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## Backs Oswald Fund As Act of Compassion

Staff Correspondent.

PLAINFIELD — A. Presby-Reformed Church.

terian minister who is determined to feture compassion for \$145, mostly in \$5 donations, has hate has established a fund to been contributed and that \$100

ter of Grant Avenue Presby-Box 1363, Plainfield, he said. terian Church! who conceived ce idea. is administering the

Lorenz Proli. pastor of Trinity

help the family of the late Lee more has been pledged by Trin-Harvey Oswald, accused as-ity Church, Contributions will be sassin of Pres. Kennedy. Flev. Bouglas Bartlett, minis- Mrs. Lee Oswald Fund. P.O.

#### Calls for Mercy

"I have agreed to administer. fund with assistance from Rev. any donation which comes to help Mrs. Oswald and her children." the 33-year-old clergy-man said. "Perhaps this will be a possibility for Plainfield to show its compassion for this widow and the two children."

He urged people "not to answer hate with hate, but show mercy to those in need. And the Oswald family is in ivery great need at this pointnot only physical need, but the need to know people are think-ing about them."

Mr. Bartlett pointed out that Orwald refused to let one of his children be baptized, but that his Russian-born wife had the crament secretly adminis-

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## Oswald a truant in Bronx

A Family Court judge in New York said yesterday that Lee Hervey Oswald had a psychiatril and truancy record in the ; Bronx.

Florence M. Kelley, presiding judge of the court, said information on the record was turned

over to the FBI for use in its Oswald and his mother came investigation into the back. to the Bronx from Fort Worth, ground of Oswald.

Tex., and the boy attended two

Judge Kelley, who was not a member of the court ten years ago when the probation report was made, declined to disclose the nature of the report. Oswald and his mother came to the Bronx from Fort Worth, Tex., and the boy attended two Bronx junior high schools. Teachers said he spent only 15 days in one school during an entire term, and he was "below pai" in his work at the other.

It was because of the trumby that he was brought before the court.

Some sources said the report, urged that Oswald, 13 years old, at the time, be committed on the grounds he had schizophrenic tendencies and was "potentially angerous."

Meanuwhile FBI agents yeslerday were tracking zooyn the source of occasional amili sums Lee Harvey Oswald apparently received.

The Dallas Times Herald said it learned Oswald received sums ranging up to \$10 or possibly \$20 at a time for several months prior to the assassination and his cera slaying

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# Russia Offers Oswald Files

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hin voluntarily turned over to death two days later.

The State Department spo Secretary of State Dean Rusk ivesterday a Soviet consular file said last night.

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contained information that is Russia. new or significant for the ex- They said the file consisted of haustive U. S. investigation un- a small sheaf of papers, perhaps der way into the Nov. 22 assas-10 or 12 papers in all. The

WASHINGTON (AP) - Soviet sination of President Kennedy. papers appeared to be copies

In Russia 3 Years nearly three years. He went to had not asked the Soviet Union on Lee Harvey Oswald, accused Moscow in October, 1959 and to supply its consular file on Osassassin of President Kennedy, announced his intention to give wald. a State Department spokesman up his American citizenship. He Dobrynin's action in bringing returned to the United States in it to Rusk at the State Depart-The State Department imme-mid-1962 after a change of ment at 2:30 p.m. yester-

U.S. officials indicated the file FBI for use in its investigation. Dobrynin turned over to Rusk There was no indication in ad-constituted the records of the Sovance of the FBI check of the viet embassy here dealing with documents as to whether they Oswald's application to go to

The State Department spokesman, press officer Richard L. Oswald lived in Russia for Phillips, said the United States

> day was presumably a friendly gesture to help U.S. authorities in their inquiry. Soviet Premier Khrushchev has condemned the assassination, which the Moscow press has hinted was instigated by right, wing extremists. 😘 🔻

> of the Contents Uncertain to the Just what might be in a consular file depends on what administative practices are followed. U.S. officials were unable to say immediately what type of data might be in what the Russians term a consular

In U.S. State Department practice, a consular file on a person includes information or person's application for entry into the United States, which is used in granting him a visa, or entry permit, and similar items

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## THE MAN NOBODY WANTED

## HATER and HOTHEAD

By M. W. NEWMAN Specient to The Star-Ledger

DALLAS—The sinister mystery of Lee Oswald has grown minute by minute since he died last Sunday, torn almost in half by a bullet.

This suspected assassin of President Kennedy was a runty, mixed-up man of baffling contradictions.

