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NEW YORK, FEB. 16 (AP)-MRS. LEE GRANT, SISTER OF JACK RUBY, SAYS SHE IS CERTAIN HER BROTHER WAS INSANE WHEN HE SHOT LEE H. OSWALD, THE NEW YORK TIMES SAID TODAY.

IN A DALLAS DISPATCH BY JACK LANGGUTH, MRS. GRANT WAS QUOTED AS SAYING: "IN HIS RIGHT MIND HE WOULD NEVER HAVE DONE IT," ADDING:

"WHY DO THEY JUST TEST HIS MIND? WHY CAN'T THERE BE A TEST OF HIS HEART, TO SHOW HOW HE FELT ABOUT THE PRESIDENT?"

RUBY GOES ON TRIAL TOMORROW IN THE SLAYING OF OSWALD, ACCUSED ASSASSIN OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

THE NEWSPAPER FURTHER QUOTED MRS. GRANT CONCERNING RUBY:

"WE HAD ONE EXPERT AT HARVARD. THEY DECIDED NOT TO CALL HIM AT THE BAIL HEARING BECAUSE HE HADN'T INTERVIEWED JACK PERSONALLY.

"HE LOOKED AT THE REPORTS FROM THE OTHER PSYCHIATRISTS, AND HE SAID, 'ON THE BASIS OF THESE, HE'S NUTS.'"

MRS. GRANT CONTENDED, THE TIMES SAID, THAT RUBY COULD NOT GET A FAIR TRIAL IN DALLAS BECAUSE OF ANTI-SEMITIC FEELINGS IN THE TEXAS CITY. SHE SAID SHE HAD FREQUENTLY EXPERIENCED SUCH HOSTILITY.

MRS. GRANT, A WIDOW, CONTINUED:

"OF COURSE JACK WOULD FIGHT. YOU COULD CALL HIM A SO-AND-SO, AND THAT MIGHT NOT BE TOO BAD. BUT CALL HIM A SO-AND-SO JEW AND HE'D START SWINGING."

ALTHOUGH SHE AND RUBY WERE CLOSE, MRS. GRANT SAID, HER BROTHER STRUCK HER DURING AN ARGUMENT LAST FALL.

"WE WERE ARGUING," MRS. GRANT SAID, "BECAUSE HE HAD LOANED A FELLOW MORE THAN \$200 TO GET HIS CAR FIXED. HE GAVE HIM THE MONEY INSTEAD OF PAYING THE LIGHT BILL AT THE (CAROUSEL) CLUB."

MRS. GRANT PICTURED HER BROTHER AS IMPULSIVE, LOYAL AND SINCERELY RELIGIOUS, SAYING:

"HE'S NO ANGEL AND NEITHER AM I. BUT HE'S ALWAYS HAD RESPECT FOR EVERY RELIGION. HE'D NEVER LET THE COMEDIANS AT HIS CLUB MAKE A JOKE ABOUT A PRIEST OR A MINISTER OR ANYTHING ABOUT RELIGION."

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