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Mrs. MARY E. BLEDSOE, 621 N. Marsalis, Dallas, was interviewed relative to any knowledge she had concerning LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and concerning this association she advised as follows.

LEE OSWALD had rented a room at her residence at 621 N. Marsalis, Dallas, on October 7 through October 14, 1963. During the course of his stay at her residence, she advised that she described him as a quiet roomer, very neat in appearance, stating he seldom left his room. On two occasions he alleged that he was attempting to obtain work at Texas Instruments and Collins Radio in Dallas and over the weekend of October 12-13, 1963, he was gone from the residence, allegedly spending the weekend with his wife in Irving. While at that residence she had heard OSWALD speaking over the telephone in a foreign language and had stated she had indicated a displeasure with him at remaining at her residence and on October 14, 1963, he returned from the weekend allegedly with his wife in Irving, Texas, collected his belongings and left.

Subsequently on the morning of November 22, 1963, she was in downtown Dallas and had occasion to view the motorcade in which President KENNEDY was riding at a vantage point on the street opposite from Titcher's Department Store on Elm Street. After the motorcade went by her position she walked over to St. Paul and Elm Street across from the Dallas Athletic Club where she got on a bus, as she recalls, a Marsalis bus. She paid her fare and sat down in a seat directly opposite the driver facing the aisle and the bus proceeded down Elm Street. As she recalled, when the bus stopped on Murphy Street she saw LEE OSWALD get on the bus, pay his fare, and immediately walk to the rear of the bus where he sat down. She stated at this time the bus was not crowded and there were very few people on the bus. At that time she stated OSWALD appeared to be somewhat nervous and she noticed that he was wearing dirty clothes stating she felt this was strange inasmuch as when he resided with her he had been very neat in his personal appearance. After he got on the bus, traffic going west on Elm Street became extremely heavy and the bus made short, jerky moves in the congested traffic, and while stopped a passing motorist told the bus driver that the President had been shot.

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She stated that at that point people in the bus began talking about the President being shot and shortly thereafter LEE OSWALD got up from the rear seat where he had been sitting and came to the front of the bus, passing in front of her, and got off the front entrance at the next stop, she thought, and disappeared in the crowd.

Mrs. BLEDSOE advised as best she recalled, OSWALD was dressed as follows: wearing ragged gray work pants, wearing a brown shirt with holes in ^{the} elbows. She advised after OSWALD disappeared in the crowd this was the last she saw of him and she stated definitely that the bus at the point at which OSWALD had alighted had not reached Lamar Street.

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