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TYPE OF CASE Protective Research	STATUS Continued	TITLE OR CAPTION Assassination of President Kennedy
INVESTIGATION MADE AT Dallas and Fort Worth, Texas	PERIOD COVERED 11/28/63 - 12/11/63	Lee Harvey Oswald
INVESTIGATION MADE BY Special Agent Gary R. Seale		

SYNOPSIS

This report sets out background information on Lee Harvey Oswald from birth up until the time of his return to the United States from Russia.

DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

Please refer to previous reports submitted in this case.

The material contained in this report was compiled from school and military records; from personal interview with Marguerite Oswald; and from a review of letters written by Lee Harvey Oswald from Russia.

Lee Harvey Oswald's parents, Marguerite Oswald, and Robert Edward Lee Oswald, were married in New Orleans, Louisiana on July 20, 1933. Mrs. Oswald had previously been married to Edward J. Pic, a Certified Public Accountant. She and Mr. Pic were divorced on July 15, 1933.

Robert Edward Lee Oswald, an insurance salesman for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, died on August 19, 1939, two months before Lee Harvey Oswald's birth on October 18, 1939, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Lee Harvey Oswald has a half-brother, John Edward Pic, born January 17, 1932 in New Orleans. Pic is presently a Sergeant on active duty with the U. S. Air Force, stationed at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Oswald's brother, Robert Lee Oswald, was born in 1934 in New Orleans. He resides in Denton, Texas, and he is a sales co-ordinator for the Acme Brick Company, Denton, Texas.

When Lee Harvey Oswald was three years old, his mother placed him in the Bethlehem Lutheran Home, New Orleans, Louisiana. He remained in the Home until his mother married an electrical engineer, Edwin Eckdahl, on May 7, 1945.

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The family then moved to Benbrook, a suburb of Fort Worth, Texas. Lee Harvey Oswald's mother lived with Eckdahl only a short while, less than a year, she said. She said she divorced Eckdahl in 1947.

School records documenting Lee Harvey Oswald's first year in the Fort Worth School system are incomplete. Mrs. Oswald said she thinks he began the first grade at the Benbrook Elementary School, located in Benbrook.

School records show that Oswald entered the Lillie B. Clayton Elementary School, 2000 Park Place, Fort Worth, Texas, on January 27, 1947. He completed the first grade there on May 30, 1947.

Oswald began the second grade at the Lillie B. Clayton Elementary School on September 9, 1947. On March 18, 1948, he transferred to the George C. Clark Elementary School, 3300 S. Henderson Street, Fort Worth, where he completed the second grade on June 2, 1948.

From September 8, 1948 until June 3, 1949, Oswald attended the Arlington Heights Elementary School, 5100 El Campo Street, Fort Worth, completing the third grade there.

From September 7, 1949 until May 29, 1952, Oswald attended the Ridglea West Elementary School, 7325 Kermit, Fort Worth, completing the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades there.

Mrs. Luella Murrett, principal of the Ridglea West School, stated that at the time Oswald attended school there the pupils were graded by an "A" - above average; "B" - average; "C" - below average; "D" - failing. Oswald's grades indicate that he was average and below average on most of his subjects.

On January 16, 1950, when Oswald was eleven years old, he was given an I.Q. test at Ridglea West School. He scored 103. Mrs. Murrett stated that this score indicated that, when Oswald was eleven years old, he had the I.Q. of a child eleven years and three months old.

In September 1952, Mrs. Oswald and Lee Harvey Oswald moved to New York City. Mrs. Oswald stated that, up until this time, she always worked, and that Lee Harvey Oswald was cared for at home by his older brothers, John Pic and Robert Oswald.

(Oswald's residence in New York from September 1952 until January 1954 is being developed by the New York office.)

Mrs. Oswald and Lee Harvey Oswald moved back to New Orleans, Louisiana, in January 1954. Oswald graduated from P. G. Beauregard Junior High School in the summer of 1955. He attended Warren Easton High School, New Orleans, from

September 8, 1955 until October 10, 1955. He quit school at this time and started working as an office boy for Gerard F. Tujaque, Inc., Steamship Lines. He worked for this firm for about four months and then, for about four months, he worked as a delivery boy for a dental laboratory.

