

two attorneys who have been in the case since the beginning, Emil Burleson and Joe H. Tenobill."

#### HEARING QUESTIONED

Mr. Fowler said that from following the case closely, he now questions the advisability of pursuing a sanity hearing, describing it as "premature" at this time.

"At the present time it appears advisable to go the appellate route," he said. "As long as Jack is getting medical treatment in the county jail, it seems advisable to take the case to the appellate courts and fight hard for a reversal."

Mr. Fowler said he is sure that the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals will give the record of the case the highest possible scrutiny and if there is error, Ruby will get another day in court.

#### ATTENDED SMU

Mr. Fowler, who attended the Southern Methodist University Law School, has successfully prevented U. clients from going to the electric chair in cases where the state sought the death penalty. He has a record of no death penalty verdicts.

He was elected president of the Dallas Criminal Bar Association in 1967 to serve during the current year. A charter member of the Criminal Bar group, he has also

held offices as secretary-treasurer, vice president and board member. Mr. Fowler is a disabled war veteran, having lost a leg in a fighter plane crash in World War II.

As president of the bar association, he strongly criticized Judge Joe B. Brown for appointing a public relations firm to handle press arrangements during the Ruby trial. He also testified of a change of venue hearing that in his opinion Ruby could not get a fair trial in Dallas County because of the high feelings following the assassination of President Kennedy.

Although Mr. Fowler would not criticize the handling of the trial by previous attorneys, he did complain. "I would not have conducted the defense the way it was handled." He said, however, that every attorney has his own method of presenting a defense.

The lawyer said he feels that Ruby is "a very sick man and in all likelihood was insane legally and physically" at the time he shot Oswald.

Mr. Fowler said he has been given full authority to conduct the appeal in the Ruby case in whatever manner he determines best. One previous chief lawyer, Percy Foreman of Houston, resigned from the case last May after joining it with a complaint that Ruby's family was hindering the defense work.

The family fired San Francisco attorney Melvin Belli, who led the defense in the highly publicized trial. Another chief counsel, Tom Howard of Dallas, resigned shortly after Ruby was denied a change of venue. At that time it was rumored Mr. Howard objected to Mr. Belli's handling of the case.

Ruby's brother, Earl Ruby, and his personal attorney, Sol Damm of Detroit, reportedly contacted Mr. Fowler late Monday requesting that he enter the case. The Times Herald also learned that they contacted another prominent Dallas attorney recommended by Mr. Fowler. But after that lawyer declined to enter the case, Mr. Fowler agreed to join the defense.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Tells Warren of Shock And Anger, Sources Reveal

By CARL FREUND

Jack Ruby told Chief Justice Warren that shock and anger over the assassination of President Kennedy led to his decision to kill Lee Harvey Oswald. The Dallas News learned Monday.

The News was told that Ruby denied emphatically that he shot Oswald as part of a Communist conspiracy to silence the assassination suspect.

Warren spent 3 1/2 hours with Ruby in the Dallas County jail Sunday after viewing the nearby Texas School Book Depository Building.

Investigators say Oswald, a 24-year-old Marxist, crouched in a 6th-floor window of the depository building while firing the shots which killed President Kennedy and wounded Gov. John Connally last Nov. 22. Ruby shot Oswald in the City Hall basement two days later.

The length of the jail conference between Warren and Ruby indicated the slayer answered questions in detail.

Piecing together information obtained from sources in Dallas and Washington, The News learned:

—Ruby gave a lengthy explanation when asked why he decided to kill Oswald.

—Ruby insisted he was not a Communist and had never met Oswald.

—Ruby said he made a trip to Cuba "on business" and it did not involve Fidel Castro, who had not yet seized power.

—Warren spent much of his time listening to Ruby tell about incidents in his past.

Alvin Belli, chief defense lawyer for Ruby at his trial, contended that the striptease club manager shot Oswald during a brief blackout which followed a

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-4-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
JUN 17 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

psychomotor epilepsy seizure. Prosecutors said Ruby "planned an execution in the mistaken belief it would bring him fame and fortune."

Newspapers around the globe speculated that Ruby and Oswald were Communist agents and that Ruby received orders to silence Oswald.

Ruby apparently went to great lengths to assure Warren that he was not a Communist and that his decision to shoot Oswald was not the result of any instructions from Red leaders.

The chief justice heads a commission appointed by President Johnson to investigate the Kennedy assassination and the slaying of Oswald. Another member of the commission, Rep. Gerald Ford of Michigan, and J. Lee Rankin, its chief counsel, were also in the jail while a shorthand reporter recorded Ruby's words.

Joe Tonahill, a defense lawyer who joined them, said Ruby tried to answer questions as thoroughly as possible. Tonahill said, however, that Ruby's mental condition was "bad."

The witness roster for a Warren Commission hearing in Washington Monday included Dist. Atty. Henry Wade and Police Sgt. Patrick Dean, who gave damaging testimony against Ruby at his trial.

Atty. Gen. Wagoner Carr, who was in Washington Monday, said Wade's testimony involved "his role in the investigation conducted after the assassination of President Kennedy, statements by him to the press, and conversations with Secret Service agent (Forest) Sorrels."

Carr said the commission wanted to question Sgt. Dean about his interview with Ruby shortly after Oswald was shot.

Other witnesses this week will include State Department officials who will discuss Oswald's stay in Russia and his trip to Mexico, and Oswald's widow.

There are indications the commission is nearing the end of its intensive investigation and wants to review testimony of other witnesses with Mrs. Oswald to determine whether she can add details.



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Warren Visits City And Talks to Ruby

By JOHN GEDDIE

Heavily guarded Chief Justice Earl Warren made a surprise trip to Dallas Sunday for a 3 1/2-hour interview with Jack Ruby and a 2-hour tour of the Texas School Book Depository.

Joe Tonnahill, a Ruby attorney, said the condemned killer was "very humble" during the interview but his mental condition was "bad, in my opinion."

Warren, the head of the commission now investigating the assassination of President Kennedy and subsequent events, was accompanied by Rep. Gerald Ford of Michigan, a commission member, and J. Lee Rankin, the commission's chief counsel.

The officials, accompanied by Sheriff Bill Decker, a stenographer, Tonnahill, Assistant Dist. Atty. Jim Bowie and former SMU Dean Robert Storey of Dallas, entered the county jail about 11:30 a.m. and left at 3 p.m.

The interview was held in a conference room at the jail rather than in Ruby's cell, Decker said.

Tonnahill said Ruby, known as a Warren admirer, shook hands with the chief justice and attempted to answer questions.

"The interview was as thorough as the situation was capable," the attorney said. "but Jack's mental state is bad."

Tonnahill called the visit "a very historical meeting."

It had been reported that Warren would visit Dallas during the week, but the Sunday interview was unannounced. A Secret Service agent showed surprise at the number of news media men on the scene.

Officials at the Dallas Police Department said they were not notified. No city officers were on duty at the crowded assassination site.

The group arrived at the Texas School Book Depository—apparently direct from the airport—about 9:30 a.m. A long, covered object—believed to be the rifle allegedly used by Lee Harvey Oswald—was carried into the building. Agents also carried books or bound volumes of testimony into the building.

When Warren emerged from the building at 11:30 a.m., he ignored questions and climbed into a Secret Service car for a short,

quick trip to the rear of the county jail.

At approximately the same time, Ruby's two brothers and sister arrived at the jail. They said they did not know of the federal interview. Earl Ruby of Detroit was accompanied by Dr. Emanuel Tenay, a professor of psychiatry at Wayne University at Detroit, and Sol Dann, Earl Ruby's attorney.

Sam Ruby appeared before the commission Tuesday, he said.

He added that his brother was "in bad shape" Saturday.

When the group left under guard at 3 p.m., Warren again ignored questions — this time with a tight smile. Rankin paused to say that "we took the testimony of Jack Ruby."

The group then went to the 723 Turtle Creek apartment of Dr. Storey, former dean of the Southern Methodist University Law School and now a member of Texas Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr's panel on the investigation.

After leaving North Dallas, the agents drove Warren through the Oak Cliff area where Oswald and Ruby lived, and where Oswald was captured. They then went to Hensley Field where they reportedly left for Washington.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas.

Date: 6-8-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:  
Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIALIZED \_\_\_\_\_  
JUN 12 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



Chief Justice Earl Warren, left, talks with Dr. Robert Storey, former dean of the Southern Methodist University Law School and now a

member of the Texas attorney general's assassination investigation panel. The two are shown at Storey's apartment at 3525 Turtle Creek.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)



--Dallas News Staff Photo

### NEW PSYCHIATRIST IN RUBY CASE

Detroit attorney Sol Dann, left, and Mrs. Eva Ruby, right, talk Sunday with Dr. Emanuel Tanay, center, a professor of psychiatry at Wayne

University in Detroit, Earl Ruby's home. The trio talked downstairs while Jack Ruby was interviewed by Chief Justice Earl Warren.

(Full page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Morning News"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 6 8 64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas

SEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_ INDEXED \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ FILED \_\_\_\_\_  
JUN 17 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Jack Ruby Now Taking Tranquilizer

Condemned slayer Jack Ruby has begun to take medicine prescribed by his psychiatrists, Dallas County medical authorities said Thursday.

