



FUNERAL FOR OSWALD—Members of the family of Lee Harvey Oswald, slain suspect in the assassination of President Kennedy, sit beside his casket at a simple funeral service in Fort Worth. From left are Oswald's wife, Marina holding daughter June Lee, 22 months; Robert Oswald, a brother, and his mother, Marguerite Oswald holding another daughter, Rachel, five weeks old. (AP Wirephoto).

Future Looks Bleak For Mrs. Oswald

DALLAS (UPI) — Mrs. Marina Nicholaevna Oswald faced the future today with two tiny children, no money, a stigma on her name and one certain wish. She does not want to go back to her native Russia.

The 23-year-old widow's constant companions were Secret Service agents. Friends said two magazine correspondents also were with her and she might be selling her life story. There had been private offers of donations. But other than that, they said, she has no funds.

Since her 24-year-old husband was arrested as the assassin of President Kennedy, Mrs. Oswald has appeared briefly at the edges of the drama. She came and went at the police headquarters, always with her two-year old baby June Lee and

her five-week-old daughter Rachel. Mrs. Oswald was seen at the Texas State Memorial Hospital — where the President and her husband died of their wounds.

Mrs. Oswald, whose English is limited to a few simple words, is one of three women widowed by the assassination.

Unlike Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. J. D. Tippit, wife of the slain Dallas policeman, Mrs. Oswald was not permitted to see her husband's body until it was brought to the cemetery. There the cheap coffin was briefly opened. She and Oswald's mother Marguerite, a 56-year-old practical nurse in Fort Worth, kissed the corpse.

The elder Mrs. Oswald sobbed and patted and soothed the whimpering infant during the funeral. While Marina kissed her husband, her brother-in-law Robert L. Oswald of Denton, Tex., held June Lee.

pathy from many. Mrs. Ruth Paine, who sheltered her and the children in Irving, Tex., said she was "gratified" by the number of people who called to offer donations to the widow.

Marina was a pharmacist in Russia, Mrs. Paine said. "But she speaks only a few words of English. She would take any kind of job but fears that resentment over her husband might keep people from hiring her."

Mrs. Paine said Mrs. Oswald's mother-in-law was afraid she might have trouble getting a job.

"She's (Marina) a very good mother, a thoughtful person and the kind of woman who does not want to be dependent or beholden to anyone," Mrs. Paine said.

Mrs. Oswald and her children had lived with Mrs. Paine since last September.

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