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Alcock said a copy would be mailed to Dallas County Dist. Atty. Henry Wade. Then, he explained, a hearing would be held on whether she be ordered to return if she does not do so voluntarily.

"I don't see how any court would say her testimony was not material in this case," Alcock said.

The subpoena said that "Marina Oswald Porter, being the wife of Lee Harvey Oswald. . . would have some knowledge of Lee Harvey Oswald's activities and associates in New Orleans as well as in Dallas, Tex."

Alcock later explained that she is not technically a material witness in the sense she would know something of the crime. He said they merely want her for background information about Oswald.

"We've got some very interesting questions to ask her," he said. "Now whether she will be a willing witness is something else. She hasn't volunteered any information so far. We know of several instances when she was with Oswald when he saw some of these people (meaning alleged conspirators)."

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