The convicted slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald had earlier refused to begin treatment authorized Monday by Dist. Judge Joe E. Brown for a mental condition described by psychiatrists as a "psychotic depression."

A county medical authority confirmed Thursday that Ruby had begun to accept tranquilizing pills (Thorazine) but did not take the medication each time it was offered to him in his county jail cell.

The medication has been prescribed by Dr. William R. Beav-

er, retained by Ruby's family to treat the 33-year-old former night club operator.

A source close to Ruby's family revealed Wednesday that the condemned slayer had refused to take any medication because he thought it was poison.

Dr. J. M. Pickard, county health officer, would only confirm that a course of treatment had been prescribed and that county nurse Fay Garrett had been ordered to carry out the treatment.

Dr. Pickard later told reporters Ruby had declined treatment earlier in the week and told the county nurse he did not think he needed it because "he was feeling better."

Meanwhile, Judge Brown said Thursday he had not received any official notice that Ruby's latest chief counsel, Dr. Hubert Winston Smith, had withdrawn from the case. Dr. Smith had announced his withdrawal late Tuesday to return to his post as professor at the University of Texas.

Judge Brown said Dr. Smith was still officially in the case along with Dallas attorney Phil Burleson and Joe H. Tomhill of Jack-

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

21 "The Dallas Times-Herald" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-4-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Felix R. McKnight

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Spurns Drugs For Second Day

Jack Ruby claims he does not need drugs prescribed by psychiatrists, a doctor said Wednesday. Dr. J. M. Pickard said the 33-year-old condemned slayer refused Tuesday and again Wednesday to take pills prescribed for his emotional condition.

As Dallas County health officer, Dr. Pickard supervises the medical treatment of county jail inmates.

Dr. Pickard quoted Ruby as saying:

"I'm feeling pretty good now. I don't need them. But I'll take them if I feel depressed."

The county health officer said Ruby was told he would not be forced to take any medicine.

Judge Joe B. Brown announced Monday that Dr. Pickard and three psychiatrists would arrange for Ruby to receive drugs while he awaited a June 19 hearing. The psychiatrists had said the slayer needed treatment for his emotional condition.

Dr. Pickard said that, as far as he knows, Ruby has not received any drugs since Judge Brown's announcement.

Joe Tomahill, a defense lawyer, said doctors planned to give Ruby Thorazine and other drugs designed to keep him from becoming overly depressed or agitated.

Another defense lawyer, Phil Burleson, said he talked to Ruby in the county jail Monday afternoon and the slayer agreed to take the pills.

"I told him it was for his best interest — that we hoped they would do some good," Burleson said. "When I heard that he had refused, I phoned his family and suggested that a brother go to the jail and urge Jack to take the pills."

"If he doesn't take the medication, he can't be helped. We can't force him to take it."

Relatives say Ruby has expressed the fear he will be poisoned.

Psychiatrists told Judge Brown that Ruby became emotionally ill after a jury ruled he should die in the electric chair for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the Marxist accused of assassinating President Kennedy here. They diagnosed his condition as "depression."

Prosecutors said Ruby was suffering from the "death cell blues," a state of despondency common among condemned men. They contend he remains legally sane.

Ruby is in a unique position. Judge Brown will decide June 19 whether he gets a sanity hearing before a jury which could spare him from the electric chair. The judge says his decision will depend largely on how Ruby responds to treatments during the next two weeks.

This means that, if the treatments improve his condition, he reduces his chances of avoiding the electric chair.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-4-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas

SEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_ INDEXED \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ FILED \_\_\_\_\_  
JUN 6 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Snubs Medicine In Jail Cell

By JERRY RICHMOND  
Staff Writer

Condemned slayer Jack Ruby has refused to take pills prescribed by psychiatrists to begin treatment for his mental condition, a source close to his family revealed Wednesday.

"Jack won't take his medicine," the source told The Times Herald. "His family is very upset because he tells them someone is trying to poison him with the pills."

Treatment, including the administration of tranquilizing drugs, was attempted in Ruby's cell Tuesday, the source said.

Dr. J. M. Pickard, county medical officer, said that medication had been ordered to begin upon the recommendation of the three psychiatrists in the case. He said the medicine, a tranquilizer, was to have been administered by the jail nurse, Mrs. Faye Garrett, but

he did not know how Ruby reacted to the offering of the medicine or if he had refused to take it.

Dist. Judge Joe B. Brown ordered treatment to begin Monday after a daylong conference with state and defense attorneys. Three psychiatrists, including doctors representing the state, the defense and the court, were called into the conference in the judge's chambers to recommend the type of treatment to be administered.

## DOCTOR RETAINED

Dr. William R. Feavers has been retained by the Ruby family to prescribe the course of treatment to be administered under the supervision of county medical authorities. The Southwestern Medical School psychiatrist will act under provisions of Texas law as Ruby's personal physician while he is in the Dallas County jail. Judge Brown has ordered a

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-3-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Felix R. McKnight

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Clipping collected

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
JUN 6 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

show cause hearing on June 19 to determine if the 54-year-old former nightclub operator who shot and killed assassin Lee Harvey Oswald to death in the basement of City Hall on Nov. 24 should be granted a sanity hearing.

The hearing was requested by defense attorneys after Ruby smashed his head against his jail cell wall in April.

Since that time he has been caught by jailers stripping cloth from his jail uniform in an apparent attempt to fashion a crude noose. Last week he hurled a cupful into a light fixture in his cell in a brief rage. Doctors said he also clawed himself.

#### PLANS UNCHANGED

Meanwhile, Ruby's attorneys said the resignation of chief defense counsel Dr. Hubert Winston Smith will not delay defense efforts to secure a sanity hearing for the condemned slayer.

Attorney Phil Furlson said that he and Joe H. Tonahill of Jasper will continue to press for legal, psychiatric relief for the 54-year-old former nightclub operator.

Dr. Smith, a University of Texas professor, withdrew from the

case late Tuesday, stating he would return to academic life now that his work in the case has been completed.

His resignation came in a two-page letter in which he said he had entered the case only to help secure new scientific evidence.

"It must be realized that the case has now reached an appeal stage where purely legal questions will need to be reviewed over a considerable period of time," the letter said. "I feel that whatever unique mission I may have had has now been completed. I must qualify myself to return to my academic obligations in sustaining myself and my family."

Dr. Smith entered the Ruby case in April without fee after the Ruby family dismissed trial lawyer Melvin Bell of San Francisco.

Houston lawyer Percy Foreman also had briefly entered the case.

The withdrawal of Dr. Smith leaves attorneys Furlson and Tonahill to pursue appeals and initiate sanity action. Both these lawyers have remained in the Ruby case since shortly after Ruby was indicted for the slaying of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Dist. Judge Joe H. Brown has ordered a show cause hearing for June 19 to determine whether Ruby should be granted a sanity hearing before a jury.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Belli Talks to Group Dealing With Epilepsy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Melvin Belli, chief defense counsel during Jack Ruby's murder trial, reiterated Wednesday his belief that Ruby has the rarest form of epilepsy.

But despite some distortions on that point, Belli said, "Jack Ruby was on trial in Dallas — not epilepsy."

Belli made the comment in calling for an end to what he termed unwarranted public superstition and hostility towards epileptics—sentiments he said "existed long before Jack Ruby was born."

And he spoke of distortions about epilepsy because of references made to the affliction during the trial of Ruby for the murder of Lee Oswald, alleged assassin of President John F. Kennedy.

Belli's speech was for a meeting touching off a month-long, nationwide public education program sponsored by the Epilepsy Foundation, a nonprofit voluntary health organization, "to counter widespread misinformation about epilepsy."

President Johnson, in a telegram to the foundation, extended "my best wishes as you commence your campaign for better public understanding of epilepsy."

"Much of our society is still unaware of the advances in research and treatment which make it possible for most persons with epilepsy to lead fully normal lives," Johnson said.

In Ruby's trial, the defense was based largely on the contention—backed by testimony of some scientists—that the defendant had a form of epilepsy known as "psychomotor" epilepsy. Five psychiatrists for the state contended there was no definite evidence of any kind of epilepsy in Ruby's case.

(In this space, name of newspaper, city and state.)

12 "The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-3-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED..... INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED..... FILED.....  
JUN 6 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Lawyer Resigns Post

By CARL FREUND

The resignation of Dr. Hubert Winston Smith as chief defense attorney for Jack Ruby was announced Tuesday.

Dr. Smith indicated he would return to his teaching duties in the University of Texas law school. University regents ruled earlier this year that he must take a leave of absence while devoting his time to the Ruby case.

Phil Burleson, another defense lawyer, disclosed the resignation here.

Burleson said he and Joe Tonahill of Jasper will continue to represent Ruby.

"We do not anticipate any new attorney in the case and do not, for the present, see any necessity for one," Burleson said.

Dr. Smith, who holds medical and legal degrees, became chief defense lawyer after Percy Foreman of Houston quit.

Foreman replaced Melvin Belli, who was fired by the Ruby family after a jury sentenced the striptease club manager to the electric chair for the Nov. 24 murder of Lee Harvey Oswald.

Reporters noted Dr. Smith was not present when Burleson and Tonahill conferred with Judge Joe P. Brown about Ruby's mental condition Monday.

Dr. Smith said:

"I came into the case primarily to develop scientific elements bearing on Ruby's emotional status. I have developed this evidence and recruited scientific specialists who are ready and willing to carry out further studies when the court may desire their aid.

