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Mr. JOSEPH THOMPSON, 6434 Vicksburg Street, United States Air Force Reserve, advised that he attended Beauregard Junior High School from about 1952-55 and Warren Easton High School 1955-59 and 1960-61. He has resided at 6434 Vicksburg since 1947. He entered the Civil Air Patrol in July, 1955 and was active in it until July, 1959 when he went into the Air Force. He was affiliated with the New Orleans Airport Unit of the Civil Air Patrol, which ccoperated closely with the Moisant Unit from 1957 on.

Mr. THOMPSON said that after the assassination of the President, he saw OSWALD'S picture in the paper and on television. The accounts related that OSWALD had gone to Beauregard Junior High School and had lived on French Street, only a few blocks away from THOMPSON. Despite this, he was unable to recall OSWALD and was not able to do so even after he examined a Beauregard Junior High School yearbook.

To the knowledge of Mr. THOMPSON, he was the only JOSEPH THOMPSON in the Civil Air Patrol from 1955 to 1959, and he is sure he would have known if there was another member by the same name in the Moisant Unit. He said that they had one day's firearms training at Summer encompment and that was the only firearms training they received. The first Summer encompment that he attended was at the England Air Force Base at Alexandria, Louisiana, in 1956, since it was necessary to be an active member for ninety days before becoming eligible for camp. Camps are held for nine days and usually are held in June, July or August.

Mr. THOMPSON said that DAVE FERRIE became affiliated with the New Orleans Airport Unit for the first time in 1959 and claimed he was going to do big things for them. He gradually put persons he favored in the good positions and, just before THOMPSON went in the Air Force, other members of the unit were trying to oust FERRIE.

Mr. THOMPSON said that he did not know JACK LEON RUBY and thus knew of no possible connection of RUBY with OSWALD.

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