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Dallas, Tex., Dec. 9 (AP)- Jack Ruby, who shot to death accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, was taken from the Dallas County jail late today to Parkland hospital.

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Dallas, Tex., first add Jack Ruby hospitalized (a87dn)
x x x Parkland Hospital.

Sheriff Bill Decker, who has had Ruby in his custody at the Dallas County jail since Oswald was killed, called a news conference that he said would be held momentarily.

Ruby was taken to the same hospital where President John F. Kennedy died after he was shot by a rifleman on Nov. 22, 1963.

Two days later, before a national television audience, Ruby shot Oswald fatally as the accused assassin was being transferred from the city jail to the country jail.

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urgent

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Dallas, Tex., second add Jack Ruby (A87-88dn)/county jail.

There was a report that Ruby was suffering from pneumonia, but Dr. J.M. Pickert was quoted by television station KRLD as saying Ruby had a "severe cold." Pickert is the Dallas County health officer.

Ruby was convicted and given a death sentence for the slaying of Oswald, but only recently the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals reversed the conviction and ordered a new trial for the former strip-tease joint operator.

The new trial was set for Wichita Falls by Judge Louis Holland

of Montague, who took over the case after Dist. Judge Joe B. Brown stepped out of it following the appeal.

Holland has not set a date for the trial but indicated it would be held in February.

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bulletin

First Lead Ruby

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 9 (AP)- Jack Ruby, killer of Lee Harvey

Oswald, was taken to Parkland Hospital today from his Dallas County jail cell and was listed in serious condition with pneumonia.

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bulletin matter

Dallas, Tex. -- first add first lead Ruby A94dn x x with pneumonia.

Ruby shot to death Oswald, accused assassin of President John F. Kennedy, two days after the president was slain by a rifleman in Dallas.

The hospital issued a statement shortly before 6 p.m. (CST) which read:

"Jack Ruby was admitted to Parkland Hospital at 5:15 this afternoon. His condition was listed as serious. The admitting diagnosis was pneumonia.

"The next statement on his condition will be at 9 a.m. (CST) tomorrow."

Ruby was taken to a private room in the hospital and hospital authorities said no visitors except those approved by Sheriff Bill Decker would be allowed.

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A98dn

urgent

Dallas, Tex. -- 2nd add first lead Jack Ruby (a94-96dn) which should be bylined by Tom Stuckey x x x Bill Decker.

There appeared to be little excitement around the hospital some 25 minutes after Ruby was entered. No police cars were evident and the lobby was deserted.

Sheriff Decker, who has had the 55-year-old Ruby in his custody since Oswald was killed, called a news conference at his office in the old courthouse building where the Ruby trial was held.

Ruby's sister, Mrs. Eva Grant, told newsmen that her brother "has been sick for three weeks."

Ruby was taken x x x 3rd graf A87-88dn.

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A105dn

urgent

Dallas, Tex. -- third add first lead Jack Ruby A98dn x x x three weeks."

While reporters waited at Deckers office for the news conference, he telephoned them from the hospital. He told the Associated Press:

"I delivered him to the hospital at 4:57 p.m. They said he has possible pneumonia. They didn't say how serious -- they're making tests to determine that.

"they said they'd keep him, but they didn't say how long...they don't know yet."

Decker said Ruby had not been exposed to another case of pneumonia. He said Ruby's transfer to the hospital came about because of a routine examination by the county health officer.

Mrs. Grant, who has been a familiar figure in court and around Ruby since the events of 1963, rushed to the hospital and arrived soon after her brother.

She rushed upstairs to the floor where Ruby was hospitalized and called Phil Burleson, one of the Ruby defense lawyers.

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A106dn

urgent

Dallas, Tex. -- 4th add first lead Jack R by (A105dn) x x x defense lawyers.

In Detroit, Mich., Ruby's brother Earl said he had just received the information. "All I know is that they told me it's very serious," he said.

"I just saw him Tuesday," Earl Ruby continued, "and he looked terrible."

He said then that he was very ill physically. He complained of pains in his chest while I was there in the ^Ecall."

Asked if Jack had also complained to jail officials, Earl answered, "Yes, they knew about it. There were treating him for a cold."

Earl Ruby said he was expecting a call from Parkland and would decide then whether to go to Dallas.

