

Killer Died Of Gunshot

DALLAS (UPI) — The man who performed the autopsy on Lee Harvey Oswald, and an administrator of the hospital where he died, Saturday challenged the charges of one of Jack Ruby's attorneys that Oswald did not die as the result of Ruby's shot.

Joe Tonahill charged early Saturday in Las Vegas that Oswald died as the result of an air bubble in the bloodstream (air embolism), possibly resulting from a plasma transfusion, which eventually resulted in a cardiac arrest.

DR. EARL Rose, Dallas County medical examiner who performed the autopsy told UP that "Mr. Oswald died of a gunshot wound."

Rose said "there was air embolized, and there was also a hemorrhage, but these are purely secondary things."

He said the embolism was caused by the gunshot wound, not by a transfusion.

ROSE ADDED "I think Mr. Tonahill is being presumptuous in saying that this caused Oswald's death. I say death came from the gunshot wound."

Pete Geilich, assistant administrator of Parkland Hospital,

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JOE TONAHILL
Ruby's Attorney

(Continued from page 1) said that Oswald never received a plasma transfusion. "He was given whole blood."

He said the autopsy reports show Oswald died of a cardiac arrest resulting from the wound.

REFERRING to Tonahill's medical knowledge, Geilich said "I think Joe Tonahill is probably a very good lawyer."

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