

FBI denies interviewing former Jack Ruby stripper

DALLAS (AP) — One of Jack Ruby's former strippers says she was interviewed this week by the FBI, but the agency has denied such an interview occurred and said it is unaware of any plans to reopen the Kennedy assassination case.

"I don't know what they're talking about," said Gordon Shanklin, the agent in charge of the FBI's Dallas office, when questioned about a Dallas Times Herald story.

The newspaper reported Thursday that the FBI has quizzed one of Ruby's former strip-lease dancers and that a second stripper from Ruby's old Carousel Club is being sought for questioning.

"The development comes close on the heels of questioning by federal agents of several Dallas police officers and amid growing hints of a large-scale new FBI investigation of the assassination of President Kennedy," the story said.

The first of the two strippers was identified as a onetime featured performer at Ruby's nightclub who appeared under the professional stage name of Shari Angel.

She is said to be living now in a Dallas suburb.

Miss Angel told the Times Herald she was interviewed by the FBI Monday in Los Angeles on a number of topics. One, she said, was an allegation that the accused assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald, had visited the Carousel Club on two occasions shortly before the assassination.

The newspaper also said:

The other stripper, identified as Kathy Kay, reportedly told her Carousel co-workers she had danced with Oswald at the club a few days prior to Kennedy's death Nov. 22, 1963.

She reportedly left Dallas

Nov. 24, the same day Ruby shot Oswald to death in the basement of the Dallas police station.

Miss Angel said the British-born Miss Kay was not a U.S. citizen and may have feared she would be deported if investigators discovered she

was in the country illegally.

Concerning the Times Herald conversation with Miss Angel, Shanklin said:

"I haven't talked to this girl.

I checked with our Los Angeles bureau and they haven't talked to her and my headquarters in Washington hasn't talked to her."

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