"The case is now in the appeal stage with purely legal questions to be reviewed. I feel I have contributed what I came into the case for and that the legal aspects will receive a highly competent presentation from Tonahill and Burleson."

Burleson said Dr. Smith felt he should return to his academic work "to sustain himself and his family." Burleson described him as "a dedicated man in his field."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-3-64

Edition:

Author:

Title: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

[ ] Item Investigated

SEARCHED INDEXED

SERIALIZED FILED

JUN 6 1964

FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby to Get Treatment

By CARL FREUND

Jack Ruby will receive psychiatric treatment in his county jail cell until June 19. Judge Joe B. Brown announced Monday.

Then, the judge said, he will hear testimony in open court and decide whether to order a sanity hearing before a jury for the condemned slayer.

Judge Brown said also that a Parkland Hospital spokesman told him a hospital authorities didn't want Ruby as a patient.

Judge Brown's announcement came after a daylong series of conferences with lawyers and psychiatrists.

If a sanity hearing is ordered June 19, Judge Brown said, he will schedule it during July—possibly July 6.

"Whether I order a sanity hearing will depend largely on how he responds to treatment in the jail," the judge said.

If a jury should rule that Ruby has become insane since his murder trial, the verdict would spare him from the electric chair — temporarily, at least. He would go to the Rusk State Hospital for the criminally insane and remain there until another jury ruled he had regained his sanity.

Judge Brown said Ruby will receive drugs recommended by three psychiatrists who have observed him. They are Dr. Robert Stubbieff, who represented the court; Dr. John Holbrook, who was retained by the district attorney's office; and

Dr. William R. Beavers, who was hired by the Ruby family.

They agreed in a conference with Judge Brown that Ruby needed treatment.

Joe Tonahill, a defense lawyer, said he was informed that the psychiatrists will prescribe Thorazine, a drug aimed at relieving anxiety and tension.

Ruby was not present as Judge Brown conferred with lawyers and psychiatrists behind closed doors. Relatives of the former striptease club manager waited outside the courtroom.

The June 19 hearing will be open to the public.

"I will hear testimony at that time from the psychiatrists and others," the judge said. "Then I will decide whether to order a sanity hearing before a jury."

If a sanity hearing is scheduled, Judge Brown said, another judge may preside since he plans to take his vacation in July.

Judge Brown said a Parkland Hospital spokesman told him it would "rather not have" Ruby there.

"They take the position out there he should go to a state hospital if he is hospitalized," the judge said.

Asked who decided upon treatment in the jail followed by the June 19 hearing, Judge Brown said, "It was my idea." He said prosecution and defense lawyers were "not in disagreement" with the plan.

Tonahill said the psychiatrists told him that Ruby was

suffering from a "psychotic depression." Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said he still believes Ruby legally sane and thinks the slayer is only showing the emotional depression exhibited by many condemned men.

A jury sentenced Ruby to the electric chair for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald. While millions watched on television, Ruby shot Oswald two days after Oswald was arrested as the prime suspect in the assassination of President Kennedy.

Judge Brown said the psychiatrists did not express an opinion whether Ruby was "acting" or exhibiting symptoms of emotional illness when he battered the wall of his cell and smashed a light with a cuspidor recently.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-2-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
JUN 6 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# MEDICS AGREE RUBY'S SICK

A conference in Dist. Judge Joe Brown's chambers was recessed shortly before noon Monday with both state and defense attorneys in apparent accord over Jack Ruby's need for mental treatment.

Judge Brown ordered a halt in the closed meeting until the three psychiatrists in the case could be present Monday afternoon.

"The psychiatrists are in accord that Jack Ruby does need mental treatment," the judge said after more than an hour in conference. "In all probability some treatment will begin at least in his cell."

Judge Brown said the con-

ferential slayer had been found mentally ill by Dr. Robert Stubbinsfeld, appointed by the court; Dr. William R. Heavers, family-retained psychiatrist, and Dr. John T. Hoffbrook, who represents the state.

Judge Brown said the only question now remaining to be solved is "how treatment will be administered, what treatment will be used and perhaps, where this treatment can be best obtained."

Defense attorney Joe H. Tonahill expressed hope that the state would agree with recommendations for treatment made by the three doctors without going through a jury sanity hearing.

"It seems likely that we can now agree on a course of action to provide the treatment we want for Jack Ruby," Mr. Tonahill said after the meeting. He said the meeting with Dist. Atty. Henry Wade, first Asst. A. D. Bowie and chief prosecutor William F. Alexander had been cordial. Defense attorney Phil Burleson also was present in the conference.

Judge Brown also said that the opening meeting had been fruitful, adding that treatment can probably be obtained in Dallas County.

"I am prepared to offer a course of action to both sides based on psychiatric reports and the doctor's recommendations this afternoon," the judge said. "I will probably base my decision on the next step on the doctor's suggestions from this afternoon's conference."

The judge declined to outline his proposed plan for treatment but said it now appeared all parties would agree.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

12 "The Dallas Times-Herald" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-1-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor:

Title:

Felix R. McKnight

Character:

Classification:

Submitting Office:

Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
JUN 5 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Mental Status Due More Study

Routine medical tests completed on condemned slayer Jack Ruby last week produced negative results, but the question of his mental health will be studied again Monday.

A meeting between attorneys from the state and defense with Dist. Judge Joe R. Brown has been scheduled to discuss the sanity hearing requested by the Ruby family. The meeting, to be held in the judge's chambers, reportedly will deal with psychiatric studies recently completed on Ruby, convicted slayer of accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald.

Dr. Robert L. Stubbinsfield, psychiatrist named to examine Ruby for the court, has reported to Judge Brown that Ruby is mentally ill and in need of treatment.

However, Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said the various reports from psychiatrists indicate Ruby can be treated in jail or at Dallas' Parkland Hospital.

Mr. Wade said the state will fight any attempt to have the 31-year-old former nightclub operator declared insane and committed to a mental hospital.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

21 "The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-31-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_ INDEXED \_\_\_\_\_

SERIALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ FILED \_\_\_\_\_

JUN 6 1964

FBI - DALLAS

*FW*

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

TO PROBER

## Sam Ruby Gives Long Statement

Sam Ruby, brother of Jack Ruby, the convicted killer of Lee Harvey Oswald, gave a lengthy sworn statement here Friday to Warren Commission Investigator Leon Hubert.

Hubert left Dallas Friday afternoon after talking with Jack Ruby's brother and their attorney, Phil Burleson.

Burleson said he attended the meeting under commission rules allowing persons giving depositions to be accompanied by their attorney. Burleson also accompanied Mrs. Eva Grant, Ruby's sister, when she talked with Hubert Thursday.

Burleson said he was there "in case" anything objectionable was asked, but that he made no objections during either interview.

Tam Howard, a former Ruby attorney, talked with Hubert and U.S. Atty. Barfoot Sanders at Sanders' office Friday but did not give a deposition.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

19 "The Dallas Morning News"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-31-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
JUN 6 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Doctor Says Ruby Regrets Jail Behavior

An assistant county medical officer said Friday that condemned slayer Jack Ruby expressed regret for berserk behavior in his Dallas County jail cell.

Dr. Julian MacDuck said he examined Ruby shortly after the Thursday morning incident. He said Ruby suffered only a superficial cut on his face.

Sheriff Bill Decker said Ruby apparently went berserk in his cell, smashing his eyeglasses and breaking a light bulb with a station.

The sheriff said a jailer rushed into the cell and subdued Ruby before he could do more damage.

Dr. MacDuck said routine physical examination of the 34-year-old prisoner shows him to be in normal health for a man of his age.

The doctor said Ruby was given a complete blood count, urinalysis, chest X rays and serology. All proved negative, he said.

Dr. MacDuck said, however, that his records show Ruby has lost 10 pounds since his arrest Nov. 21. The doctor attributed the weight loss to the jail diet—less rich than that of the nightclub operator prior to his arrest.

It was the second time that Ruby, who faces death in the electric chair for the slaying of Lee Harvey Oswald, has become unruly in his cell. The first incident was several weeks ago when Ruby banged his head against the cell wall. His lawyers and family depicted it as a suicide attempt and asked for a sanity hearing.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

27 "The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-29-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas

Items Investigated

SEARCHED INDEXED

SERIALIZED FILED

JUN 6 1964

FBI - DALLAS



## Prober Talks With Sister Of Jack Ruby

Warren Commission investigators have taken depositions from Jack Ruby's sister, Mrs. Eva Grant, with questioning of other persons scheduled Friday.

The depositions were being taken by Atty. Leon Hubert, one of several lawyers who have questioned more than 200 persons for the Warren Commission on all events surrounding the assassination of President John Kennedy.

The deposition-taking session with Mrs. Grant began around 5 p.m. Thursday and lasted for some time.

Mrs. Grant was accompanied to the session at the federal building by Atty. Phil Burdson, one of the attorneys who represents Jack Ruby in his plea for a sanity hearing and reversal of death sentence.

It was possible that Ruby's daughter, Sam, would give a deposition sometime Friday. Investigator Hubert has indicated the deposition taking may end by late Friday.

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
JUN 6 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Prober Takes Statements From Four

Warren Commission investigator Leon Hubert took sworn statements Thursday from four Dallas citizens, including Mrs. Eva Grant, sister of Jack Ruby.

