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WILLIAM B. ABADIE, who is employed at Scott Instrument Company, 3734 West Slauson, Los Angeles, California, was interviewed at his residence, 4820 West Slauson, Los Angeles. At the inception of the interview ABADIE advised that he had jumped bond in the amount of $300. at Dallas, Texas; that this bond had been to cover his release on a charge of DWI (Driving While Intoxicated). He advised that he knew the Dallas Police Department would be looking for him and wanted to know if he was going to be arrested by the Agents. The Agents immediately informed him that they wanted to interview him concerning his knowledge and associations with JACK LEON RUBY, of Dallas, Texas. He was further advised that this Office had no warrant for him and no interest at this time in the local violation at Dallas. He was advised that anything that he said would be voluntary, that he did not have to be interviewed by the Agents or furnish any information to them, that if he did it could be used as evidence in a court of law, but that the subject of the interview was entirely concerning his associations with JACK RUBY. Mr. ABADIE then advised that he hardly knew RUBY and was entirely willing to discuss anything concerning RUBY with the Agents.

ABADIE first became acquainted by observation with the man known as JACK LEON RUBY, whom, according to newspaper accounts read by ABADIE, shot and killed LEE HARVEY OSWALD, the alleged assassin of President JOHN F. KENNEDY. ABADIE had never known RUBY prior to the early part of March, 1963, at which time, after having been on an extended alcoholic binge, ABADIE was hired by RUBY's Shop Foreman as a slot machine and juke box mechanic. This employment continued for a period of about seven weeks, ABADIE leaving at the end of this time to try and locate his estranged wife.

ABADIE stated he had never even spoken to RUBY or been spoken to by him. He advised that he did see RUBY in the warehouse shop where he, ABADIE, was performing his mechanics duties, but that he at no time had any discussions with him socially or because of his employment. For the most part his work was at the aforementioned warehouse. However, on one occasion for a few days he "wrote tickets" as a bookie in one of RUBY's establishments. *

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