His life was so pockmarked with gloom and fury that he seemed almost fated to do something insanely disastrous to get even with the world.

His murder, in turn, by a cheap girlie show operator, Jack Ruby, was a crazy and yet Shakespearean spiticlimax.

Lee Oswald, no matter who or with the was, must have been a man with a dark underside, like the moon. And yet he was not a raving maniac or anything of the sort.

Mack Osborn of Lubbock, Tex., Oswald's old Marine buddy, recalls the pallid, skinny Oswald as a "common guy with big ideas."

"What could he ever do that would be so earth-shaking?" Osborn used to wonder.

Had "common guy" Oswald bothered to answer, he would have snapped out his reply in a quick, sharp voice. Possibly he would have shrugged and taid nothing.

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lime wolf, who anumbled all earlier this year by Paine's his life down dark alleys going nowhere.

He thought people were picking on him - as indeed they may have good reason to do. He apparently was a practied hater and Nothead, who bruised up his Russian-born whe merely because she smoked cigarets.

As some people recalled it, he seemed to live in another world. But he had his practical side. He knew guns and how to use them.

If his inner demon exploded, he could have found release in taking out his revenge on the most important man in the world. District Attorney Henry Wade of Dallas County, who is sure Oswald killed the President, has described it as simply an act of blind hate.

And yet a suburban Dallas man, who says he knew Oswald well, never thought of Oswald as a man who harbored grudges. Even more astoundingly, said Michael Paine, 35, "I believe he liked Mr. Kenmedy over other leaders."

"I had mentioned President Kennedy as a great man on occasions and he didn't take issue with me," said Paine, anengineer.

#### ON A RADIO SHOW

This surprising portrait of an Oswald with no great animus against Kennedy is perhaps borne out by the transcript of a New Orleans radio show, "Conversation Carte Blanche."

It is one of those uninhibited conversation shows, and Oswald appeared on it Aug. 21 as spokesman for the Fair Play. . for Cuba Committee. During the course of the show, he described himself as a Marxist but Box a Communist.

Oswald's Russian-born wife, This dank-looking young man. Oswald's Russian-born wife, as a rebellious and yet quiet Marina, had been betriended wife, Ruth, and given rent-free accommodations, in suburban Irving.

> Oswald meanwhile was living in an \$8-a-week room here under an alias and saw his wife only on weekends -except for one significant occasion he stayed with her on the night before the President's assassination Friday. Mrs. Paine said he lived alone during the week because there wasn't room for him in her house.

#### FELT SORRY FOR HIM 🤔

Nobody ever seemed to want, Lee Oswald.

His blond wife, whom he wed in Russia, was quoted as saying everybody hated him there and she married him because "she felt sorry for him." She left him at least once, according to a Dallas friend.

Oswald had little luck in finding or holding a steady job after he and Marina returned to this country in early 1962 with a baby daughter, June Lee.

He worked for a while for a Dallas printing firm but had a reputation as Communistminded. He apparently was broke. His gray-haired mother, Mrs. Marguerite Oswald of Fort-Worth, described him as persecuted.

#### MOTHER WEEPS '

. "I don't know what my son was doing in Russia." the weeping woman said after his arrest last Friday. Nobody ever gave him a chance to prove his innocence. When they said he had gone to Russia that was all they wanted to know."

Oswald decamped for Russia in the fall of 1959, shortly after being discharged by the Marine Corps. He was 20 at the time and full of left-wing jargon apparently picked up from his reading, and strange, naive

\_Se pictured himself then and later as a Marxist. But the Russians, possibly wary of this ex-Marine, refused to give him citizenship, although he asked for it.

The American Communist Party also denies he was a member. He has been accused of being in correspondence with the party about his work for the pro-Castro Fair Play for Guba Committee. But the Fair Play group also has disavowed his claim to being secretary of the New Orleans branch.

He told Dallas police he was a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, but that organization denied it, too. Lee Oswald was a man that nobody wanted - and certainly not after he was portrayed to the world as the worst assassin of mid-century.

It was shortly before Oswald's appearance on the New Orleans radio show that he was in contact with anti-Castro Cubans there. They said he offered himelf as an ex-Marine to their

Cabans for an invasion. Tiley were suspicious - and said no.

