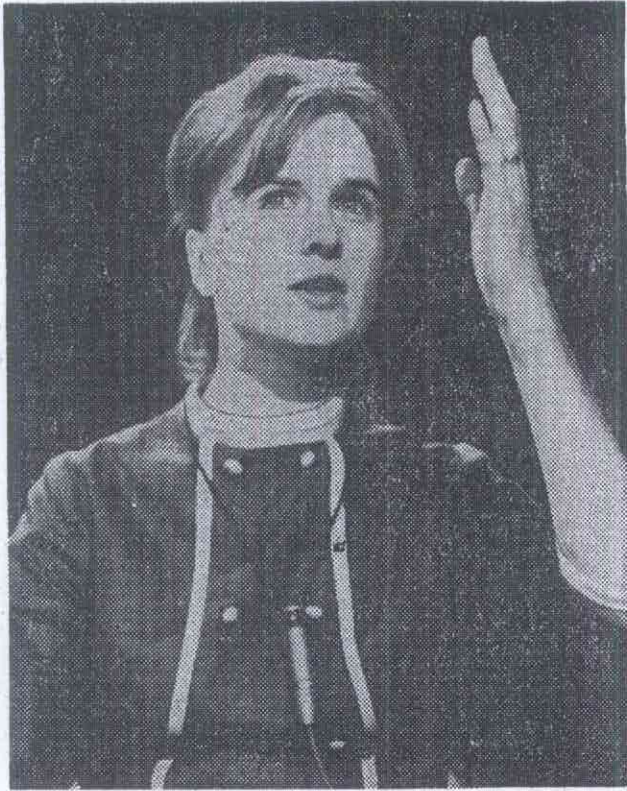


Grand Jury Subpena Goes to Marina Oswald Porter



SHE'LL COME TO NEW ORLEANS "if necessary," says Marina Oswald Porter as she gestures in a Dallas, Tex., interview Wednesday. Mrs. Porter, widow of accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, said she would appear as a material witness in District Attorney Jim Garrison's probe of the Kennedy assassination if she had to. Garrison has issued a subpoena for her.

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Feb. 8, 9 Days Specified
for Her Testimony

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An Orleans Parish grand jury subpoena for the former Mrs. Marina Oswald, widow of Lee Harvey Oswald, was obtained by the district attorney's office Wednesday.

Assistant Dist. Atty. James L. Alcock said his office wants to ask the woman, now Mrs. Kenneth Jess Porter, of Richardson, Tex., about activities and associates of Oswald in New Orleans before the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.

Feb. 8 and 9 are the days specified for testimony before the jury.

Marina has said she believes Oswald killed President Kennedy. She also has denied knowing any of the persons Dist. Atty Jim Garrison has accused of plotting Kennedy's death with Oswald.

Alcock said his office has "some very interesting questions to ask Mrs. Oswald."

AFRAID OF GARRISON

"We have indications she was with Lee when he talked to people we are interested in," he added later.

Contacted by telephone, Mrs. Porter said of her subpoena, "It's a surprise to me." In response to another question she said she did not think she could contribute anything to Garrison's investigation of Kennedy's death.

Asked if she plans to come to New Orleans, she said, "No, but I may have to."

She said she would "hate to go down there because Mr. Garrison is so powerful. I don't know if I could prove my innocence to him."

She said she talked to attorneys for Clay L. Shaw, charged with conspiring to kill Kennedy, last year. "I told them I would testify in his trial," she said.

'DOESN'T KNOW SHAW'

However, she added that this does not mean she knows anything about Shaw.

"I just want to do the right thing if he is an innocent man," she said. "But I don't think I could help in Mr. Garrison's work."

A copy of the subpoena was to be sent to Dallas District Attorney Henry Wade, Alcock said. Richardson is a suburb of Dallas.

If Mrs. Porter refuses to honor the subpoena, she will get a court hearing. The court then will decide if her testimony is material or if it

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would create a hardship on her to come to New Orleans.

"I don't see how any court would say her testimony was not material in this case," Alcock said.

As the effort to get Marina to New Orleans began, a California judge ruled that another person wanted for probe testimony does not have to come.

REQUEST REJECTED

Superior Court Judge P. R. Borton rejected at Bakersfield a Garrison request that bartender Loran Hall be sent to New Orleans for probe testimony.

Judge Borton said Hall's categorical denial that he

knew any of the alleged conspirators showed that he was either not a material witness in Garrison's investigation or that he committed perjury.

Hall told the court he is to report to a Los Angeles area Veteran Hospital Thursday for treatment of a serious liver ailment.

Hall's subpoena said Garrison has information Hall checked into the Dallas YMCA in October of 1963 and remained in Dallas until the Kennedy assassination.

It claims he was in Dallas with Jack Ruby, Oswald, "and other individuals believed to be involved in the assassination."

Oswald married Marina, now 26, while living in Russia as a U.S. defector. He was shot to death two days after the assassination by Jack Ruby.

Marina's subpoena is for the same day as one issued for

Kerry Thornely, an associate of Oswald's in the Marine Corps. Garrison claims Thornely also knew him in New Orleans.