"I may leave tomorrow morning," he said, "but I'LL just have to wait and see." He said he would go to Dallas alone.

ja632pcs

A117dn

urgent

second lead ruby

by Tom Stuckey

Associated Press Writer

Dallas, Tex. Dec. 9 (AP)- Jack Ruby, the stubby strip joint boss who killed Lee Harvey Oswald, was taken to Parkland Hospital late today with an illness described as a serious case of pneumonia.

Ruby, 55, had been under treatment in his jail cell for a ~~week~~ bad cold for about three weeks.

Sheriff Bill Decker said he was admitted to the hospital about 5:15 p.m. following a routine examination by Dr. John R. Callahan, assistant county health officer.

Except for defense claims that he was mentally sick, it was Ruby's first reported illness since he gunned down Oswald, later named by the Warren Commission as assassin of President John F. Kennedy, on Nov. 24, 1963, two days after the assassination.

After he was convicted of murder in February, 1964, and given the death sentence for killing Oswald, Ruby's attorneys said he had attempted suicide -- once by banging his head against a wall and once by sticking his finger in a light socket.

District Attorney Henry Wade said the defense claims were a play for sympathy.

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals ordered a new trial for Ruby recently, and last week Judge Louis Holland set the second trial for Wichita Falls, probably in February.

In court appearances after the assassination and during his murder trial, Ruby's usually ruddy complexion was waxy and he had lost weight. But in court since then he seemed to have regained his plump figure.

Parkland, the city-county hospital where both President Kennedy and Oswald died, issued this statement:

"Jack Ruby was admitted to Parkland Hospital at 5:15 this afternoon. His condition was listed as serious. The admitting diagnosis was pneumonia.

"The next statement on his condition will be at 9 a.m. (EST) tomorrow."

Decker said he delivered Ruby to the hospital at 4:57 a.m.

"Security will be maximum," he said.

Ruby was taken to a private room and hospital authorities said ~~xx~~ only visitors approved by Decker would be permitted to see him.

There was no evidence of excitement at the hospital. No police cars were in sight and the lobby was deserted except for newsmen.

Mrs. Eva Grant, Ruby's sister, arrived at the hospital soon after her brother.

She went to his upper floor room after telling reporters he had been ill for three weeks and had not been properly treated.

Decker said, "I understand he's had a cold for several weeks." But he said Ruby had not been exposed while in jail and added "this all came about because of a routine examination" by Dr. Callahan.

In Detroit x x x 16th graf first lead A106dn et seq.

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third night lead Ruby

By Tom Stuckey

Associated Press Writer

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 9 (AP)- Jack Ruby, the stubby stip joint boss who killed Lee Harvey Oswald, was taken to Parkland Hospital late today with an illness described as a serious case of pneumonia.

"That guy's dying," said Ruby's sister, Mrs. Eva Grant.

The jail doctor said Ruby had a "throat-tickling kind of cough" -- and no fever.

The hospital said the admission diagnosis was pneumonia and listed Ruby's condition as serious.

Except for defense claims that he was mentally sick, it was Ruby's first reported illness since he gunned down Oswald, later named by the Warren Commission as the assassin of President Kennedy.

Sheriff Bill Decker said he ordered Ruby transferred to the hospital on the advice of Dr. J.M. Pickard, county health officer, after routinely visiting Ruby's cell for the first time in 10 days.

Dr. John W. Callahan, Pickard's assistant, said he had been seeing Ruby daily for two weeks because of a cold.

"I examined him at 10 a.m. today," he said, "and his cold seemed to be subsiding. I thought he was improving. I was surprised to hear tonight that he had gone to the hospital."

Callahan said "the sheriff can act any time he wants in a case like this."

Mrs. Grant visited Ruby in his hospital room and then told a reporter: "I'm not leaving. I'll be here all night. I don't even trust the hospital . . . that guy's dying."

She said she saw Ruby earlier today and he looked "terrible, like a corpse . . . for three weeks, he's been deathly sick."

Decker said he decided to drop in on Ruby today and: "Jack said he had a bad cold and wasn't feeling up to par. I talked to Dr. Pickard and he suggested Jack should be taken to the hospital where he could be x-rayed, examined and tests made."

Callahan, who has been practicing medicine for 15 years, said he had been giving Ruby cough medicine and, for the past three days, antibiotics.

Ruby gunned down Oswald in the basement of the Dallas city jail on Nov. 24, 1963, two days after President Kennedy was assassinated.

After he was convicted x x x 12th graf 2nd lead A117-120dn.

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