Was Oswald trying to infiltrate their ranks for Castro? Or was he on sale to the highest bidder, a sulking figure on the make, operating in the shadow world of American commumism? \_

It was while Oswald was in Russia that he also wrote to the former secretary of the Navy, John Connally. His purpose was to protest the undesirable discharge put on his record after the Marines learned he had gone to Russia. By then he was picturing himself as just a romantic expatriate and not: a turncoat at all.

"I shall employ all means to right this gross mistake of injustice to a bona fide U.S. citizen and ex-serviceman, the wrote Connally indignantly.3

But the edict was not reversed. Did Oswald then begin building up a nutty grudge against Connally? It was Connally, now governor of Text who was riding with President Kennedy last Friday when both

if Oswald was after Connainy, he we to be the first target.

Oswald came back to the United States from Russia a stained and dishonored man. Repartedly, the State Department haned him \$435 to get back. Why he left the Soviet Union is not clear. Reportedly, he was trying to go back. With his persecution complex going full blast, he was highly vulnerable — an obvious fact that had led to all kinds of theorizing about what he may have been or become.

Whatever Oswald was — doctrinaire Communist, free-lance radical, sinister floater on someone's payroll, decoy and patsy, or Junatic loner—one thing seems sure. He had a hatred of authority. A man like that conceivably could be crazy enough to murder a President on his own — and, just as likely, be ordered or hired to carry out such an insane assignment.

BARE FACTS

The routine facts of Oswald's life are bare-boned enough. He was born in New Orleans Oct. 18, 1939. He went to school in Fort Worth, about 30 miles from here. His father died be-

from here. His father died before he was born, and so Lee Oswald never knew a father except for the ages of six to nine, during the period of his mothet's second marriage. It ended in divorce.

Mrs. Oswald worked in factories and shops to support her three sons.

But Oswald's feeling for his mother, like everything else about him, seemed to be two-sided. To hear him tell it, he had prepared himself for years to go to Russia by reading Marxist works he had stumbled upon at the age of 15. But when he took off for Russia in 1859, he didn't tell his mother — or bother to say good-by "she wouldn't understand."

Ironically he had obtained his release from the Marin by pleading hardship and his mother needed his support

He wouldn't even talk to her when she put through a telephone call to him in Moscow. She pleaded "Lee...Lee," and he hung up.

And when he was shuttling around the Southwest after his return from Russia, he stayed away from his aging mother in her Fort Worth home.

"I haven't seen him for a year," she sobbed after his arrest. "It's because he doesn't want them to persecute me."

But others may Lee Oswald hated his mother.

COURT-MARTIALED TWICE

His attitude toward authority may have been as confused as his feelings about his family. During most of his three-year, hitch as a Marine, he apparently kept to himself. Nonetheless, he managed to get court-martialed twice — once for carrying an unregistered pistol and once for talking back to a superior.

Apparently, all authority bugged him. He didn't like: school. He didn't get along with his family. Russia, he thought, would be the answer to everything. He reportedly had a factory job there which he also left — for reasons not known. The State of Texas says that this fatherless young rebel finally fired a rifle at two supreme symbols of authority — a President and a governor.

If he did do it, and a pile-up of evidence says he did, Lee Os-wald must have been totally unrealistic. He worked in the building from which the fatal shots were fired, and would have been a natural suspect because of his background. He would have had little hope of escaping from the great manhunt sure to be staged.

Police say he carelessly left telltale evidence in his room, such as a map showing various points along the motorcade route from which a bullet might be fired.

He went to work that morning carrying a bulky package believed to he the death rifle. The evidence says he not only killed Kennedy and wounded Connally, a but also killed a policeman who stopped him on the street after the shooting.

In the end he fell victim to an assassin's bullet himself. If Jack Ruby and Oswald are ever tied together by evidence, the world may learn a great deal more about Lee Oswald.



Lee Oswald's wife, Marina, holds baby as she walk with daughter and his mother, Marguerite

Who was Lee Oswald?
In the terrible and tragic days since a modman assassinated President Kennedy in the streets—of Dallas, ace crime reporter M. W. Newman has been painstakingly reconstructing the strange life of the dank and sallow-foced man accused of the horrendous crime.

/ Here is his in-depth report.



# Reds blame FBI in Oswald death

MOSCOW (AP)—Izvestia suggested yesterday the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation was implicated in the shooting of President Kennedy's assassin, Lee Harvey Oswald.

The government newspaper published a front page report on Mrs. Margaret Oswald's charge Sunday that FBI agents showed her a photograph of her son's killer, Jack Ruby, 17 hours before the Dallas night club operator gunned Oswald down in Dallas police headquarters.

