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New York, Aug. 20 (AP)- Jack Ruby reportedly told the Warren ~~commission~~ commission he never knew Lee Harvey Oswald, President Kennedy's accused assassin, and that his compassion for the President's widow led him to kill Oswald.

That information came from the New York Journal-American, which is published under copyright a 102-page transcript of a three-hour interrogation of Ruby by Chief Justice Earl Warren in Dallas last June 17.

The account is written under the by-line of columnist Dorothy Kilgallen, who said she obtained the transcript "through sources close to the commission in Washington."

In yesterday's second installment, Ruby is quoted as saying of his shooting Oswald:

"Of why that Sunday morning -- that thought never entered my mind prior to that Sunday morning when I took it upon myself to try to be a martyr or some screwball, you might say.

"But I felt very emotional and very carried away from (sic) Mrs. Kennedy, that with all the strige she had gone through -- I had been following it pretty well -- that someone owed it to our beloved president that she shouldn't be expected to come back to face trial of this heinous crime. And I have never had a chance to tell that, to back it up, to prove it. Consequently I am being victimized as part of a plot in the world's worst tragedy and crime at this moment."

In the transcript, Warren repeatedly asked Ruby if he knew Oswald prior to the shooting. Ruby is quoted as saying:

"I never knew Lee Harvey Oswald. The first time I ever have seen him was the time in the assembly room when they brought him out, when he had some sort of shiner on his eye."

Just a few hours after President Kennedy was killed, Ruby mingled with newsmen in the assembly room of Dallas police headquarters and saw Oswald.

Oswald, formally accused of the Nov. 22 assassination of the President, was slain during a routine jail transfer two days later.

Ruby was sentenced to death for Oswald's murder in a trial that ended March 14. His attorneys pleaded that he was insane.

~~Ruby was~~ Much of the material in the Warren commission transcript was brought out by other witnesses. Ruby was questioned by Warren in the Dallas County jail. He is being held there pending appeal of his conviction.

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