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NEW ORLEANS (UPI)--DIST. ATTY. JIM GARRISON'S STAR WITNESS TESTIFIED WEDNESDAY THAT WHEN HE SAW LEE HARVEY OSWALD ON TELEVISION AFTER PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS KILLED HE WAS NOT SURE THE ASSASSIN WAS A MAN HE KNEW AS "LEON OSWALD."

BUT HE SAID HE SINCE HAD BECOME "ABSOLUTELY SURE" THEY WERE ONE -AND THE SAME MAN.

PERRY R. RUSSO, 25, A BATON ROUGE INSURANCE SALESMAN, TESTIFIED TUESDAY HE WITNESSED BUSINESS LEADER CLAY SHAW, 54, OSWALD AND DAVID FERRIE PLOTTING KENNEDY'S DEATH IN SEPTEMBER OF 1963.

ALTHOUGH HE IDENTIFIED OSWALD FROM PHOTOGRAPHS TUESDAY AS LEON OSWALD, HE SAID WEDNESDAY HE WAS NOT SURE IN THE DAYS FOLLOWING KENNEDY'S NOV. 22, 1963, ASSASSINATION IN DALLAS THAT THEY WERE THE SAME MAN.

AND HE SAID WEDNESDAY HE COULD NOT IDENTIFY AS LEON OSWALD A PICTURE OF OSWALD BEING SHOT BY JACK RUBY--TAKEN A FEW MINUTES AFTER THE PICTURE HE IDENTIFIED TUESDAY.

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