Hubert, one of several attorneys who previously took depositions from more than 200 persons concerning the assassination of President Kennedy and subsequent events, also questioned Capt. Glen D. King of the Dallas police department, C. Ray Hall, an FBI agent who once interviewed Ruby, and Mrs. Mary Jane Robertson, a police department stenographer.

Hubert said he planned to leave Dallas after Friday, but "it depends on how things work out." The investigator is using a room at the office of U.S. Atty. Barron H. Sanders.

Phil Burleson, one of Ruby's attorneys, talked with Hubert and Sanders, but declined comment on the conversations.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1 "The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-29-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED	INDEXED
SERIALIZED	FILED
MAY 29 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Ruby Hurls Cuspidor At Light, Gets Cut

Jack Ruby received a superficial cut on his face Thursday when he hurled a cuspidor against a light bulb in his county jail cell.

Sheriff Bill Decker described the wound as "very minor."

Decker said the condemned slayer deliberately broke his eye glasses before shattering the bulb.

"He threw a fitzy, but we got him quieted down and he's doing all right now," the sheriff said.

Decker said deputies ordered Ruby to stay in his bunk after the outburst at 4:45 a.m.

The sheriff declined to say whether he believed Ruby was "putting on an act."

There were indications, however, that Decker believed Ruby was trying to convince the public he is insane. Prosecutors say they plan to use the sheriff as a witness if Judge Joe R. Brown orders a sanity hearing for the slayer.

Defense lawyers say Ruby has become insane since a jury ruled that he should die for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the Marxist accused of assassinating President Kennedy here.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1 "The Dallas  
Morning News"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-29-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....

JUN 6 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Mrs. Grant Gives Investigator Data

By JIM LEHNER  
Staff Writer

A Warren Commission investigator was in Dallas Thursday to take a formal deposition from Mrs. Eva Grant, sister of Jack Ruby. The Times Herald learned.

The commission official, Leon Hubert, was also to take depositions from other principals in the Ruby case, but their identity could not be determined immediately.

U.S. Atty. Barefoot Sanders confirmed the arrival of Mr. Hubert, but said he did not know who the investigator would question.

He said Mr. Hubert would be in Dallas only Thursday and Friday and that a court reporter had been assigned to him for the deposition taking.

Non-government sources said that Mrs. Grant, whose brother is under a death sentence for the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald, definitely will give a deposition to Mr. Hubert.

It is also believed that George Senator, former roommate of

Ruby, is slated to be questioned by the commission man.

In another commission development Thursday, it was learned that Dallas Police Sgt. P. T. Dean will testify before the commission in Washington.

Sgt. Dean, who was one of the key witnesses in the Ruby trial, presumably will be asked about a run-in he had with a commission investigator.

The investigator and the officer became involved in a dispute two months ago when the commission man allegedly called Sgt. Dean "a liar" during the taking of a deposition.

The commission investigator subsequently was removed from Dallas and the officer finished giving his deposition to Mr. Hubert.

Sgt. Dean was the officer who testified at the Ruby trial that immediately after Ruby's arrest on Nov. 21 he heard the former night-club owner say he had planned to shoot Oswald two days before and that he did it "to show the world Jews have guts."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

23 "The Dallas Times-Herald" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-28-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
JUN 6 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

### Decker Approves Ruby Lab Tests

Sheriff Bill Decker said Wednesday he has approved laboratory tests for Jack Ruby.

Decker said Dr. Julian Mar-  
dock, assistant county health officer, requested the tests.

"He said they could be made in the county jail," Decker related. "I understand they involve such basic tests as blood counts. I told him I had no objection."

Defense attorneys claim Ruby has "deteriorated physically and mentally" since a jury sentenced him to the electric chair for the

Nov. 4 murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the Marxist accused of assassinating President John F. Kennedy two days earlier.

Ruby sat in his cell Sunday while federal agents re-enacted the assassination a block away, but Decker said the slayer was unable to see them.

Investigators say that, like a previous re-enactment, the run-through showed conclusively that the bullets which struck President Kennedy came from the Texas School Book Depository Building, where Oswald worked.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

3 "The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 6-25-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
JUN 6 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Defense Presses Sanity Hearing Plea

A defense lawyer said Tuesday he stands ready to go into the federal courts if Judge Joe H. Brown refuses to order an immediate sanity hearing for Jack Ruby.

"Jack is entitled to an immediate hearing as a matter of law," said attorney Joe Tonahill of Jasper. "I'm mystified by Judge Brown's delay in ordering it. Unless he does so immediately, we will go to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and the federal courts to protect his right."

A spokesman for Judge Brown said he has scheduled a conference of lawyers and psychiatrists for 10 a.m. Monday to discuss the defense plea for a sanity hearing. Prosecutors say they will ask the judge to reject the plea. The conference was tentatively scheduled for last Monday, but delayed.

"I'm going to call Judge Brown and ask him to make a decision this week . . . now," Tonahill said. "Phil (Phil Purleson, another defense lawyer) and I have been trying since April 27 to get a hearing. There's no earthly reason for further delay."

Judge Brown must decide whether a jury should pass on the present mental condition of the

condemned slayer. Defense lawyers say Ruby has become insane since a jury ruled he should die in the electric chair for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the man accused of assassinating President Kennedy.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade concedes Ruby may be emotionally upset, but says he is legally sane and there is no need for a jury hearing.

If a jury found Ruby insane, he would go to a state mental hospital.

The slayer sat in his jail cell Sunday as federal agents re-enacted the assassination a block away.

Sheriff Bill Decker said, however, that Ruby was unable to see the agents.

Agents had re-enacted the assassination previously while surveyors charted the paths of bullets which struck President Kennedy and Gov. John Connally. But the Warren Commission apparently wanted another staged under its supervision.

Investigators say paths of the bullets show conclusively that they came from a window in the Texas School Book Depository Building.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Morning News"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-27-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....

MAY 27 1964



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Judge Delays Conference In Ruby Case

District Judge Joe B. Brown Monday postponed a conference with attorneys in the Jack Ruby case until 10 a.m. next Monday.

The conference had been scheduled on a request by defense lawyers for an early setting of a sanity hearing for the convicted slayer of accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald.

Attorneys for Ruby contend the 34-year-old former nightclub operator has become insane since a jury sentenced him to death on March 14.

Judge Brown appointed Dr. Robert L. Stubblefield, head of the department of psychiatry at Southwestern Medical School, to examine Ruby in his jail cell for the court. The doctor has filed a report of his findings with the court in which he reportedly found Ruby to be mentally ill and in need of psychiatric treatment. However, the report is not believed to recommend that Ruby be confined to a mental institution.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade has said the state would not object to Ruby being hospitalized at Parkland for treatment or being treated in the county jail.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5 25-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
MAY 27 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Talky Defense Tipped Hand On Ruby, Prosecutor Says

By RICHARD M. NORTHHEAD  
Austin Bureau of The News  
AUSTIN, Texas — Jack Ruby's lawyers tipped their hand on defense by talking too much to the press, Asst. Dist. Atty. William Alexander told a prosecutors' convention here Friday.

While Alexander did not mention the Ruby trial by name, he told the Texas District and County Attorneys Association that defense attorneys in a well-known recent criminal trial, by statements to reporters, indicated they would fight their courtroom battle in the field of neurology on interpretation of electroencephalographs in an effort to prove insanity.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade's staff then dug deeply into this field and brought nationally known experts to counter the defense witnesses.

"The jury could see that the 'psychomotor variant' wasn't recognized by the medical profession," said Alexander. "We were lucky."

Alexander said courtroom psychiatrists fall generally into two classes in their attitude toward criminals. One group, which he

called the "way out" psychiatrists, contends all criminals are insane, and usually also opposes the death penalty.

The other group of psychiatrists "feels that laws and enforcement" will restrain the 10 per cent of the population whose behavior harms other people, said Alexander. These are willing to express opinions on whether a defendant "knows right from wrong," he said.

"There's been a vogue toward epilepsy lately (in defense)," Alexander commented. There is "no real connection" between epilepsy and any tendency toward crime, he said.

The Dallas man advised prosecutors to have defendants in major criminal cases examined promptly by psychiatrists, if possible, and in any event by a physician.

The testimony of jailers who observe a defendant can be vital where the insanity plea is raised, Alexander said. Dallas County jailers, which he called "articulate," make daily written reports on their observation of prisoners, useful in case they are called to testify about their behavior.

First Asst. Dist. Atty. A. D. (Jim) Bowie of Dallas spoke on the admissibility of statements made spontaneously at the time of an offense, or shortly afterward. Generally any remark made later is barred from consideration, he said.

Travis Shelton, a former district attorney from Lubbock said that recent decisions by the U.S. Supreme Court and Texas Court of Criminal Appeals have raised major questions concerning the appointment of lawyers to defend indigent persons accused of crime.

The responsibility to get a lawyer for each accused lawbreaker apparently falls on the court, even though none is requested, said Shelton. He said this appears definitely to be required in all felony cases, and apparently also may be raised in "major misdemeanor" cases where a jail sentence is possible. This would include such offenses as giving worthless checks or driving while intoxicated.

