

\$70,000 Oswald Fund Accounted for in Court

DALLAS (AP) — An accounting of more than \$70,000 contributed to Mrs. Marina Oswald, the widow of accused Presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, has been filed with a Dallas district court.

Oswald was shot to death two days after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

The papers filed showed that \$5,490 of the total had been spent, either by Mrs. Oswald or in her behalf by James H. Martin, her personal manager, or John M. Thorne, her lawyer-agent from the Dallas suburb of Grand Prairie.

Sued for Accounting

Mrs. Oswald asked for the accounting in a suit filed April 7 against the men. She charged she had been refused knowledge of the status of her money and that she did not understand the contracts she signed with the men early last December. She asks in the suit that

the contracts be voided and that all money be turned over to her, with \$15,000 to the men as settlement.

Attorneys said the court action was another step toward a peaceful settlement out of court.

The accounting showed \$40,305 in bank accounts in Dallas, over which Thorne and Martin have complete control; a \$25,000 trust fund, with the men named as co-trustees, in an arrangement to prevent Mrs. Oswald or her two small children from getting the money until the children are 25 years old; and the \$5,490 already spent.

Of that amount, Mrs. Oswald spent \$2,076 on clothes, books, a washing machine, including \$200 for postage to mail thank-you notes to persons over the country who had contributed. She also financed a trip to Washington for her husband's brother, the papers said.

Another \$1,822 was spent by Mrs. Oswald, Thorne and Martin for expenses on trips to Washington and New York City.

The remainder, \$1,601, was listed as a "draw" account used by Martin to pay living expenses during the two months Mrs. Oswald resided in his home.