

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, DALLAS (89-43) ✓

DATE: 12-4-63

FROM : SA KENNETH C. HOWE

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY

With respect to question which has arisen as to how many weekends after arrival in Dallas OSWALD missed going to Irving, Texas on a Friday evening, the following is set forth.

On page 2 of a 302 covering an interview with MARINA OSWALD (there are two for this date - this one having second paragraph starting "She advised that . . ."), Mrs. OSWALD stated:

Following her return from the hospital (10-22-63), OSWALD visited her in Irving each weekend with two exceptions, one was when OSWALD called her from work on a Friday, exact date not recalled, to inform her he had an appointment to see about a job at some photographic concern, the next day, Saturday, and thus would not be able to come to Irving that Friday. He did show up on Saturday "before lunch" saying he had applied for the job but had been unsuccessful.

The second weekend, Mrs. OSWALD said, was the weekend of 11-15/17-63, when she told him not to come to Irving because the PAINE children were having a party. He did not come at all that weekend. This November weekend is accounted for by Mrs. GLADYS JOHNSON (page 359 of report of SA ROBERT P. GIMBERLING dated 11-30-63 at Dallas), who was OSWALD's landlady at 1026 Beckley. She said she recalls his spending the weekend of 11-15,16,17-63 at the Beckley address.

There is no other weekend, however, following 10-22-63 where our investigation has not shown OSWALD went to Irving on Friday night and spent the balance of the weekend at the PAINE residence up until he went there on Thursday night of the final week. There was, though, a weekend before Mrs. OSWALD even went to the hospital which in general meets the description of the other weekends she describes. This occurred on the weekend of 10-11,12,13-63. On the Friday night of that weekend (Armistice Day), OSWALD spent all day and night at his then residence, 611 N. Marsalis, according to the landlady there, Mrs. MARY BLEDSOE (page 342 of GIMBERLING's report). Mrs. BLEDSOE said OSWALD did leave the house with a valise on Saturday, 10-12-63, saying he would be gone for the balance of the weekend. Mrs. 1963

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BLEDSON said he left the house shortly after 9:30 A.M. on this Saturday, and it is noted MARINA OSWALD in the 302 described hereinbefore, stated he arrived in Irving before lunch on this date. This would appear to possibly be the weekend Mrs. OSWALD had reference to as the second one following her return from the hospital, having possibly become confused as to whether this was before or after that time. It should be noted, though, her information indicates that on the weekend she talks about, OSWALD is supposed to have told her he was not coming on Friday night because he did not like his work at the Texas School Book Depository and was going to try to get another job on Saturday. The weekend of 10-11/13-63 is, of course, before OSWALD began working at the Texas School Book Depository.

In a review of the reports in this matter, it has not been possible to establish any date when OSWALD didn't go to Irving on a Friday night, and applied for a job somewhere on Saturday morning. There seems to be no way, therefore, of resolving the discrepancy which is evident in the foregoing except to re-discuss this matter with Mrs. OSWALD and attempt to establish either exactly what the two weekends were following her return from the hospital when OSWALD didn't come to Irving on a Friday night, or attempt to determine whether one of these weekends could have been prior to her going to the hospital in which event the weekend of 10-11/13-63 would be applicable, although, as noted above, OSWALD was not working at the Texas School Book Depository as of that date.