(Oswald's residence in New Orleans from 1954 until 1956 is being developed by the New Orleans office.)

Lee Harvey Oswald and his mother moved back to Fort Worth on July 1, 1956. On September 5, 1956, Oswald enrolled at Arlington Heights High School, 4501 W. Rosedale. He withdrew from this high school on September 28, 1956 to join the U. S. Marines. He received no academic credit at Arlington Heights High School.

On October 24, 1956, Oswald joined the U. S. Marine Corps at Dallas, Texas. His serial number was #1653230. This was just six days after his seventeenth birthday. Mrs. Oswald stated that Oswald attempted to join the Marines in New Orleans after his sixteenth birthday; that she even filed an affidavit stating that he was seventeen years old. She said he was not accepted by the Marines at that time because of his age.

(Oswald's military records are being checked by the St. Louis office.)

On 3-4-59 Oswald made application to Albert Schweitzer College, Switzerland. He was accepted for enrollment but never attended there.

In July 1959, Oswald wrote a letter to his mother telling her what steps she should take in helping him to obtain a hardship discharge.

Oswald was honorably separated from the U. S. Marine Corps on September 11, 1959. On 8-17-60, after defection to Russia, Oswald received an undesirable discharge. He arrived at his mother's home in Fort Worth, Texas, on September 14, 1959. He spent three days with his mother and on September 19, 1959 she received a letter from him postmarked New Orleans, in which he stated that he had booked passage on a ship to Europe.

(The New Orleans office is attempting to determine the name of the ship.)

On October 31, 1959, Oswald appeared at the American Embassy, Moscow, and attempted to renounce his American citizenship. He resided at the Metropole Hotel during his stay in Moscow. In December 1959, Oswald moved from Moscow to Minsk, Russia, where he worked as a metalsmith in a radio-television plant.

On April 30, 1961, Lee Harvey Oswald married Marina Nikolai'va in Minsk. Marina was born July 17, 1941 in Molotsk. She was a Russian citizen and was a registered pharmacist in Russia.

On February 15, 1962, Marina Oswald had her first child, a daughter, June Lee Oswald.

Lee Harvey Oswald, his wife Marina, and daughter June Lee lived in Minsk, Russia, until May 1962 when they appeared in Moscow on their way to the United States. On June 4, 1962 they boarded the SS Maasdam in Rotterdam, Holland. They arrived in New York on June 13, 1962.

ATTACHMENTS: (For Chief)

- Copy of Cumulative Record from Lillie B. Clayton, School #19
- " " " " " George C. Clark, School #18 X
- " " " " " Arlington Heights Elementary, School #28
- " " " " " Ridgelea West Elementary, School #48 X
- Photostats (2) of application form dated 10-2-45.
- Photostats (2) of application form dated 9-6-56.
- Photostat of Arlington Heights High School Permanent Record #266. X

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Copy (obtained from George C. Clark)

Lee  
 - 5th Ave First Middle BIRTH: YEAR 1939 MONTH Oct. DAY 18

Arvin Eldall GUARDIAN'S NAME SEX:

ORIGINAL RECORD SENT TO DATE

Grade	Days Present	Days Absent	Tardy	Dismissed Fairly	Citizenship	Reading	Spelling	Handwriting	English	Spanish	Soc. Sci. St. Soc. Studies	Arithmetic	Art	Music	Instrumental Music	Health	Speech	Industrial Arts	Home-making	Band Orchestra	Phys. Ed.	Reading Level	Date of Withdrawal	Destination	Home Teacher
1	87	1			A B			B B			B B B B														
2	120	5	2																				5-30-47	2nd Floor	John
3	40	6			B C D	B B					A A B A												3-18-48	#18	Mrs. Perry
																							5-2-48	3	Perry

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Mr. C. Clark)  
 Oct. DAY 18  
 SEX: FEMALE

First Name: 7408 Middle: BIRTH: YEAR 37 MONTH OCT DAY 18  
 Last Name: GUARDIAN'S NAME: ORIGINAL RECORD SENT TO: DATE:

Reading Level	Date of Withdrawal	Destination	Home Room Teacher
	5-30-47	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor	Lacour
	5-18-48	#18	Morgan
	5-2-48	3	Power

