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Ramparts Authors Ask Ruby Inquiry

Washington

Authors of a magazine article citing ten mystery deaths possibly related to the assassination of President Kennedy said last week that Jack Ruby should be brought to Washington for a new inquiry.

In their article in Ramparts magazine, David Welsh and Penn Jones Jr., editor of the Midlothian Mirror, a weekly Texas newspaper, said the investigation should be reopened because of the mysterious deaths it claimed were indirectly related to the tragedy.

Pointing to ten deaths following the Nov. 22, 1963, assassination, the article said that was "reason enough" for a new hearing. It said the deaths were "possibly related to the assassination."

The deaths it referred to ranged from syndicated columnist Dorothy Kilgallen, who, the magazine said, was "passionately interested" in the case, to Nancy Jane Mooney, a stripper at Ruby's night club.

Welsh and Jones told a news conference that Ruby,

accused slayer of assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, should be brought here and asked some "unanswered questions" about the assassination.

Jones, who said he was the only Texas newspaperman investigating the death of Mr. Kennedy, said he did not believe Oswald killed anyone but was part of a conspiracy which included at least two hired killers.

Other deaths cited by the article included Jim Koethe, Bill Hunter and Tom Howard, who met at Ruby's apartment several hours after Ruby shot and killed Oswald, Ramparts said. They also included:

Earlene Roberts, who managed the rooming house where Oswald lived; Hank Killam, whose wife worked at Ruby's club and who had a friend who lived in the same rooming house as Oswald; William Whaley, driver of the cab which took Oswald from the bus station after the assassination; Lee Bowers, one of 65 witnesses who thought the fatal shots came from a knoll west of where Oswald waited; and Edward

Benavides, a witness to the slaying of Dallas policeman J. D. Tippit, slain by Oswald the day of the assassination.