Shelton urged the prosecutors to use their influence to see that the penniless defendant gets a good lawyer too. He said courts get a "bad image" from the public by levying heavier punishment on a poor defendant than one who can postpone punishment, if not avoid it.

30 dash

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-23-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas

[ Being Investigated ]  
SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Court Talks On Jack Ruby Hearing Due

Dist. Judge Joe B. Brown will meet Monday with defense attorneys and prosecutors to discuss the possibility of a sanity hearing for condemned slayer Jack Ruby.

Judge Brown agreed Friday to hold the meeting in his chambers after a request for the session was made by Phil Burleson, one of Ruby's attorneys.

No time was set, however, for the closed door conference.

Mr. Burleson said a time convenient to both sides and Judge Brown will be arranged.

Defense attorneys will press for a swift sanity hearing. Joe Tomahill of Jasper, another of Ruby's attorneys, said Thursday he wanted a sanity hearing held by next week.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade has said he will oppose a sanity hearing for the condemned slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald. The district attorney, however, said he would not be opposed to Ruby receiving

treatment in his cell or at Parkland Hospital.

Mr. Burleson said the purpose of the Monday meeting was to get Judge Brown to set a date for the sanity hearing. Judge Brown, however, has said that he would not take any action until he has talked with three psychiatrists involved in the case.

One of the psychiatrists, Dr. Robert L. Stubblefield, appointed by Judge Brown to examine Ruby, has already filed his report in which he recommends mental treatment for Ruby.

The other psychiatrists are Dr. John T. Holbrook for the state and Dr. William R. Beavers, hired by Ruby's family to treat him.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-22-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



# Ruby's Attorneys Pressing For Quick Sanity Hearing

Jack Ruby's defense attorneys Thursday said they would insist that a sanity hearing for the condemned slayer be held no later than next week.

Defense attorney Joe H. Tonahill of Jasper said a request would be made to Judge Joe B. Brown for the hearing. He expressed the hope that a pretrial conference in the judge's chambers, with attorneys and doctors for both sides present, could be held Monday.

Judge Brown has said he wants the conference before determining whether to hold a sanity hearing.

"I consider it to be inhumane every day a hearing is postponed and Ruby goes without treatment for his mental condition," Mr. Tonahill said.

The attorney also said Dr. William R. Beavers, who was hired by the Ruby family to treat the former nightclub operator, would examine Ruby again Thursday night in his Dallas County jail cell and would file a final report with Judge Brown Friday or Saturday.

## JUDGE WON'T RUSH

Judge Brown, who received a report from court-appointed psychiatrist Dr. Robert L. Stubblefield earlier this week, said, "I am not going to move a peg until I talk to all three psychiatrists."

He said the next step taken by the court would depend on what the doctors tell him about Ruby's current mental state.

"If they agree in their reports, that will give the court something to go on in deciding whether or not a sanity hearing is needed," the judge said. "If they disagree in their findings, I am going to depend on my psychiatrist, Dr. Stubblefield."

Judge Brown added, "I am not going to put the court in the position of denying any defendant medical treatment he may need."

tion seeking the hearing was filed April 27, two days before the defense was denied a new trial.

"At that time, our psychiatrist recommended to the court that Ruby needed immediate medical attention in a hospital," he said.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade has said the state will not object to Ruby's being treated in his cell or in Parkland Hospital. But the state has said Dr. Stubblefield's report did not indicate Ruby was legally insane.

Meanwhile, in another develop-

ment, Ruby's sister, Mrs. Eva Grant of Dallas, said a large contribution had been made to the Ruby defense fund by columnist Walter Winchell.

She said the donation, accompanied by a letter, was several hundred dollars and the largest received to date.

She also said that she had visited her brother this week in the jail and felt he looked like he had been in a "concentration camp."

"We feel he must be hospitalized soon or it may be too late," she said.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

**"The Dallas Times-Herald"**  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 21-6-4

Author:

Editor: **Felix R. McKnight**

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: **Dallas**

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Lawyer to Ask For Sanity Hearing

By CARL FRUEND

A defense lawyer said Wednesday he will ask Judge Joe R. Brown this week to order a sanity hearing for Jack Ruby.

The lawyer, Joe Tonahill of Jasper, said he will base the request on a report submitted to Judge Brown by Dr. Robert Stubblefield.

Dr. Stubblefield, who heads the Southwestern Medical School department of psychiatry, examined Ruby at Judge Brown's request.

The report prepared by Dr. Stubblefield states that Ruby is mentally ill and needs treatment, preferably in a hospital. The psychiatrist noted, however, that a man may be legally sane although mentally ill since medical and legal standards differ.

Tonahill said:

"Judge Brown assured us he would schedule a hearing and let

a jury pass on Ruby's sanity if Dr. Stubblefield believed him mentally ill. We feel we were entitled to the hearing, on the basis of Dr. West's affidavit and testimony. Now there can be no doubt."

Tonahill referred to Dr. Louis Jolyon West of the University of Oklahoma medical school, who said Ruby had delusions that he was "responsible for the slaughter of millions of Jews" throughout America.

Defense lawyers claim Ruby has become insane since a jury sentenced him to the electric chair for the Nov. 24 murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the Marxist accused of killing President John F. Kennedy and policeman J. D. Tippit.

If a jury agreed, Ruby would go to a mental hospital and could not be executed unless his sanity was restored.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade contends Ruby is sane and says he sees "no need whatever" for a sanity hearing now.

Wade said he was willing for Ruby to receive treatment temporarily in a hospital if psychiatrists think it is needed "to snap him out of his depression."

Tonahill said this "does not go far enough" and the defense will argue it is entitled to a sanity hearing as a matter of law.

If Judge Brown does order a hearing, prosecutors want him to delay it until September or October. By that time, they believe, the slayer's mental condition will have improved or deteriorated to such an extent that there will be little doubt about his sanity.

Judge Brown indicated last week he would delay a decision until he confers with Dr. Stubblefield; Dr. John Holbrook, who examined Ruby for the district attorney's office, and Dr. William Beavers, who was employed by Ruby's family.

Wade said Tuesday he had been informed Ruby was receiving "treatment for his mental condition" in the jail. The district attorney said Thursday he referred to interviews with psychiatrists and not to pills.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1. "The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-21-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_ INDEXED \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ FILED \_\_\_\_\_  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Authorities Deny Reports On Ruby Mental Treatment

Authorities Wednesday denied published reports that Jack Ruby is receiving treatment for any mental condition in his Dallas County jail cell.

Dr. Julian MarDock, assistant county medical officer, said, "We have deliberately avoided using any drugs on Ruby because of his legal status."

"Any tranquilizing drugs or other medications might prevent his doctors from obtaining proper diagnosis during psychiatric examination," Dr. MarDock said. "Another reason drugs have not been used to treat Ruby is that they might interfere with his court appearances and his ability to

work with his lawyers in his own defense."

Dist. Judge Joe B. Brown also denied Wednesday that he had ever told reporters or anyone else that Ruby was being given "happy pills."

And Dist. Atty. Henry Wade denied that Ruby was receiving treatment for mental illness.

"I have said that the state is willing to have whatever treatment administered which the doctors recommend," Mr. Wade said. "But I don't think any treatment has begun on Ruby."

Defense sources also denied the 57-year-old condemned slayer had been given medication or treat-

ment for a mental condition by defense doctors.

Ruby's attorneys seek a sanity hearing before a jury in which they hope to prove the slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald has become insane as he waits sentencing for the Nov. 24 slaying.

Dr. William Beavers, who was hired by Ruby's family to treat him, reportedly recommended that Ruby be treated in a hospital for a state of psychotic depression. In his report to the family, Dr. Beavers recommended that if treatment could not be obtained in a hospital, Ruby should be treated under close observation in Dallas County jail facilities.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

37 "The Dallas Times-Herald" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-20-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated  
SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Wade Says Ruby Receiving Mental Treatment in Jail

By CARL FREUND

Jack Ruby is receiving "treatment for his mental condition" in his county jail cell, Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said Tuesday.

Wade and Sheriff Bill Decker said they did not know what doctors had prescribed for the condemned slayer. Judge Joe B. Brown told reporters later, "I believe they are giving him 'happy pills' (tranquilizers) or something."

Wade said psychiatrists hope to "snap Ruby out of his depression."

Wade said he would not object to hospital treatment for Ruby. But the district attorney said, he would oppose a defense plea for a sanity hearing before a jury at this time.

Wade confirmed a Dallas News story which reported that a court-appointed psychiatrist, Dr. Robert Stubblefield, believed Ruby mentally ill.

The story said:

—Dr. Stubblefield advised Judge Brown that Ruby needed treatment, preferably in a hospital, for his mental condition.

—The psychiatrist noted that, since medical and legal standards differ, a man may be legally sane although doctors regard him as mentally ill.

—Psychiatrists believe Ruby suffers from a mental condition known as "depression" and, in addition, has a persecution complex.

Wade said:

"It is my understanding this condition is fairly common among men sentenced to the electric chair. It is more the rule than the exception. Dr. Stubble-

field's report certainly does not mean Ruby is legally insane."

Judge Brown said he wants to study other reports and confer with psychiatrists before deciding whether to order a sanity hearing.

Defense lawyers said Ruby has "deteriorated" behind jail bars since a jury sentenced him to die for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the Marxist accused of killing President John F. Kennedy and policeman J. D. Tippit.