Citizenship	Reading	Spelling	Handwriting	English	Spanish	Soc. Sci. St. Soc. Studies	Arithmetic	Art	Music	Instrumental Music	Health	Sci-Health	Speech	Industrial Arts	Homemaking	Band	Orchestra	Phys. Ed.	Reading Level	Date of Withdrawal	Destination	Home Room Teacher	
																				5-3-47	2	Lacour	
	1	1	1	1																5-3-47	Co J	P Hunter	
	2	2	2	2																5-2-48	Co F	Power	
	3	3	3	3																5-2-48	Co G	Power	
	4	4	4	4																5-2-48	Co T	Power	

8th Ave. Middle BIRTH: YEAR 1939 MONTH Oct. DAY 18  
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SEX: MALE  
 FEMALE

GUARDIAN'S NAME  
 ORIGINAL RECORD SENT TO #28 DATE 5-9-49

SEX: MALE  
 FEMALE

DATE

Date of Withdrawal	Destination	Home Room Teacher
10-17-47	2nd Louisiana	
10-18-48	#18 Memphis	
2-18-49	3 Penn	

Early	Citizenship	Reading	Spelling	Handwriting	English	Spanish	Soc. Sci. St. Studies	Arithmetic	Art	Music	Instrumental Music	Health	Sci.-Health	Speech	Industrial Arts	Homemaking	Band Orchestra	Phys. Ed.	Reading Level	Date of Withdrawal	Destination	Home Room Teacher	
	B	B		B	B	B	B	B	B	B													
																					5-36-47	3	Louisiana

3-18-49 West Virginia #18

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(Residual Copy—Cumulative Record—Grades K-9—Fort Worth Public Schools)

Fort Worth Public Schools



Pupil's name Oswald, Lee Harvey Address 7430 [unclear] 266 [unclear] School No. 217  
Last Name First Name Middle Name  
 Date of birth 7 19 39 Age last birthday \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year  
 Father's full name Oswald Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mother's full name Ekdahl, Marguerite Address same  
 Name of person with whom child lives if not with parent \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
 What was the child's address last March \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name of school attended last year \_\_\_\_\_

List below the names of all brothers and sisters under 18 years of age.

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	DATE OF BIRTH			AGE		SCHOOL ATTENDING	SCHOOL CHANGED TO
			NO.	DAY	YEAR	BOY	GIRL		
<i>Oswald</i>	<i>Robert</i>	<i>Lee Ed.</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>34</i>			<i>55, 66</i>	

Change of Address	_____	Change of School	_____
	_____		_____
	<i>10-2-45</i>		_____

266  
School No.

irthday

ship

SCHOOL CHANGED TO

Child, Lee Harvey  
 Date of Birth: 19 39  
 Address: 740 Curing  
 School No. 266 48

Address: Oswald  
 Address: Ek Dahl, Marguerite  
 Address: same

Relationship: with whom child lives if not with parent  
 Relationship: d's address last March

ended last year.  
 List below the names of all brothers and sisters under 18 years of age.

FIRST NAME	MIDDLE NAME	DATE OF BIRTH			AGE		SCHOOL ATTENDING	SCHOOL CHANGED TO
		MO.	DAY	YEAR	BOY	GIRL		
Robert	Lee	4	7	34			57, 66	

Change  
of  
School

APPL. C. ON FOR REGISTRATION  
FEEL W. B. H. E. S. S. S. S. S. S.

R K U T N

NAME *[Handwritten]*  
ADDRESS *[Handwritten]*  
CITY *[Handwritten]*  
STATE *[Handwritten]*  
DATE OF BIRTH *[Handwritten]*  
NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM CHILD LIVES *[Handwritten]*  
DATE ATTENDED A MEETING *[Handwritten]*  
DATE ACQUIRED WHEN IN MEETING *[Handwritten]*  
PARENTS NAME *[Handwritten]*  
PARENTS NAME *[Handwritten]*  
PARENTS OCCUPATION *[Handwritten]*  
PARENTS OCCUPATION *[Handwritten]*

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NO

IS A MEMBER OF ANY HIGH SCHOOL FRATERNITIES OR SOCIETIES WHICH BAN FROM ATTENDANCE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS BY ACT OF THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE, OCTOBER, 1949.