"The statement of Mrs. Oswald shows that the FBI not only knew about the violence that was in preparation... but also who intended to commit it," the Izvestia report from its New York correspondent said, a"One of the two—we are dealing here either with criminal negligence on the part of the FBI or with its participation in the attempt to cover the traces of the killer or killers," the report continued.

The report said Mrs. Oswald's statement lent weight to the supposition that Ruby and Oswald were accomplices in the slaying of the President.

The Izvestia correspondent said Oswald was heading in the direction of Ruby's house after the President's assassination. A Dallas policeman who stopped him on the street was shot down and Oswald went instead to a local movie house.

"In the light of this, the supposition of the possible connection between Ruby and Oswald and the presence of a plot to kill the President becomes more convincing," be added.

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Synopsis:

NELSON DELGADO advised 12/13/63, that ONIALD excellent in Spanish. DELGADO did report his knowledge that ONIALD was receiving Russian newspapers to superior. Unable to recall names of two Negro Marines who went to Tijuana with them, but one might have been called WATTS. Both Negroes worked with Motor Pool at Santa Ana, Cal., Base. Persons who could corroborate DELGADO's statement set out.

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S/F 4 NELSON DELGADO, Battery D, 4th Missle Battalion, 71st Artillery, Holmdel Site, Holmdel, New Jersey, advised that he recalled some additional facts.

DELGADO stated he was assigned to Quonset Hut Number 34 from the time he arrived at the Marine Base at Santa Ana, California, until he requested transfer to another hut in June, 1959.

DELGADO recalled he became friendly with OSWALD in December, 1958, when both were assigned to the same radar section and the same shift. At that time, DELGADO declared, he was very young, having only recently left school, and was somewhat of a "loner," as OSWALD was, with the result they became friendly. DELGADO stated he felt a little out of place because of his Puerto Rican background but found that OSWALD and he got along very well.

DELGADO advised that in January, 1959, OSWALD had been having some trouble in the Quonset Hut to which he had originally been assigned and had asked for a transfer. DELGADO was not sure but he thought it was because of his, DELGADO's, friendship that OSWALD was assigned to Hut Number 34. However the hut cid have three empty bunks at the time.

According to DELGADO, there were a total of six Marines in the hut during the time that he spent in it, one of whom was a Private First Class (PFC) WALD. In January, 1560, WALD was transferred to Atsuki, Japan, with the First Marine Air Control Squadron. However, WALD did not get along with OSWALD, but he would know of the OSWALD and DELGADO friendship.

OSWALD attempted to teach DELGADO certain phrases of Russian, which language OSWALD spoke fluently, but the best DELGADO could do was learn "Da" and "Nyet." DELGADO stated he never heard OSWALD called "Oswaldovitch," but he was called by many of the Marines on the base "Comrade" and he heard RICHARD CALL refer to him as "Commissar." It was DELGADO's opinion that these names were said in a joking manner because apparently most of the Marines knew of OSWALD's interest in Socialism.

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DELGADO said there were two Negro Marines in Hut Number 34 who were assigned to other duties who should know of his friendship with OSWALD, but he could not recall their names. He recalled one other Marine was also assigned to the Hut for a short period, but he did not know his name and did not believe he would have known OSWALD.

It was DELGADO's opinion that Sergeant V. FUNE would not know OSWALD well because he was only assigned to the base about four to six weeks prior to OSWALD leaving the area. FUNK was transferred to the Santa Ana Marine Base from Japan and most of the troops under him did not have much respect for him. He had a high pitched voice and did not know how to dress like a good Marine or operate a platoon well. Sergeant FUNK caught OSWALD "fooling around" in ranks on one occasion and reported him. OSWALD was made to walk around the field with full field pack and Sergeant FUNK put him through a Close Order Drill. Thereafter, OSWALD had nothing good to say about: FUNK and at one time seriously thought of reporting the incident to the Inspector General, but he did not do so.

Colonel JAMES BOTTEHO was assigned to the Santa Ana Marine Base at approximately the same time that DELGADO was, but was not in the same hut with OSWALD. He did work on the same shift with OSWALD and DELGADO. BOTTEHO did not associate with OSWALD and had little to do with him. DELGADO did recall on one occasion BOTTEHO had a "big" argument with OSWALD over Socialism and OSWALD left in disgust.

PFC RUSJELL and BOTTEHO were concerned, they did not have much in common with OSWALD because they were interested in sports and girls and these things hardly interested OSWALD.

