

JACK RUBY DIES OF LUNG CANCER

No Plot—He Insists to End

DALLAS—(AP)—Jack Ruby, the slayer of accused presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, died today in Parkland Hospital, where he had been suffering from cancer since Dec. 9.

Ruby was moved to the hospital after complaining of an illness which jail doctors had been treating as a bad cold for three weeks.

At the hospital, his illness was first diagnosed as pneumonia and then as cancer which had spread into the lymph glands, lungs and pancreas. X-ray and surgery would do no good, doctors said.

Ruby's death came at 8:30 a.m. (PST).

RECORDING

Only yesterday, it was disclosed that Ruby had made a recording insisting that there was no conspiracy involved in his killing of Oswald — named by the Warren Commission as the killer of President Kennedy, who also died at Parkland Hospital.

Sheriff's deputies had been issuing twice-daily bulletins on Ruby's condition but this morning said the bulletin would be a "little late."

A product of the Chicago slums, Ruby was little known even in Dallas until he stepped in front of television cameras with a snub-nosed revolver and shot Oswald as he was being moved from the Dallas city jail.

That was on Nov. 24, 1963, and the one-time Chicago tough kid had gained the world renown friends said he always had wanted.

Ruby, who was 55, had lost as much as 10 pounds in weight in 10 days and a source said over the weekend that he "had given up." Another source said Ruby had "lost his spirit."

'PEACEFUL' DEATH

In Ruby's room when he died were his brother, Earl Ruby of Detroit, Mich.; his sister, Eva Grant of Dallas,



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home here for preparation for shipment to Chicago's Weinstein & Sons, possibly late today.

The funeral will be held in Chicago on Friday.

and Eileen Kaminsky, another sister from Chicago.

One sister said "Jack died peacefully."

A Dallas jury sentenced Ruby to death after a stormy, month-long trial before Judge Joe B. Brown in March 1964. But the Texas court of criminal appeals overturned the conviction last October.

A new trial was scheduled for Wichita Falls, Tex., tentatively in February, and Dallas District Attorney Henry Wade had indicated he would again seek the death penalty.

After an autopsy, Ruby's body will go to a funeral