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WASHINGTON, FEB. 22 (AP)-A NEW ORLEANS POLICE DETECTIVE TESTIFIED BEFORE THE WARREN COMMISSION THAT HE FOUND "NOTHING CONCRETE" TO LINK DAVID FERRIE WITH LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

THE DETECTIVE, FREDERICK S. O'SULLIVAN, SAID HE WAS NOT SURE WHETHER FERRIE WAS IN CHARGE OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL SQUADRON AT NEW ORLEANS AIRPORT WHEN OSWALD SHOWED AN INTEREST IN JOINING.

O'SULLIVAN, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE SQUADRON AT THE TIME, WAS ASKED:

"BUT YOU DON'T KNOW OF ANY TIME THAT OSWALD ASSOCIATED WITH OR KNEW FERRIE THROUGH THE CIVIL AIR PATROL?"

"NO; I AM NOT SURE OF ANY," HE REPLIED.

O'SULLIVAN TOLD THE COMMISSION ABOUT FERRIE'S ARREST AFTER PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY WAS ASSASSINATED ON NOV. 22, 1963.

THE COMMISSION CONCLUDED AFTER ITS INVESTIGATION THAT OSWALD SHOT KENNEDY AND THAT THERE WAS NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE TO SHOW ANYONE ELSE WAS IMPLICATED.

FERRIE, WHO WAS NOT CALLED BEFORE THE WARREN COMMISSION, WAS FOUND DEAD IN HIS BED IN NEW ORLEANS TODAY.



O'SULLIVAN, TESTIFYING AT A COMMISSION HEARING IN NEW ORLEANS
APRIL 7-8, 1964, SAID:

"I BELIEVE CAPT. FERRIE WAS ARRESTED. I AM SURE HE WAS
ARRESTED, AND I BELIEVE IT WAS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS OSWALD
SITUATION. HE WAS BOOKED AT THE FIRST DISTRICT STATION. I DON'T
KNOW JUST WHAT HE WAS CHARGED WITH, I BELIEVE JUST 107, UNDER
INVESTIGATION OF WHATEVER IT WAS, I DON'T KNOW."

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HE THEN TOLD OF ACCOMPANYING POLICE LT. PAUL DWYER TO NEW OR-
LEANS AIRPORT TO CHECK ON FERRIE'S AIRPLANE.

"WE WANTED TO CHECK IT TO SEE IF IT WAS FLYABLE, TO SEE
POSSIBLY WHETHER HE HAD BEEN FLYING IT LATELY, WITH THE THOUGHT
THAT HE MAY HAVE TRANSPORTED OSWALD TO DALLAS," O'SULLIVAN SAID.

"...WE FOUND HIS PLANE, BUT HIS PLANE WAS NOT IN FLYABLE CON-
DITION. IT HAD FLAT TIRES, INSTRUMENTS MISSING, NEEDED A PAINT
JOB. HE ALSO CHECKED TO SEE IF HE HAD RENTED AN AIRCRAFT FROM
ANY OF THE COMPANIES OUT THERE, AND ONE COMPANY IN PARTICULAR
SAID THAT THEY WOULDN'T RENT HIM AN AIRPLANE.

Q DID THEY TELL YOU WHY?

A NO.

O'SULLIVAN SAID HE FIRST MET OSWALD WHEN THE LATTER WAS
ATTENDING BEAUREGARD JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL IN 1954-55.

AFTER OSWALD'S ARREST AS A SUSPECT IN THE KENNEDY SHOOTING,
O'SULLIVAN SAID, HE CHECKED THROUGH THE OLD CIVIL AIR PATROL
FILES "TRYING TO GET SOME INFORMATION FOR THE SECRET SERVICE."

Q. DID YOU FIND ANYTHING IN THESE FILES THAT RELATED TO FERRIE
OR OSWALD?

A. WELL, WE FOUND PAPERS SIGNED BY FERRIE BUT NOTHING IN
RELATION TO OSWALD.

ANOTHER WITNESS AT THE NEW ORLEANS HEARING WAS LISTED IN THE
TRANSCRIPT AS EDWARD VOEBEL (CQ), WHO DESCRIBED HIMSELF AS A
FLORIST.

VOEBEL SAID OSWALD ATTENDED TWO OR THREE MEETINGS OF THE CIVIL
IR PATROL AND THEN "HE LOST INTEREST AFTER THAT, I THINK."

Q. WHO WAS THE MAJORDOMO OF THE CAP UNIT THAT YOU ATTENDED?

A. I THINK IT WAS CAPT. FERRIE. I THINK HE WAS THERE WHEN
LEE ATTENDED ONE OF THESE MEETINGS, BUT I'M NOT SURE OF THAT.

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