

# Marina Oswald's Future May Rest Upon This Report

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WASHINGTON — The American citizenship that Marina Oswald says she wants may very well hang on the Warren Commission Report.

The final decision on the application of the Russian widow of President Kennedy's accused assassin will rest with the judge who eventually hears her petition for citizenship.

But it is the opinion of some immigration officials here that it will have to be proven she was in no way involved in certain of her late husband's activities.

**THE COMMISSION'S** extensive questioning of Mrs. Oswald, which consumed 20 hours and spanned four days, is certain to provide these answers or at least shed light on them.

At the time of her appearance before the committee last February, it was said the questioners' interrogation started with Mrs. Oswald's birth in Severodvinsk, Russia, and ended with current times.

In any event, Mrs. Oswald, who was 23 last July 17, still has to complete her five-year residency requirement for citizenship. She arrived in the United States on June 13, 1962.

Lee Harvey Oswald tried to renounce his American citizenship during the two years and eight months he resided in the Soviet Union.

**THAT COUNTRY,** apparently, was not interested in having him as one of its own. Consequently, his American citizenship has passed on to his daughter, Jane Lee, now 3, despite the fact that she was born in Russia.

Mrs. Oswald's second daughter, 11 month old Rachel, also is an American citizen.

In the meantime, and except for the fact that she was the wife of Lee Harvey Oswald, it could be said Marina Oswald never had it so good.

Virtually penniless from the time she was born, Mrs. Oswald has a trust fund of some \$67,000 for herself and her baby daughters.

The money was contributed by sympathetic persons, almost all Americans, in the months following Oswald's murder on Nov. 24.

At present, she is living in a secluded cottage on Lake Towakoni just east of Dallas, Tex.

There, Mrs. Oswald and writer Priscilla Johnson are co-authoring a book for the Harper & Row Publishing Company. Mrs. Oswald's daughters are with them and all are "incommunicado."

**THE YOUTHFUL** widow's around the clock Secret Service protection,

which began shortly after her husband was murdered, ended when she concluded her testimony before the Warren Commission.

It is not known how much money Mrs. Oswald is receiving from her contract with Harper & Row, but the amount undoubtedly is sizable and, then, there will be royalties from the book.

All the money in the trust fund is tax free, since it was donated. Only the interest is taxable.

Mrs. Oswald's attorney, William A. McKenzie, said he "thinks" she is leasing the Lake Towakoni cottage.

She also has leased and, according to her attorney, still maintains a brick home in Richardson, Tex., about 14 miles northwest of downtown Dallas.



Accused assassin Oswald's wife as she appeared on TV

**THE** Richardson house is in an upper middle class neighborhood and, if bought, would cost about \$15,000 to \$18,000. It sits by itself, has three bedrooms and a car port.

While living in Richardson, Mrs. Oswald frequently was seen working in her yard, walking the children, on grocery errands and occasionally talking to her neighbors.

For the most part, she kept very much to herself. McKenzie said she still "sees some of her friends."

Although no one knows for sure, one person she apparently does not see is Mrs. Marguerite Oswald, the mother of her late husband.

The widow said of her mother-in-law, "I don't want to talk to her. She is too much bad for me."

In many ways, Mrs. Oswald has changed from those first pictures that were seen of her, clutching her older daughter at her side in the Dallas police station.

**THE NEW** Marina emerged when she appeared as the first witness before the Warren Commission. Prior to this, she had spent a great deal of time being questioned by the FBI. To both government agencies she gave the utmost co-operation.

Her long, straight brown hair is now worn in a fashionable bouffant style.



Her clothes are more chic and touches of makeup can be seen on her face.

She has smoked cigars in public and has sampled a few alcoholic drinks. All these things her late husband would not have allowed.

Within her slight frame—she is only 5 feet 2—there seems to be a lot of spirit.

Mrs. Oswald stood by her husband when times were rough and through situations she did not understand because, as she said, "I am a wife."