The lawyers said they want an early hearing.

If Judge Brown does decide to order a hearing, prosecutors say, he should not schedule it before September or October.

By that time, they say, his condition should have improved or worsened to such an extent that there is little doubt about his sanity.

If a jury ruled Ruby insane, the verdict would "freeze" court action on his appeal. But, if Judge Brown sent him to a hospital for treatment without having a hearing before a jury, the courts could act on the appeal.

Judge Brown said at an April 29 hearing, however, that he doubts he has the power to send Ruby to a hospital.

Dr. Stubblefield said he expects Ruby's condition to alternately improve and worsen.

The psychiatrist said that, like many men sentenced to death, Ruby does not trust his lawyers.

Dr. Stubblefield said Ruby feels also that he is being blamed for the assassination of President

Kennedy here and wants to take a lie detector test to prove he was not a part of any conspiracy.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-20-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS  
LW

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Hospitalization Okay If Necessary, Wade Says

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said Tuesday the state would not object to hospitalization and treatment of condemned slayer Jack Ruby if the three doctors examining him think it necessary.

Dr. Robert Stubblefield, court-appointed psychiatrist, filed a lengthy report with Judge Joe B. Brown Monday and informed sources indicate the doctor found Ruby was emotionally ill.

But Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said it was not uncommon for condemned prisoners to become emotionally disturbed or mentally ill. He said this did not mean Ruby was legally insane.

Wade said he does not think that these reports

are justified," Mr. Wade said. "But if the doctors say he should have treatment and observation in the county jail cell or in Parkland Hospital it will be all right with the state."

Mr. Wade said he doubted that any sanity hearing would be held before next fall even if the prosecution insists.

"I do not see anything in Dr. Stubblefield's report that would call for him (Ruby) to be institutionalized," he said.

Judge Brown said he does not intend to set a date for a sanity hearing until he confers with attorneys and has reports from two other psychiatrists.

These reports are expected from Dr. William R. Beavers, who was retained by the Ruby family to treat the 53-year-old former nightclub operator, and Dr. John T. Holbrook, who represents the state.

Dr. Holbrook is expected to examine Ruby in his jail cell again this week before making any report to the district attorney's office.

Dr. Beavers reportedly told Ruby's family that he feels the defendant is suffering from a psychotic depression and should be hospitalized for treatment. He also reportedly recommended treatment of Ruby's mental condition with tension-reducing drugs.

Dr. Stubblefield said Tuesday he was under strict orders from the court not to discuss the findings in his report, and Judge Brown declined to make the text public.

Ruby's sister, Mrs. Eva Grant, has asked for a sanity hearing for her brother, claiming that he has become insane in his jail cell since his trial. Ruby injured himself by bashing his head into his cell wall last month in an apparent suicide attempt.

"The Dallas Times-Herald" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5/24/64  
Author:  
Editor:  
Reporter: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:  
Character:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
Investigation:

SEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_ INDEXED \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ FILED \_\_\_\_\_  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruby Mentally Ill, Needs Aid, Court Psychiatrist Says

By CARL FREUND

A court-appointed psychiatrist has advised Judge Joe B. Brown that Jack Ruby is mentally ill and needs treatment. The Dallas News learned Monday.

The psychiatrist, Dr. Robert Stubblefield, said he believed that Ruby would respond to treatment sooner if transferred from his county jail cell to a hospital. If this is not possible, Dr. Stubblefield said, the condemned slayer should receive psychiatric treatment in jail.

Dr. Stubblefield noted that the legal and medical tests of sanity are not identical. As a result, a man may be sane in the eyes of the law although doctors regard him as mentally ill and in need of psychiatric treatment.

Judge Brown asked Dr. Stubblefield, who heads the Southwestern Medical School department of psychiatry, to examine Ruby after defense lawyers requested a sanity hearing before a jury.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said he wanted to study the report before commenting.

"I haven't seen the report, but it's my understanding they (psychiatrists) feel Ruby needs some kind of treatment," Wade said.

"He's been under a strain, riding up there knowing he has been sentenced to the electric chair."

Wade emphasized that this does not necessarily mean Ruby is legally insane.

The district attorney noted that a jury ruled the slayer was sane when it convicted him of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the Marxist accused of assassinating President Kennedy here. But another jury could rule he has become insane since the trial.

Dr. Stubblefield's findings increased the likelihood that Judge Brown will order a sanity hearing.

If a jury rules Ruby became insane after his trial, he would go to the Rusk State Hospital. His appeal would be "frozen" and the courts would take no further action on it unless he was ruled later to have regained his sanity.

If the jury rules Ruby is still sane, the courts would hear his appeal. If they upheld his conviction, he would go to the electric chair.

The News was told psychiatrists agree that Ruby suffers from a mental illness known as "depression" and also has a persecution complex.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Morning News"  
Dallas, Texas

Jack B. Krueger

Dallas

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
MAY 27 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Psychiatrist Delivers Report On Ruby's Condition to Judge

A medical report on the mental condition of Jack Ruby was delivered Monday to Dist. Judge Joe B. Brown by Dr. Robert L. Stubblefield, the psychiatrist appointed by the judge to examine the condemned slayer.

Judge Brown said he would delay a decision on a defense request for a sanity hearing for the

convicted killer of Lee Harvey Oswald until other doctors have completed their examinations.

Contents of Dr. Stubblefield's report, based on examinations he conducted in Ruby's county jail cell the past two weeks, were not revealed by Judge Brown.

"I will ask attorneys from the state and defense to meet with

me in chambers when all the medical reports are completed," the judge said.

Judge Brown said he was waiting for additional reports from Dr. John T. Holbrook, who examined Ruby for the state, and from Dr. William R. Deavers, retained by defense attorneys to treat Ruby.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

17 "The Dallas Times-Herald" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-6-64  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# So-Called Experts Criticized by Wade

By THOMAS E. TURNER  
Central Texas Bureau of The News  
WACO, Texas—Dallas County Dist. Atty. Henry Wade told a large assembly of lawyers and judges Friday night that to leave the question of criminal responsibility to some of the so-called "medical experts" would give criminals free rein to sack our land.

Wade also pointed out how the Jack Ruby trial spotlighted mutual problems of the bar and the press. He said that "detractors" who pointed a finger at Dallas or Texas during the Ruby trial were in reality criticizing the whole American system of government under law.

He spoke to more than 200 lawyers and dozens of Texas speaking judges who gathered here for the annual Central Texas lawyers day.

Wade said this country's 121-year-old McNaghton Rule for determining legal sanity, the main question in Ruby's trial, is under attack by people who think that an "irresistible impulse" factor should also determine the sanity issue. The McNaghton Rule declares a man legally sane if he knows the difference between right and wrong and the nature and consequences of his acts.

To allow any other legal test would mean that "99 per cent of all murderers would be sent to mental institutions rather than penitentiaries, since it is abnormal in itself to commit murder," Wade asserted.

Wade said that separating the non-criminalist and the criminal is often

narrow, and to gear the legal test of criminal responsibility to such a "sociological phenomenon" is inviting the sociologist or psychiatrist to replace the lawyer, he declared.

Some people think sexual psychopaths should remain free to roam in society because their trouble is sociopathic and can be best treated in a normal environment, said Wade.

"Those of us charged with . . . protecting the public from such people would find our jobs almost impossible under those conditions. Such theories would be a virtual invitation to commit acts and then beg to be excused on the ground that some impulse or obsession could not be controlled because of mental defects which in all probability cannot be found or identified," Wade said.

He said Texas law should be changed to allow courts to require a defendant claiming insanity to submit to psychiatric tests by unbiased medical experts.

Wade said that neither Ruby nor his attorneys objected to complete live television coverage of the trial, but that he was against it because "the courtroom is not a place for a Hollywood production."

Wade said that despite accusations by some news media that Dallas was trying to avenge its reputation by punishing Ruby, "the emotions kindled by the tragedy could not reasonably be confined to Dallas or Texas or even that matter the whole of America."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

3 "The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Page 5 - 16 - 69

Author: Jack B. Krueger

Character:   
 Classification:   
 Submitting Office: Dallas

SEARCHED \_\_\_\_\_ INDEXED \_\_\_\_\_  
SERIALIZED \_\_\_\_\_ FILED \_\_\_\_\_  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## New Attorney To Join Ruby Defense Team

CHICAGO (AP)—A well-known and colorful Chicago criminal lawyer, Charles A. Bellows, will join the defense team striving to save Jack Ruby from the death sentence.

Bellows, 61, said he will participate in a sanity hearing when it is scheduled, along with three other Ruby lawyers. They are Dr. Hubert Winston Smith, director of the Law Science Academy of the University of Texas; Phil Burkson of Dallas, and Joe Tomahill of Jasper, Tex.

They are seeking a new trial for Ruby, who was convicted and sentenced to death for slaying Lee Harvey Oswald, President Kennedy's accused assassin.

Bellows said he was too busy earlier to accept an offer to defend Ruby in the month-long Dallas trial. He said California lawyer Melvin Belli was then hired. Ruby's family fired Belli after the trial.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-1-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
MAY 27 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Ruby Defense Gets Addition

Charles A. Bellows, colorful Chicago criminal lawyer, said in Chicago Thursday that he will join the Jack Ruby defense team when a sanity hearing is scheduled for the convicted slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald, accused assassin of President Kennedy.

