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Mrs. GERTRUDE (J. T.) HUNTER was interviewed at her residence, 141 S. Hastings, at which time she furnished the following information:

Mrs. HUNTER stated she visited in the Furniture Mart, a furniture store previously located on E. Irving Boulevard, Irving, Texas, frequently during the latter months of 1963. She explained the Furniture Mart was operated by Mrs. EDITH WHITWORTH and she, HUNTER, would go to the furniture store on Wednesday and/or Thursday afternoon of each week to make plans with Mrs. WHITWORTH for attending the Irving High School football games that were held on Friday evenings. She said she always arrived at the Furniture Mart between 1:00 and 2:00 p.m. and would leave between 4:00 and 4:15 p.m.

Mrs. HUNTER recalled that on one of her visits which she feels sure was November 6, 7, 13, or 14, 1963, she was at the Furniture Mart visiting with Mrs. WHITWORTH when a young man who Mrs. HUNTER later learned was LEE HARVEY OSWALD came into the store and asked if the gunsmith was in explaining that he, OSWALD, wanted something fixed on his gun, but Mrs. HUNTER does not recall the nature of the work he wanted performed. Mrs. HUNTER said she does not recall that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had a gun in his hands at the time he was in the store. She recalled Mrs. WHITWORTH referred OSWALD to an unrecalled gun shop which had a gunsmith and she only recalls the place to which OSWALD was referred is located east of the Furniture Mart in Irving, Texas. She recalls the place to which OSWALD was referred is to the east as OSWALD started to turn east on to Irving Boulevard when he left, noting that Irving Boulevard is a one-way street west. She said that she, HUNTER, told OSWALD it would be necessary for him to proceed west on Irving Boulevard to the traffic light, turn left one block, and then back east to the gun shop to which he had been referred.

Mrs. HUNTER recalled that during the conversation with OSWALD, who was accompanied by his wife and two small girls, Mrs. EDITH WHITWORTH had jokingly referred to trading a little boy for one of the OSWALDS' little girls so each family would have a boy and a girl. She stated that in referring to the little boys Mrs. WHITWORTH was making reference to her grandsons.

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Mrs. HUNTER stated that on the occasion of the visit to the Furniture Mart LEE HARVEY OSWALD, his wife, and two children were the only persons in the car driven by OSWALD and she recalls the car as being a 1957 or 1958 Ford, two-tone blue and cream. She said she is confident that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was driving the car as there was no one else in the car with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, MARINA OSWALD, and their small daughters.

Mrs. HUNTER said she is confident the car was a blue and cream 1957 or 1958 Ford as she has friends in Houston, Texas, who own a blue and white 1958 Ford and her brother-in-law has a 1957 Ford, therefore, when the OSWALDs parked in front of the furniture store, she observed the car and immediately thought of her friends in Houston, Texas.

Mrs. HUNTER said she is definite that the man and woman with small children who visited the Furniture Mart on the above referred to occasion were LEE HARVEY OSWALD and MARINA OSWALD with their children. She said when she, HUNTER, first saw pictures of the OSWALDs on television and in the newspapers, she was sure she had seen them but could not immediately place the occasion that she had seen those persons. She said that a few days later she again visited the Furniture Mart and at that time she recalled the couple who had visited the store and realized they were LEE HARVEY and MARINA OSWALD. She said she then mentioned this to EDITH WHITWORTH and Mrs. WHITWORTH told her that she, WHITWORTH, had previously realized the couple who visited the store were the OSWALDs but had not mentioned this fact to Mrs. HUNTER.

Mrs. HUNTER stated that on the occasion of visiting the Furniture Mart, MARINA OSWALD was not neatly dressed, wearing a jacket of unrecalled description but believed to be either orchid or purple in color. She stated she recalls LEE HARVEY OSWALD was neatly dressed, wearing unrecalled casual clothing and a jacket of unrecalled description.

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