Tolson DeLoact/ Callahan Conrad . Sulliván Tavel: Trotter 2 Tele. Room Holmes ADD KENNEDY ASSASSINATION, NEW ORLEANS (UPI-110)
RUSSO SAID HE WAS NOT SURE OSWALD WAS A MAN HE KNEW AS "LEON
OSWALD" WHEN HE SAW THE ASSASSIN ON TELEVISION AFTER PRESIDENT UNDER CROSS-EXAMINATION AT SHAW'S PRELIMINARY HEARING, RUSSO WAS ASKED BY DEFENSE ATTORNEY F. IRVIN DYMOND IF HE RECOGNIZED OSWALD IN THE DAYS FOLLOWING THE ASSASSINATION AS LEON "I GAVE IT THOUGHT BUT I COULDN .T BE POSITIVE OF THE MAN" HE SAID.

"I WAS NOT DEFINITE. IT WAS PROBABLY THE SAME MAN. IT CROSSED
MY MIND. THEY WERE ONE AND THE SAME BUT I COULD NOT BE DEFINITE."
DEFENSE ATTORNEYS ALSO PLAYED IN COURT TODAY THE TAPE OF AN
INTERVIEW RUSSO HAD WITH NEW ORLEANS STATION WDSU TWO WEEKS AGO, IN
WHICH HE SAID HE HAD "NEVER HEARD" OF OSWALD BEFORE THE ASSASSINATION.
DYMOND WAS QUESTIONING HIM ABOUT THE TAPE WHEN THE HEARING
DECESSED WHITH, 11 A.M. EST THURSDAY. RECESSED UNTIL 11 A.M. EST THURSDAY.

"I KNEW LEON OSWALD, WHO HAD WHISKERS," RUSSO SAID. "HE WAS DIRTY, HIS HAIR WAS RUFFLED UP." 3/15--TS612FES

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