A Sergeant CALL was assigned to the same platoon but was not assigned in the same Cuonset area as the subject. However, CALL and OSWALD did get along and on one occasion OSWALD discussed his book "Das Capital" with CALL. Further, CALL and OSWALD had in common the fact they both enjoyed classical music.

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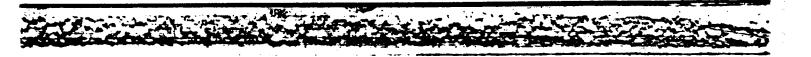
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# U.S. Reds give Oswald file to FBI

By EDWARD W. O'BRIEN

WASHINGTON—Communist Party headquarters in New York has turned over to the FBI its file of correspondence with the accused Presidential assassin, Lee H. Oswald, this bureau has learned.

The letters, written after Oswald's return

from Russia are presumably included in the FBI's summary report now in the hands of the investigating commission headed by Chief Justice Warren.

The party's voluntary gesture in seeking to give the appearance of cooperation with a United States government a ge n cy broke all of its own precedents. However, the party was following the example set by the Soviet embassy here in handing over to the State Department documents purporting to be the consular file on Oswald.

Both actions were viewed by experts here as additional efforts to divert public attention

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Within hours of President Kennedy's assassination, the Communist party in the United States launched a campaign to blame the "ultraright." A similar theme has been taken up, with much success, by Communist propagandists around the world.

The FBI declined comment on disclosure by others that it had received the Communist Party file on Oswald. The other informants said the file like the embassy's consular file, offered no additional information of any importance on Oswald's background or motivation.

President Kennedy's assassination caused an abrupt reversal by the Communist party.

Previously, the U.S. party general secretary, Gus Hall, had stated the Communists would not support Kennedy in 1964 because of his Cuba policy. But after his death, the East Coast Red newspaper "The Worker" published a special issue lauding Kennedy for the "lofty democratic visions which he articulated at various times."

The newspaper went on to promote an attack on the "ultra-right." It attributed the President's death to "a criminal cabal of white citizen councilmen, Birch Society plotters, the National States Rights Party chieftains, American Nazi Party moguls, the National Renaissance Party, the Minute Men Bandits, and other para-military Fascist-racist groups."

Communist district leaders quickly took their cue and pushed the same line. The New Jersey party chairman said Americans realize the assasination was a poorly-executed right-wing plot. party chairman said Americans realize the assasination is "weapon of either fascists, demented persons, or provocateurs." Minnesota Communists were instructed to blame the ultra-right movement when discussing the assassination.

In San Francisco, Mickey Lima, party chairman for northern California, said on a television program he was angered by the thought that Dixiecrats think they can murder the President. He said the source of bombings and other violence in the South is well known and attributed the murder of the President to the same elements.

Besides corresponding with Communist party headquarters, Oswald was involved in the pro-Castro Fair Play for Cuba Committee and corresponded with the Socialist Workers Party, a Trotskylte group.



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Post Office Box 1158 Mewark, New Jerse January 15, 1964 07101 Mr. Patrick F. Quinn Postal Inspector United States Post Office Nevark, New Jersey Dear Mr. Quinn; This is in response to your letter dated January 1964, concerning the solicitiation of funds for Mrs. Lee Oswald by Reverend Douglas E. Bartlett. an agency continues of Your interest in forwarding this information Very truly yours, R. W. Bachman, Special Agent in

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## Mom didn't see Oswald or year before shootii

WASHINGTON (UPI) - The mother of Lee Harvey Oswald defended her dead son before a presidential commission yesterday but said she had no contact with him for a year before President John F. Kennedy was assassinated.

Chief Justice Earl Warren said Mrs. Marguerite Oswald's six-hour testimony, however, contained "nothing that would change the picture as I see it." Oswald, shot to death in a Dailas jail Nov. 24, is the only suspect in the fatal shooting of the President, Nov. 22.

Mrs. Oswald started to talk with newsmen after her testimony, but her appointed attorconvinced her she should nothing until she has finished talking to the seven-man Warren said she was questioncommission investigating For et Culy to identify lotters Osnedy's death.

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who left for the Soviet Union case in defense of her son. three days after he was discharged from the Marine Corps. Oswald was discharged in order that he might care for his mother.

Warren said Mrs. Oswald has not told the commission she believes her son was innocent. But she has said repeatedly she is not convinced he was the killer. Warren said no inference should be drawn from her failere to make that point yester-

"We hardly asked her any questions throughout the day," the chief justice said. "She's telling her story in her own way from beginning to end.

