

## Dallas Jurors Call Ruby Sane

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—The Jack Ruby murder case, plagued by legal complications and wrangles among defense lawyers, appears finally to be on its way to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

Ruby's conviction and death sentence for the Nov. 24, 1963, killing of Lee Harvey Oswald has not yet technically progressed beyond the trial court level. Oswald was named by the Warren Commission as the assassin of President John F. Kennedy. Kennedy was shot Nov. 22, 1963.

But one major obstacle to the movement of Ruby's trial was removed Monday when a Dallas District Court jury ruled that the 55-year-old former strip joint operator was legally sane.

Ruby was convicted of murder March 14, 1964, in the same court—Criminal District Court No. 3—that adjudged him sane.

The defense, claiming that Ruby was insane, had requested a sanity hearing a month after the conviction. It was repeatedly delayed for various reasons.

It took a seven-man five-woman jury only 10 minutes Monday to rule that Ruby was sane.



JACK RUBY, convicted slayer of presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, is escorted from Dallas, Texas County Jail by Sheriff Bill Decker, left, enroute to the court house for a sanity hearing on Monday. At right is Deputy Sheriff Ralph Weaver. Ruby, 55, is under death sentence for the Oswald slaying and the hearing is being held to decide whether he was sane or insane at the time of the killing. (AP Wirephoto)