**FORT WORTH PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
CUMULATIVE RECORD**

NAME: Oswald, Lee  
 BIRTH: YEAR 39 MONTH Oct DAY 18  
 PARENT: Edwin Ekball (Deceased)  
 OF OR GUARDIAN: Mrs. Marguerite Oswald

ADDRESS: 1505 8th Ave. PHONE: none  
 ADDRESS: 7108 Ewing PHONE: PE-7995  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 VACCINATION EXP. RES: 1951 - #19

M. A.  
 C. A.  
 L. O. 103  
 DATE: 11-50

Date of Entry	School	Grade	Room	Days Present	Days Absent	Tardy	Dis. Early	LANGUAGE ARTS					FINE ARTS			Phys. Ed.	Health	Citizenship	Date of Withdrawal	Destination	Teacher
								Reading	Spelling	H. Writing	English	Spanish	S. Studies	El. Science	Arithmetic						
1-27-49	1	1	133	87	1			B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	B	5-30-47	2	LOWR, 17035
3-18-48 Re-orientation 7-68																					
4-8-49	28	3	3A	15	23	2		C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	C	6-3-49	Gr. 4	R. Harty
9-7-49	19	4	16	13	10	1	1	B	C	B	B	C	B	B	B	B	B	B	6-2-50	Gr. 5	Livingston
9-6-50	28	5	105	57	17	3		C	D	B	C	B	B	D	B	B	B	B	6-1-51	Gr. 6	Darby
9-5-51	28	6	113	73	5			B	D	C	C	C	C	D	B	B	B	B	5-29-52	Gr. 7	Brater
Date Form Br. Ea. High Score Low Score																					
Met. Ach. Form				2-9-50		4.5		4.0		Reading	4.7		Spelling	3.3							
Stanford. Ach.				2-13-51		5.5		7.0		Reading	4.9		Elm. Sci.	3.0							
"				2-11-52		6.5		7.4		Word In.	8.6		Spell	4.4							

School: Lily B. Clayton      Millicent Keeble      Principal



SCHOOL HONORS  
(Give Activity and Year)

1. ....
2. ....
3. ....
4. ....
5. ....
6. ....
7. ....

PERMANENT HIGH  
FORT WORTH PL

*Arlington Heights*

Date of Graduation .....  
 No. in Class ..... Rank .....  
 Transcripts Sent ..... Date .....  
 1. *Frank Lewis (Mr. Lewis)* 12-11-62  
 2. ....  
 3. ....

DAYS ATTENDED  
CITIZENSHIP

*Beauregard* *Warren Easton H.S.*  
*New Orleans, La.* *New Orleans, La.*  
 1954-5 S. 1: 55 S 1955-5 1956-6 S 195

	Div.	Gr.	Cr.	Div.	Gr.	Cr.	Div.	Gr.	Cr.	Div.	Gr.	Cr.	Div.
LANGUAGE ARTS—	English	1	D	1/2	2	D	1/2						
	Journalism												
	Speech												
MATHEMATICS—	Gen. Mathematics	1	D	1/2	2	D	1/2						
	Algebra												
	Plane Geometry												
	Solid Geometry												
	Plane Trigonometry												
	Adv. Arithmetic												
SOCIAL STUDIES—	Jr. Social Studies												
	Anc. World History												
	Modern History												
	American History												
	Texas History												
	Civics	1	C	1/2	2	C	1/2						
	Economics												
SCIENCE—	General Science	1	D	1/2	2	D	1/2						
	Biology-Botany												
	Health Education												
	Chemistry												
	Physics												
LANGUAGES—	Latin												
	French												
	Spanish												
VOCATIONAL—	Mech. Drawing												
	Shop												
	Foods												
	Clothing												
	Home Management												
COMMERCIAL—	Com. Arithmetic												
	Com. Law												
	Shorthand												
	Typewriting												
	Bookkeeping												
	Salesmanship												
MISCELLANEOUS—	Art	1	D	1/2	2	D	1/2						
	Bible												
	Distrib. Education												
	Driver Education												
MUSIC—	Music Orientation												
	Music History												
	Band												
	Orchestra												
	Chorus												

*Attended from 9-8-55 to 10-10-55*  
*No Credits*