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MRS. OSWALD--WITH RUBY

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DALLAS MARCH 14 (AP)-MRS. MARGUERITE OSWALD SAID TODAY SHE WISHED THE JURY HAD SENTENCED JACK RUBY TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT RATHER THAN DEATH IN THE ELECTRIC CHAIR.

"I WANT HIM ALIVE," SHE SAID OF THE MAN WHO KILLED HER SON. "I WANT HIM ALIVE BECAUSE I BELIEVE JACK RUBY WAS A PAID KILLER WHO DEPRIVED MY SON OF HIS TRIAL. I AM CONFIDENT I CAN PROVE THERE ARE THINGS TO BE BROUGHT OUT.

"I ALSO DO NOT BELIEVE IN CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. I WOULD HAVE PREFERRED HIM TO GET LIFE IMPRISONMENT WITHOUT PAROLE."

MRS. OSWALD TALKED MATTER-OF-FACTLY TO NEWSMEN WHILE SHE DRANK ICED TEA IN A NEARBY COFFEE SHOP AFTER THE VERDICT WAS RETURNED.

"I CANNOT SAY I WAS SURPRISED AT THE VERDICT. I THINK THE JURY DID WHAT IT THOUGHT BEST.

"BUT I BELIEVE 'THOU SHALT NOT KILL.' AND I HAVE NO HATRED. I BELIEVE RUBY WAS A HUMAN BEING JUST LIKE MY SON. IT'S QUITE POSSIBLE THAT LIFE IN PRISON WOULD MAKE HIM A FINE MAN.

"I ALSO WANT JACK RUBY ALIVE TO HELP IN HIS OWN WAY. I BELIEVE LEE (HER SON LEE HARVEY OSWALD) WAS A PAWN IN THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY. THE DEATH OF RUBY WOULD MAKE MY THEORY VERY HARD TO PROVE.

I BELIEVE JACK RUBY WAS PAID TO KILL LEE, BECAUSE LEE DID NOT KILL OFFICER TIPPIT."

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DALLAS, MRS. OSWALD (A84 INSERT AFTER 8TH GRAF X X X OFFICER TIPPIT."

MRS. OSWALD SAID SHE IS CONVINCED OFFICER TIPPIT WAS KILLED IN ORDER TO IMPLICATE HER SON IN THE ASSASSINATION. THEN, SHE SAID, RUBY WAS HIRED TO KILL LEE BEFORE HE COULD BE BROUGHT TO TRIAL.

OSWALD HAD XXX PICKING UP 9TH GRAF

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OSWALD HAD BEEN CHARGED WITH KILLING PATROLMAN J. D. TIPPIT SHORTLY BEFORE HIS CAPTURE AS A SUSPECT IN THE ASSASSINATION OF THE PRESIDENT.

"I INTEND TO CONTINUE SPEAKING IN MY SON'S CAUSE," MRS. OSWALD SAID. "THERE IS MUCH MORE TO WORK WITH NOW THAT THE RUBY TRIAL IS FINISHED."

HER NEXT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT, SHE SAID, WILL BE ON A TELEVISION PANEL PROGRAM IN CHICAGO ON MARCH 25.

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DALLAS--FIRST ADD MRS. OSWALD-RUBY (A84DS) XX N MARCH 25.

MR. OSWALD SAID SHE WILL MAKE A PUBLIC APPEAL SOON FOR FUNDS TO CONTINUE HER INVESTIGATION INTO THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

"I DON'T WANT MONEY FOR MYSELF. I NEED A STENOGRAPHER AND AN INVESTIGATOR AND MONEY ENOUGH TO PAY HOTEL BILLS FOR ONE YEAR," SHE SAID.

THE PUBLIC APPEAL FOR FUNDS WILL BE ON NATIONAL TELEVISION, SHE SAID.

"I FEEL THAT SOMEWHERE THERE IS SOMEONE WHO WILL COME FORWARD WITH ENOUGH MONEY FOR ME TO MAINTAIN A HOTEL HEADQUARTERS FOR ONE YEAR. THAT PERSON DOES NOT HAVE TO REVEAL HIS NAME OR INTEREST," SHE SAID.

"WITH A YEAR'S TIME, I BELIEVE I CAN PRODUCE ENOUGH EVIDENCE TO SHOW PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION WAS PART OF A CONSPIRACY."

"I DON'T WANT THE MONEY FOR MYSELF. I CAN BUY MY OWN CLOTHES AND SUPPORT MYSELF THROUGH MY LECTURES, BUT I NEED THE HEADQUARTERS, STENOGRAPHER AND INVESTIGATOR," THE WHITE-HAIRED DIVORCEE SAID.

SHE ADDED THAT THE PERSON OR PERSONS CONTRIBUTING FUNDS FOR THE INVESTIGATION COULD NOT HAVE POLITICAL INVOLVEMENTS.

"I JUST WANT THEM TO HAVE A SENSE OF JUSTICE."

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