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TONAHILL SAID THAT MARINA OSWALD IDENTIFIED ALL OF THE ITEMS LISTED AND ALSO GAVE AUTHORITIES THE NAME USED TO ORDER THE RIFLE. "THE STRONGEST THING THE STATE HAD WAS WHEN THEY ARRESTED OSWALD AND OSWALD SAID 'THIS IS THE END,'" TONAHILL SAID.

TONAHILL SAID THAT THE STATE MIGHT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO CONVICT OSWALD FOR THE MURDER OF OFFICER JAMES TIPPETT. HE SAID THAT PROSECUTOR HENRY WADE EXPRESSED DOUBTS TO HIM PERSONALLY THAT THE STATE COULD CONVICT OSWALD OF KENNEDY'S MURDER.

THE DALLAS ATTORNEY SAID THAT DESPITE THE FACT HE BELIEVED THAT OSWALD COULD NOT HAVE BEEN CONVICTED OF THE ASSASSINATION IN TEXAS, "IT HAS BEEN POSITIVELY ESTABLISHED THAT OSWALD DID IT AND DID IT ALONE."

HE DESCRIBED THE TRIAL OF RUBY AS BEING UNCIVILIZED.

"WE DOCUMENTED 100 ERRORS THAT THE PROSECUTION COMMITTED DURING THE TRIAL," SAID TONAHILL.

TONAHILL DESCRIBED ATTEMPTS BY NEW ORLEANS DIST. ATTY. JAMES GARRISON TO PROVE A CONSPIRACY AS "A POLITICAL EXTRAVAGANZA."

HE ADDED THAT THE "DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS DEALING WITH REJECTS."

TONAHILL WAS REFERRING TO GARRISON'S USE OF WITNESSES WHO HAD BEEN REJECTED BY THE WARREN COMMISSION. TONAHILL SAID THAT ATTEMPTS TO DISCOUNT

THE WARREN COMMISSION "HAVE COME FROM SCAVENGERS INTERESTED IN MAKING A BUCK."

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