Dr. Hubert Winston Smith, director of the Law Science Academy of the University of Texas, leads the Ruby defense team, whose other members are Phil Burlington and Joe Tomhill.

The Dallas News reported on April 12 that Bellows had been hired by the Ruby family to join the defense. Bellows said that Ruby himself had given his approval during a jail cell interview with Bellows on April 26.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Morning News"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-15-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Jack B. Krueger  
Title:

Character:  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
Indexing Investigated:

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Belli's Bar Hearing Slated Here June 15

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Melvin Belli says he faces "a worse kangaroo court than (Jack) Ruby faced—his terms for his hearing before the American Bar Association on charges of unethical conduct.

Belli said the hearing will be June 15 in Dallas, where he served as chief counsel for Ruby, convicted slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald, President Kennedy's accused assassin.

The bar association is to determine if Belli should be dismissed

from its ranks for his conduct immediately after the trial, when Belli thanked the jurors "for a verdict for bigotry." He added "I hope to get back to New York and see some free Jews and niggers and Puerto Ricans and dogs and Chinese and some free Americans, and take them by the hand and say 'Thank God I'm back in America.'"

Belli said the hearing board will be composed of O. B. McEwan of Orlando, Fla., Douglas Arant of Birmingham, Ala., John Hall of Jacksonville, Fla., Kirk McAlpin of Atlanta, Thomas Lemann of New Orleans, Gibbon Witherspoon of Meridian, Miss., and Dwight Simmons of Dallas.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Page: 11-6-4  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: **Felix R. McKnight**  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: **Dallas**  
Indexing Institution:

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS  
*W*

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Court Expects Sanity Report On Ruby Soon

District Judge Joe B. Brown said he expects a report from a court-appointed psychiatrist on Jack Ruby's mental condition later this week.

Dr. Robert L. Stubbfield of the psychiatry department at Southwestern Medical School was scheduled to examine the condemned slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald at the Dallas County Jail early Tuesday.

The judge said he was willing to get reports from two other psychiatrists before making a decision on ordering a sanity hearing for Ruby. The hearing was requested by Ruby's sister, Mrs. Eva Grant of Dallas, after a defense psychiatrist reported he thought Ruby was insane.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said the state's psychiatrist, Dr. John T. Hollbrook, was out of the city and would return to examine Ruby within a week. He said he doubted Judge Brown would take action on the defense request until all the psychiatrists had completed their examinations.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-27-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
[ ] Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 27 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# View Given On Ruby's Condition

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said Monday that Jack Ruby's mental condition "appears to have improved."

Wade said he wasn't basing the conclusion on psychiatric reports, but on other information he has received.

Wade said also that he doesn't expect Judge Joe R. Brown to rule for at least 30 days on a defense request that he schedule a sanity hearing for the condemned slayer.

The district attorney said Dr. John Holbrook, a psychiatrist who is studying Ruby's mental condition at the request of prosecutors, will be out of Dallas this week.

"He wants to observe Ruby again after he returns next week," Wade continued. "I'm sure Judge Brown will wait until he has that opportunity before deciding whether to order a hearing. I think a decision by the judge is some time off."

Wade discussed the Ruby case during the weekend at a Tulsa meeting of the Oklahoma County Attorneys Association, which voted him the "outstanding prosecutor in the nation."

Wade complimented the jury which ruled Ruby should die in the electric chair for the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the 24-year-old Marxist accused of assassinating President Kennedy here.

"It's the most intelligent I've ever tried a case before," Wade said.

The district attorney said also he would fight any attempt to change the legal test of sanity in Texas—Does the accused know right from wrong and the nature and consequences of his acts?

Under a test favored by numerous psychiatrists, Wade said, "up to 90 per cent of our murderers" would go to mental hospitals instead of prison.

"If we turn over the question of criminal responsibility to at least some of the so-called experts, we will be allowing the criminal-minded to set our land," Wade declared.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

14 "The Dallas Morning News" Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-12-64

Author: Jack B. Krueger

Character: or Classification: Submitting Office: Dallas [ ] Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 13 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Ruling on Sanity Hearing Expected

A decision is expected this week on whether condemned slayer Jack Ruby will have a sanity hearing before a jury.

Court-appointed psychiatrist Dr. Robert L. Stubblefield said Saturday the second examination requested by the court after Ruby apparently attempted to commit suicide would be held Monday or Tuesday.

Dr. Stubblefield would say only that the results contained in a report asked by Judge Joe B.

Brown will not be released until the court has studied the report.

The doctor, who was also appointed by Judge Brown as the court's representative in pre-trial brain testing of Ruby, returned to Dallas Saturday from trips to Austin and Los Angeles medical conferences.

A prosecution spokesman said that the state probably will contest a sanity hearing at this time.

"Unless the doctors, including our psychiatrist, find Ruby does not know the difference between right and wrong, we will contest the defense request for a sanity hearing," a prosecutor said.

The district attorney's office, which is represented in mental testing of Ruby by Dr. John T. Polbrook of Dallas, has taken the position that Ruby's attorneys are trying to get his transfer to a mental hospital to delay pending litigation on appeals.

However, after Dr. Louis Johnson West, of the University of Oklahoma, reported that Ruby was "technically insane," the former nightclub operator's family hired a Dallas psychiatrist to treat Ruby.

Dr. William R. Beavers, who has spent several hours with Ruby in his Dallas County jail cell, reportedly recommended hospital treatment for Ruby. His diagnosis to the Ruby family also recommended treatment with anti-depression drugs under close observation in the county jail, one source indicated.

Ruby has been kept under close observation by jail deputies since he bashed his head against a cell wall on April 19. Although he suffered a head laceration, X-ray examination showed he did not suffer serious injury.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

23 "The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-10-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
or  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 13 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Wade Defends Press Coverage Of Ruby's Trial

TULSA, Okla. (AP)—Dist. Atty. Henry Wade of Dallas says that when the rights of a free press collide with the rights of an accused individual the solution is compromise.

"A free press is as sacred as the rule of law itself," said Wade, who headed the prosecution in the murder trial of Jack Ruby, in a speech to the Tulsa County Bar Association and the Oklahoma County Attorneys Association yesterday.

Ruby was convicted of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, accused assassin of President John Kennedy, and sentenced to death.

Wade said he had no criticism of news media during the assassination, Oswald slaying and Ruby trial. Referring to criticism of news media by others he said, "Maybe a lot of the confusion was caused by the some out of town news people who just didn't understand Texas law and court procedures."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

12 "The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-6-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
 Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 13 1964  
FBI - DALLAS



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Wade Says Harvard Dean Erred

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said Wednesday that the dean of the Harvard law school "got his facts twisted" while contending that Lee Harvey Oswald could not have received a fair trial on a charge of assassinating President Kennedy.

Dean Erwin Griswold told a Boston symposium:

"The district attorney in Dallas came on TV and outlined all his evidence. How in the world could anyone have expected a fair trial after that?"

Wade said he did not make his evidence against Oswald public until after the 24-year-old Marxist had been shot by Jack Ruby.

"I was careful not to make public evidence which could have prejudiced Oswald's chance of a fair trial while he was alive," Wade continued.

"After he was killed, I thought the public had a right to know the evidence which linked him with the assassination."

Wade said he would write Dean Griswold "and let him know what really happened."

The dean spoke at a Boston symposium on newspaper, radio and television coverage of trials.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

The Dallas Morning News  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-7-64

Editor:

Author:

Editor: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 13 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Psychiatrist Raps Ruby's Conviction

BALTIMORE (AP) — The chief defense psychiatrist at the Jack Ruby trial, Dr. Manfred S. Guttmacher, says he believes the Dallas jury which convicted Ruby wanted, in part, "To make an example of a man who took the law into his own hands."

"I was very disappointed that the jury deliberated for only 60 minutes. It was not the kind of deliberation the defendant was entitled to," Dr. Guttmacher said.

Ruby was sentenced to death for killing Lee Harvey Oswald, accused assassin of President Kennedy. At the trial, Dr. Guttmacher testified Ruby was not legally sane when he shot Oswald.

Dr. Guttmacher, in a speech to the Alumni Association of the Law School at the University of Maryland, also criticized defense counsel head Melvin Belli for "always saying a fair trial was not possible in Dallas." These statements, he said, "Did not endear him to the jury."

The psychiatrist is chief medical officer of the Baltimore Supreme Bench. He said he was convinced Ruby suffered from brain damage and a specially disordered control system.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Page:

Date:

Author:

Editor:

Felix R. McKnight

Title:

Character:

Classification:

Submitting Office:

Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 13 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

### Ruby Hearings

As a spectator to the Jack Ruby hearings for a new trial, I wish to say that I was aghast at the way those hearings were conducted.

Rulings on the motions by defense lawyer Joe Tonahill were a mockery of justice. The air was so thick with prejudice you could cut it with a knife.

The hearing was only a formality, because Judge Brown had already reached a decision before taking his seat on the bench.

**ROGER COKER**

9136 Purdue, Dallas

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-1-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Felix R. McKnight

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
MAY 13 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

## Data on Ruby To Be Secret

Judge Joe B. Brown Sr. said Saturday he doesn't plan to make public psychiatric reports he receives about the mental condition of Jack Ruby.

"I don't think it would be fair to the state, the defense or myself to release such information," said the judge.