"We've heard the beginning of it, but we haven't heard the end," he said.

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### Double Agent?

#### Warren Commission Still Not Sure Of Suspect's Role

By ROBERT 8. ALLEN and PAUL SCOTT

The most "sensitive" question confronting the special commission investigating the assessination of President John P. Kennedy is whether Lee Harvey Oswald was a double agent when he allegedly committed this murder.

On this sensationally significant enigma, the probers have directly conflicting testimony.

Both U. S. and Russian authorities have fiatly denied the suspected killer was in their employ. At the same time, the commission has indispitable information from intelligence and security agencies of the two countries that they were "in contact" with Oswald on various occasions in the four years prior to the Kennedy slaying.

Following are highlights of unpublished evidence in the hands of the special investigators:

The Oswald file the Soviet turned over to the State Department reveals that Russian intelligence and security agents contacted Oswald a number of times between 1959 and 1962—when he was living in the Soviet as an avowed "defector."

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover on an "affidavit" discloses that his agents made "three contacts" with Oswald after he returned to the U.S. All of them, Hoover explains, were wholly investigative. At no time was Cowald in the FBI's employ, nor was money given him.

Former Central Intelligence Director Allen Dulles, a member of the commission, has told the other six members that he has no knowledge of Oswald's acting as a CIA agent. John McCone, present head of CIA, has said the same thing.

State Department seconds show that Oswald had several meetings with the CIA representative in the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. During this period, the alleged assassin was seeking to renounce his

citizenship. One State Department cable, No. 234, dated Nov. 2, 1959, reports that Oswald was interviewed by the CIA and other embassy officials.

Mrs. Mariana Oswald, 23year-old widow of the suspected killer, told the commission that Soviet security agents contacted her husband a number of times while they were living in Russia. Under questioning, she emphat ically denied that she or Oswald had been KGB (secret police) agents or were "associated" with that organization. Mrs. Oswald confirmed that her uncle is a Soviet "military colonel" and that she and Oswald resided near him in Minsk.

One of the curious backstage aspects of the investigation is former CIA Director. Dulles' acute sensitiveness about information relating to that agency.

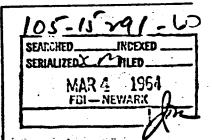
At Dulles' vigorous insistence; certain questions and answers about Oswald's possible training as a secret agent while in Russia were put off the necord; that is, they were not transcribed and are not recorded in the testimony.

Throughout the inquiry, Dulles has displayed a militant protectiveness regarding the

Other mysteries being explored by the commission:

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Where Oswald obtained an apparently steady flow of money, amounting to several hundred dollars, during his frequent periods of unem-

ployment.

How Oswald was able to obtain a passport in New Orleans to go to Russia despite the fact that the State Department had a file detailing his "defection" in Moscow and four years residence in the Soviet.

This passport, Do92526, was issued on June 25, 1963. In his application Oswald stated he proposed traveling from three to 12 months as a tourist to England, France, Germany, Holland, Finland, Italy, Poland, and Russia.

Oswald's original passport, dated Sept. 10, 1959, was numbered 1733242.

His second passport was given him the day after he asked for it and without the required "name check" for individuals known to be Communist or to have Communist associations. So far, the commission has no explanation for this official dereliction. Authorities of the Passport Division are to be questioned about that.

A senator has given the investigators the name of a Texas attorner—wite claims to have information about Cowald's being a double agent. The lawyer reputedly learned this from a client who has been operating in Communist circles for a number of years.

Yuri Nossenko, the important Soviet security official who recently defected to the U. S., may be questioned by the commission. In his position as a key member of the American section of KGB, Nossenko would have had access to files on Oswald. Whether he did is not certain. Staff members of the commission are slated to confer with him to determine whether he testifies before the commission.

Lately, the commission's closed-door sessions have been sparsely attended.

Only one of the seven members was present during the interrogation of Oswald's brother. This member was former CIA Director Dulles, who balked at any testimony that might reflect on the intelligence agency.

Despite this country's ban against trade with Communist East Germany, the teletype at the U.S. end of the Moscow-to-Washington hot line came from that satellite. Installed in the Pentagon's communications center, the teletype's number is "T 51-A RFT Blattschreiber" and a stamped plate states it was made in Karl Marxstadt, East Germany. Defense officials say the machine was installed at the Soviet's request.

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