

MRS. OSWALD GETS OFFER BY ADVISER

He Will Release Her From Pact for Share of Funds

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DALLAS, Feb. 26—Mrs. Lee H. Oswald's former business adviser offered to release her from a 10-year contract today in return for a share of the \$150,000 in cash advances that he said had already been guaranteed to her.

James H. Martin said he was claiming no share of the money that the American people had contributed to Mrs. Oswald after her husband was charged with killing President Kennedy and was later shot to death.

"Exercising my irrevocable power of attorney, however, I have signed valid contracts that have already brought her large cash advances," he said. "The Tex-Italia Film Company, for example, is ready to pay her \$75,000 within the next 10 days if her legal situation can be straightened out."

Mr. Martin will appear tomorrow before the Warren Commission investigating the Kennedy assassination, in Washington.

The commission's counsel has asked him to bring all contracts and papers, plus any material that he had compiled about Marina Oswald's life.

Under the agreement that Mrs. Oswald is now attempting to terminate, Mr. Martin was guaranteed 15 per cent of her future income.

He said Mrs. Oswald's brother-in-law, Robert Oswald, was guaranteed 10 per cent "for doing nothing more than being

her nearest relative." A lawyer, John L. Thorne, was also to receive 10 per cent.

"The contracts we'd signed would bring her \$300,000 eventually," Mr. Martin said. "The Tex-Italia contract would pay her \$1,500, plus expenses, for each personal appearance—when they open a film in Kansas City and wanted here there."

"I'm willing to forgo my share on the future payments," he continued, "but I've gone through a lot of misery with this, and I think I'm entitled to my share of the advances."

He said he had also signed contracts in Mrs. Oswald's name with This Week and Life magazines and Stern, a German publication.

Mr. Martin, who met Mrs. Oswald when she was brought by the Secret Service to the motel he was managing, strongly criticized William A. McKenzie, the lawyer with whom Mrs. Oswald has replaced Mr. Thorne.

Mr. Martin suggested that Robert Oswald and Mr. McKenzie had promised Mrs. Oswald an unreasonable sum of money under a new contract.

Plot on Nixon's Life Reported

HOUSTON, Feb. 26 (UPI) — Lee H. Oswald plotted to kill former Vice President Richard M. Nixon, The Houston Post said tonight it had learned from an associate of Oswald's widow.

The Post quoted James H. Martin of Dallas, who was Mrs. Marina Oswald's business representative until a few days ago. The article said the plot against Mr. Nixon was outlined to the Warren Commission.

Mr. Nixon was in Dallas the day Mr. Kennedy was killed.

The Post said Mr. Martin would not tell how he had learned of Oswald's alleged intent to kill Mr. Nixon.

"It's a part of the testimony," he said. "I can't comment on it."