Judge Brown last week received a report about Ruby from Dr. William Beavers, a psychiatrist who examined the convicted slayer at the request of the Ruby family.

Dr. Beavers, who visited Ruby briefly Saturday, refused to comment on his findings which were reported in a letter to Judge Brown.

The Times Herald, however, learned that Dr. Beavers recommended Ruby be kept under observation and be given certain medicine.

Two other psychiatrists have examined Ruby in the past few days — Dr. John Holbrook, who is representing the state, and Dr. Robert Stubblefield, representing the court.

Saturday Ruby was reported in a depressed and uncommunicative mood although his appetite had improved.

## Belli Blasis Dallas Jury In Yale Talk

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Lawyer Melvin M. Belli continued his denunciation of Dallas Saturday, accusing the Texas metropolis of harboring a "pervasive spirit of hatred and bigotry."

Belli was chief defense counsel for Jack Ruby, who was accused of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, the man who had been arrested for the assassination of President John F. Kennedy last November.

The trial ended in a conviction and sentence of death for Ruby.

"Common law was raped by the City of Dallas," Belli said in his hour-long discussion of the Ruby trial before the Yale University Baristers Union.

"Of the 178 jurors who faced the court," he said, "172 of them were intolerant white Protestants. Unless there exists a melting pot, an interplay between tolerance and intolerance, there cannot be justice in Dallas or any other city."

The attorney created a stir in the audience of 700 persons, most of whom were law students, when he said:

"Of 23 death sentences given by Dallas juries, I know of seven cases in which the jury deliberated between four and seven minutes. There is something wrong with a community of people who can so quickly dispose of innocent life."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

"The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-3-64  
Edition:  
Author:  
Editor: Felix R. McKnight  
Title:

Character:  
Classification:  
Submitting Office: Dallas  
Indexing Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 13 1964  
FBI — DALLAS

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Doctors Say Ruby Has Lost Weight

Doctors estimate Jack Ruby has lost between 20 and 30 pounds while held in the county jail. The Dallas News was told Saturday.

Informed sources say these doctors expect a further decline in both the physical and mental condition of the condemned slayer unless jail treatments snap him out of a "state of depression."

Ruby's condition apparently results from:

-The knowledge that he has been sentenced to the electric chair.

-The realization that most Americans did not approve of his decision to kill Joe Harvey Oswald, the 24-year-old Communist accused of murdering President Kennedy and Patrolman J. D. Tippit.

-His five months in the jail where he gets little sunshine, fresh air or vigorous exercise.

Prosecutors charged during Ruby's murder trial that the striptease club manager shot Oswald while millions watched on television in the mistaken belief that he would become a national hero.

Ruby realizes now that the majority of the American people condemn the manner in which he shot a manacled man, the sources said.

Judge Joe B. Brown says he will not disclose contents of reports submitted to him by psychiatrists who examine Ruby.

But it is apparent that, while

they agree that Ruby's condition has deteriorated since his trial, they do not agree whether he is legally sane.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said last week he believes Ruby "may have deteriorated physically and mentally" while sitting in the shadow of the electric chair. Wade said, however, he is convinced the 33-year-old slayer remains legally sane.

A defense psychiatrist contended Ruby has "cracked up" and suffers from delusions that he is responsible for "the slaughter of millions of Jews."

Ruby appeared gaunt and agitated during courtroom appearances.

Sheriff Bill Decker said guards will weigh Ruby to determine his weight loss.

Asked about the estimate Ruby has lost between 20 and 30 pounds, Decker replied, "I'd say that is about right."

A nurse takes Ruby's temperature periodically and makes notations available to psychiatrists.

Dr. W. R. Beavers, a psychiatrist employed by the Ruby family, suggested Ruby receive drugs for his mental condition. Decker said, however, he would want approval of the county health officer and "all psychiatrists involved in the case" before the drugs are given.

"We couldn't have one psychiatrist prescribing one drug and another prescribing something else without any coordination,"

the sheriff said.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

The Dallas Morning News  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-3-64

Edition:

Author:

1. Title: Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....INDEXED.....  
SERIALIZED.....FILED.....  
MAY 13 1964  
FBI - DALLAS

---

**★  
RUBY GETS  
SHERIFF VOTE**

FORT WORTH, Texas (UPI)

—In the Sheriff's election in Tarrant County Saturday night, Jack Ruby received one write-in vote.

The condemned killer of accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald is in a jail cell in Dallas.

---



(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

By PAUL CRUME

**A**FTER JACK RUBY butted his head against that cell wall and either tried to commit suicide or didn't, Sheriff Bill Decker met the press.

One of the reporters was a young Eastern magazine type who had no questions to ask, no comments to make and no badinage to swap with the other reporters. After the press conference, however, he approached some Dallas newsmen.

"What gives with this Sheriff Decker?" he said. "First, he has a jail break. Then a prisoner for whom he is responsible tries to kill himself. But I never saw a calmer man."

"Well, after all," said our Joe Laird, "when you've talked to half the psychiatrists in the United States as he has, you're bound to end up well adjusted."

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

12

"The Dallas  
Morning News"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 5-1-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor:

Jack B. Krueger

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office:

Dallas

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
MAY 2 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	

# Wade Thinks Ruby Still Legally Sane

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade conceded Thursday that Jack Ruby "may have deteriorated physically and mentally" since his trial, but said he believes the condemned slayer remains legally sane.

Wade's comment came after two Dallas psychiatrists, Dr. Robert L. Stubblefield and Dr. John Holbrook, examined Ruby in his county jail cell.

Judge Joe B. Brown asked Dr. Stubblefield, who heads the Southwestern Medical School psychiatry

department, to prepare a report on Ruby's mental condition. Dr. Holbrook represented the district attorney's office.

Judge Brown said Dr. Stubblefield's findings would help him decide whether he will order a sanity hearing for Ruby.

The judge said also that he may hear testimony before he decides whether to schedule the hearing.

Normally, unless they feel lawyers are acting in bad faith, judges order sanity hearings when defense attorneys file affidavits

that a prisoner has become insane.

Wade said, however, he believes Judge Brown could reject the defense plea that he empanel a 12-member jury to determine whether Ruby has become insane since his trial.

"This is a grey area of the law without many rulings to guide us, but I think it is discretionary with the judge," the district attorney said.

Wade said Sheriff Bill Decker shares his belief that Ruby knows right from wrong and is legally sane.

A defense psychiatrist told Judge Brown Monday that Ruby has become insane and has delusions that "millions of Jews are being slaughtered" because he shot Lee Harvey Oswald after Oswald was accused of murdering President Kennedy.

Ruby appeared gaunt-faced and agitated during two courtroom appearances this week.

Asked about the slayer's appearance and actions, Wade said:

"He may have deteriorated physically and mentally since the trial. I know that I would if I were locked up in a cell and facing the electric chair. But both Sheriff Decker and I believe he is legally sane and I will definitely contest this insanity plea."

Referring to the weekend incident in which Ruby rammed his head against the wall of his cell, Wade commented, "I don't think he ran too hard."

Wade said Dr. Stubblefield and Dr. Holbrook want to observe Ruby further, perhaps for at least 10 days, before submitting their findings.

The district attorney said he knows of no plans to remove Ruby from his cell for psychiatric studies.

"We do not feel that is necessary," Wade said. "They can observe him in the jail."

If a jury ruled Ruby insane, he would go to a state hospital and spend the rest of his life there unless another jury restored his sanity. In that event, he would be put to death unless the appellate courts granted him a new trial for the Board of Pardons and Paroles changed his sentence to life imprisonment with the approval of the governor.

(Mount Clipping in Space Below)

# Psychiatrist To Examine Ruby Named

By JERRY RICHMOND  
Staff Writer

A Dallas psychiatrist was named by Judge Joe R. Brown Thursday to examine Jack Ruby after the condemned slayer was denied a new trial.

Dr. Robert L. Stubblefield, who heads the psychiatry department at the Southwestern Medical School in Dallas, will examine Ruby to assist Judge Brown in deciding if a sanity hearing before a jury should be held.

Judge Brown denied the slayer of Lee Harvey Oswald a new trial Wednesday and his defense attorneys urged the judge to set a sanity hearing at the "earliest possible time."

Judge Brown said the court must decide if there is good cause to set a sanity hearing requested by the defense to commit Ruby to a mental institution. He said he may call a show cause hearing to help him make his decision.

## VISITED IN CELL

Dr. Stubblefield, who was named by the court to represent it in the pre-trial neurological testing of Ruby, visited the 53-year-old old former nightclub operator Thursday morning. He made no comment about his visit when he returned to the judge's chambers.

Dist. Atty. Henry Wade said the state had no objection to anything the court decides.

"But we have many people (psychiatrists) we want to interview Ruby too," Mr. Wade said. "The defense has not granted us this permission before."

Hubert Winstor Smith, Ruby's chief defense lawyer, made no mention of Dr. Stubble-

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

1  
"The Dallas  
Times-Herald"  
Dallas, Texas

Date: 4-30-64

Edition:

Author:

Editor: Felix R. McKnight

Title:

Character:

or

Classification:

Submitting Office: Dallas

Being Investigated

SEARCHED.....	INDEXED.....
SERIALIZED.....	FILED.....
MAY 1 1964	
FBI - DALLAS	