

## Lane Denies Oswald Guilt Before Warren Commission

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Mark Lane testified before the Warren Commission for over three hours at that body's first public hearing on March 4. The testimony was given publicly at Lane's request.

The only part of his testimony he declined to give publicly was the identity of the third person who allegedly met with J. D. Tippitt, the Dallas patrolman killed the day of the Kennedy's assassination, and Bernard Weissman, the right-winger who placed an anti-Kennedy advertisement in a Dallas paper for the same day.

This meeting took place at Jack Ruby's Carousel Club on Nov. 14 according to Lane. He said that the three persons spent more than two hours conferring, but that he didn't know what they talked about. Bernard Weissman denied being at any such meeting.

Justice Warren denied Lane's request to serve as Oswald's attorney before the commission, with the right to cross-examine witnesses and to have access to commission documents.

Lane said that he had proved that the photographs of Lee Harvey Oswald recently printed on the cover of Life magazine and in many newspapers had been doctored.

Three different versions of the photograph of Oswald holding a rifle in one hand and one or two newspapers in the other have been published so far. According to Lane, a different rifle is held by Oswald in each of the three versions. Moreover, Lane says it is impossible to identify the newspaper in the photos.

Much of the rest of Lane's tes-



Mrs. Marguerite Oswald

timony was a presentation of evidence to show that the shot that killed Kennedy came from a grassy knoll rather than from the building in which Oswald worked. He cited testimony by eyewitnesses to this effect.

Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, who hoped to find some clue as to the innocence of her son at the trial of Jack Ruby, was barred from the courtroom. The device used by the prosecution to do this was to subpoena her as a witness. A subpoenaed witness is not permitted to sit in the courtroom and hear the testimony of other witnesses or to discuss the case with the press.

It is not expected, however, that the prosecution will call her to the stand.