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DALLAS, DEC. 7 (AP)-A DALLAS POLICE OFFICER WAS QUOTED TODAY AS SAYING HE SAW JACK RUBY, THE MAN WHO SHOT LEE HARVEY OSWALD TO DEATH, GO INTO THE CITY HALL BASEMENT MINUTES BEFORE THE FATAL SHOT WAS FIRED.

HOW RUBY, NOW IN COUNTY JAIL AWAITING TRIAL ON MURDER CHARGES, ENTERED THE BASEMENT WHERE THE SHOOTING OCCURRED HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF AN EXTENSIVE INVESTIGATION WITHIN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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"JACK RUBY, OSWALD'S ASSASSIN, CAME FROM THE NORTH (MAIN STREET) ENTRANCE DOWN THE RAMP. THERE WERE MANY POLICE OFFICERS AND PRESS REPRESENTATIVES IN THE AREA.

"RUBY JUMPED OUT OF THE CROWD AS OSWALD PASSED AND FIRED ONE SHOT POINT-BLANK AT OSWALD."

THE SHOOTING OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ACCUSED ASSASSIN WAS VIEWED BY A NATIONAL TELEVISION AUDIENCE. OSWALD WAS BEING LED TO AN ARMORED CAR FOR TRANSFER TO COUNTY JAIL AT THE TIME.

THE NEWSPAPER DID NOT NAME THE POLICEMAN WHO MADE THE STATEMENT.

NO OFFICIAL EXPLANATION HAS BEEN MADE ON HOW RUBY GOT INTO THE BASEMENT.

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