

# Warren Talks 3 Hours With Ruby in Jail

**DALLAS (AP)—**Chief Justice Earl Warren spent more than three hours Sunday with condemned slayer Jack Ruby in Dallas County Jail.

Warren went to the jail after spending two hours earlier in the day at the Texas School Book Depository, from where the bullets are believed to have been fired that killed President John F. Kennedy Nov. 22. The jail is across the street from the book building.

The chief justice heads the Warren Commission, appointed by President Johnson to investigate the assassination.

J. Lee Rankin, commission chief counsel, said on leaving the jail that "we took the testimony of Jack Ruby."

## Details Withheld

Although no details of Ruby's testimony were disclosed, it was learned that the commission asked Ruby the following questions:

Did he know Lee Harvey Oswald, alleged Presidential assassin whom Ruby was convicted of murdering?

What was the nature of his (Ruby's) trip to Cuba in the late 1950s? Was there any element of conspiracy connected with his shooting of Oswald Nov. 24?

Reliable sources said Ruby told the commission members he did not know Oswald and there was no conspiracy involved.

It is believed that Warren's visit with Ruby was unprecedented in that no chief justice ever before has

visited a jail to take testimony from a prisoner.

Warren, Rankin and commission lawyers went to the home of Robert Storey after leaving the jail. Storey, former dean of the Southern Methodist University Law School, is one of two Texas representatives on the commission.

Defense lawyer Joe Tonahill and Asst. Dist. Atty. A. D. Jim Bowie were present at the meeting in the jail, as was Sheriff Bill Decker and commission counsel.

Tonahill said Ruby "responded to the questions."

However, the lawyer said Ruby didn't answer intelligently. He said he was "wild-eyed."

"I wasn't at all pleased with how Jack performed," Tonahill said.

Ruby was given the death sentence for his slaying of Oswald.

After the conference at the home of Storey, the party went by car for brief visits to the rooming house in the Oak Cliff section where Oswald lived; the spot on 10th St. where Oswald was accused of shooting to death Policeman J. D. Tippit; the Texas Theater, where Oswald was captured; and to Ruby's apartment.