TO AN ARTICLE APPEARING IN THE FEBRUARY TWENTYTHREE
INSTANT ISSUE OF THE NEW ORLEANS TIMES-PICAYUNE NEWSPAPER THE
TRIAL OF CLAY L. SHAW CONTINUED ON THE AFTERNOON OF FEB. TWENTYTWO
LAST WITH THE DEFENSE CALLING MRS. RUTH PAINE OF IRVING, TEXAS,
AS A WITNESS. MRS. PAINE TESTIFIED AS FOLLOWS:

SHE FIRST MET LEE HARVEY OSWALD AND MARINA OSWALD THROUGH
MUTUAL FRIENDS IN FEBRUARY NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AND THAT IN MAY
NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE LEE OSWALD CAME TO NEW ORLEANS TO LOOK FOR
WORK. APPROXIMATELY A WEEK AFTER OSWALD HAD LEFT IRVING, TEXAS,
MRS. PAINE DROVE MARINA TO NEW ORLEANS WHERE SHE JOINED OSWALD.

SHE TESTIFIED SHE STAYED WITH THE OSWALD'S A FEW DAYS THEN
RETURNED TO IRVING, TEXAS AND DID NOT SEE THEM UNTIL LATE
SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE, HOWEVER, DURING THIS PERIOD HAD
WRITTEN LETTERS TO MRS. OSWALD.

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MRS. PAINE TESTIFIED SHE CAME TO NEW ORLEANS ON SEPTEMBER TWENTY NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AND REMAINED WITH THE OSWALDS AND LEFT NEW ORLEANS ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYTHREE WITH MARINA AND HER SMALL CHILD AND ARRIVED BACK IN IRVING, TEXAS ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFOUR NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE.

SHE TESTIFIED THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD WAS LIVING AT THE APARTMENT ON MAGAZINE STREET WHEN SHE ARRIVED. SHE TESTIFIED THAT DURING THE TIMES SHE OBSERVED OSWALD HE DRESSED INFORMALLY, BUT WAS NEAT AND CLEAN IN HIS APPEARANCE AND THAT SHE NEVER SAW OSWALD WEAR A BEARD OR NEED A SHAVE.

SHE WAS SHOWN A PHOTOGRAPH OF DAVID FERRIE AND TESTIFIED SHE DID NOT RECOGNIZE FERRIE AS ANYONE FAMILIAR TO HER AND THAT PRIOR TO THE PUBLICITY REGARDING FERRIE SHE HAD NEVER HEARD HIS NAME.

SHE ALSO STATED THAT PRIOR TO THE PUBLICITY THE NAMES OF PERRY RAYMOND RUSSO, CLEM OR CLAY BERTRAND WERE UNKNOWN TO HER AND THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD HAD NEVER MADE REFERENCE IN HER PRESENCE TO ANYONE HE KNEW.

SHE TESTIFIED THAT OSWALD DID NOT KNOW HOW TO DRIVE A CAR AND HAD ATTEMPTED TO TEACH HIM TO DRIVE IN OCTOBER NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE WITH LITTLE SUCCESS. SHE TESTIFIED THAT SHE AND MARINA OSWALD FIRST LEARNED OF THE ASSASSINATION WHEN THEY HEARD IT ON TELEVISION AND THAT SHE OWNED A CHEVROLET STATION WAGON WHICH WAS PARKED IN HER DRIVE WAY AT THE TIME OF THE ASSASSINATION. SHE TESTIFIED SHE DID NOT LOAN HER VEHICLE TO ANYONE ON THE DAY OF THE ASSASSINATION.

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SHE TESTIFIED THAT SHE DID NOT EVER SEE OSWALD WITH A GUN AND DID NOT KNOW IF HE HAD STORED A GUN IN HER GARAGE AT LEAST NOT UNTIL AFTER THE ASSASSINATION.

SHE TESTIFIED SHE HAD NEVER SEEN CLAY SHAW BEFORE THIS DATE AND HAD NEVER HEARD THE NAME CLAY SHAW BEFORE THIS PUBLICITY.

UPON CROSS-EXAMINATION BY THE PROSECUTION MRS. PAINE TESTIFIED THAT AFTER SHE HAD RETURNED WITH MARINA TO IRVING, TEXAS ON SEPTEMBER TWENTYFOUR NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE THE NEXT TIME SHE OBSERVED OSWALD WAS ON OCTOBER FOUR NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. SHE TESTIFIED THAT SHE AND MARINA UNLOADED THE OSWALD'S BELONGINGS FROM HER STATIONWAGON WHEN THEY ARRIVED IN IRVING AND THAT LEE OSWALD HAD PACKED AND LOADED THEIR BELONGINGS IN THE STATIONWAGON IN NEW ORLEANS. SHE TESTIFIED THAT IN SEPTEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AS OSWALD WAS PREPARING TO LEAVE NEW ORLEANS HE MENTIONED TO HER THAT HE WAS GOING TO HOUSTON OR PHILADELPHIA TO SEEK WORK BUT DID NOT MENTION GOING TO MEXICO. SHE TESTIFIED SHE DID NOT SEE OSWALD IN THE SUMMER OF NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE AND OSWALD NEVER IDENTIFIED ANY OF HIS FRIENDS TO HER.

SHE TESTIFIED THAT OSWALD DID NOT COME TO HER RESIDENCE IN IRVING, TEXAS, THE WEEKEND BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION, BECAUSE MARINA HAD ASKED HIM NOT TO. SHE TESTIFIED THAT OSWALD CAME TO HER RESIDENCE ON THE DAY BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION ARRIVING SOMETIME BEFORE FIVE THIRTY P.M. AND AFTER DINNER OSWALD WENT TO HIS ROOM BETWEEN EIGHT THIRTY AND NINE P.M.

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SHE TESTIFIED SHE DID NOT PURCHASE ANY CURTIN RODS FOR OSWALD NOR DID HE EVER ASK HER TO DO SO.

SHE TESTIFIED THAT IN NOVEMBER FBI AGENTS CAME TO HER RESIDENCE INQUIRING ABOUT OSWALD, THIS BEING IN EARLY NOVEMBER NINETEEN SIXTYTHREE. SHE TESTIFIED THAT SHE TOLD THE FBI THAT OSWALD WAS WORKING AT THE TEXAS BOOK DEPOSITORY.

SHE TESTIFIED THAT SHE HAD NEVER HEARD OF THE NAMES O. H. LEE OR A. J. HIDELL BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION.

ACCORDING TO THIS ARTICLE AFTER COURT WAS RECESSED ON FEB. TWENTYTWO INSTANT THE DEFENSE INDICATED THAT PROBABLY IT WOULD COMPLETE ITS CASE BY FEBRUARY TWENTYSIX NINETEEN SIXTYNINE.

THIS ARTICLE ALSO RELATED THAT THE DEFENSE BITTERLY OBJECTED TO MANY OF THE PROSECUTION'S CONTENTIONS CONCERNING THE WARREN REPORT DURING THE TESTIMONY OF SA ROBERT FRAZIER OF THE FBI LABORATORY DURING THE MORNING SESSION ON FEBRUARY TWENTYTWO SIXTYNINE. ON ONE OF THESE OCCASIONS DEFENSE ATTORNEY IRVIN DYMOND WAS PROMPTED TO STATE "IF THE STATE WANTS TO CHARGE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WITH FRAUD, IT SHOULD COME OUT AND DO SO."

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

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