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FIRST LEAD MRS. OSWALD
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WASHINGTON, FEB. 11 (AP)-MRS. MARGUERITE OSWALD TESTIFIED TODAY THAT HER DAUGHTER-IN-LAW, MARINA, TOLD POLICE ON NOV. 22 THAT THE PRESUMED WEAPON OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION "DID NOT LOOK LIKE"

THE RIFLE OWNED BY LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

THE TESTIMONY OF THE ELDER MRS. OSWALD, GIVEN BEHIND CLOSED DOORS
TO THE PRESIDENTIAL INVESTIGATING COMMISSION, WAS PASSED ON TO REPORTERS BY MARK LANE, NEW YORK ATTORNEY RETAINED BY HER TO REPRESENT HER SON.

LANE ACCOMPANIED MRS. OSWALD TO HER SECOND DAY OF TESTIMONY, BUT ALREADY HAD BEEN REFUSED THE RIGHT TO BE PRESENT AND CROSS-EXAMINE COMMITTEE WITNESSES IN WHAT HE CALLED THE COMMISSION'S "STAR CHAMBER" PROCEEDINGS.

INSTEAD, HE SENT TWO QUESTIONS INTO THE HEARING ROOM FOR HER TO ANSWER. THE FIRST DEALT WITH THE TYPE OF CUSTODY IN WHICH OSWALD'S WIFE, MOTHER AND TWO CHILDREN WERE HELD AFTER THE ASSASSINATION; THE SECOND WITH MARINO OSWALD'S STATEMENTS TO HER MOTHER-IN-LAW LATE ON NOV. 22, AFTER OSWALD HAD BEEN CAPTURED.

HIS INTENT, LANE SAID, WAS TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE 22-YEAR-OLD

WAFE OF THE EX-MARINE SHARPSHOOTER HAD BEEN "BRAINWASHED" WHILE UNDER

THE GOVERNMENT'S PROTECTIVE SECLUSION.

THE OLDER MRS. OSWALD SAID MARINA WAS TAKEN TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS ON THE AFTERNOON OF THE ASSASSINATION, AND LATER TOLD HER MOTHER-IN-LAW:

"MOMMA, THEY ASKED ME IF LEE OWNED A GUN, AND I TOLD THEM, YES."

THE OLDER WOMAN THEN SAID MARINA TOLD HER THE POLICE SHOWED HER

THE ITALIAN MADE CARBINE FOUND ON THE SIXTH FLOOR OF THE TEXAS SCHOOL
BOOK DEPOSITORY IN DALLAS, WHERE OSWALD WORKED, AND ASKED IF THAT
WEAPON WAS OSWALD'S GUN.

THE DAUGHTER-IN-LAW'S REPLY, AS QUOTED BY THE OLDER WOMAN, WAS:
"MOMMA, I TOLD THEM I DID NOT THINK SO, BECAUSE IT DID NOT LOOK
LIKE LEE'S GUN."

IN HER FOUR DAYS OF TESTIMONY LAST WEEK BEFORE THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION, HEADED BY CHIEF JUSTICE EARL WARREN, THE YOUNG WIDOW TESTIFIED THAT THE WEAPON NOW IN FBI CUSTODY WAS, IN FACT, THE WEAPON THAT OSWALD BOUGHT BY MAIL ORDER IN MARCH AND KEPT AT THEIR HOME.

LANE'S OTHER QUESTION--INTENDED, HE SAID, TO SHOW THAT THE FAMILY OF OSWALD WAS DETAINED INVOLUNTARILY--PRODUCED TESTIMONY FROM THE MOTHER THAT ALL FOUR--THE TWO WOMEN AND MARINA'S TWO SMALL DAUGHTERS--WERE KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE IN A MOTEL.

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WASHINGTON--FIRST ADD FIRST LEAD MRS. OSWALD (A235) XXX MOTEL.
ON NOV.27, MRS. OSWALD SAID, SHE TRIED TO LEAVE THE MOTEL BY
A BEDROOM DOOR. AS SHE STEPPED OUTSIDE--ACCORDING TO LANE'S
ACCOUNT OF HER TESTIMONY--TWO AGENTS SEIZED HER, ONE BY EITHER
ARM, AND TURNED HER AROUND, ESCORTED HER INSIDE AND CLOSED THE
DOOR.

ONE THEN WENT TO A TAPE RECORDER AND MADE AN ORAL REPORT ON THE INCIDENT, LANE QUOTED THE WOMAN AS SAYING.

ALTHOUGH LANE IS NOT THE ATTORNEY REPRESENTING MRS. OSWALD IN THE HEARINGS, HE WAS RETAINED BY HER FOUR WEEKS AGO TO REPRESENT HER SON'S INTERESTS. HE HAS BEEN DELIVERING LECTURES AND SPEECHES FROM COAST TO COAST, ATTACKING THE METHODS AND FINDINGS OF FEDERAL INVESTIGATORS.

LANE LEFT THE COMMISSION'S OFFICES HALF AN HOUR AFTER THE AFTERNOON SESSION BEGAN, AND HELD A 30-MINUTE NEWS CONFERENCE IN HE LOBBY. HIS ACCUSATIONS--"A SMALL PART," HE SAID, OF THE SPEECHES HE IS MAKING--INCLUDED THESE:

1. THAT A PARAFFIN TEST REPORT, IN THE HANDS OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF DALLAS COUNTY, INDICATES THAT OSWALD DID NOT FIRE A RIFLE THAT DAY. THERE WERE NO NITRATE TRACES ON OSWALD'S FACE, LANE SAID, AS THERE WOULD HAVE BEEN IF A RIFLE HAD BEEN FIRED. NITRATE PARTICLES WERE FOUND ON HIS HANDS.

WHEN ASKED WHETHER HE WAS SAYING THAT OSWALD DID NOT FIRE THE SHOTS THAT KILLED KENNEDY AND WOUNDED GOV. JOHN CONNALLY OF TEXAS, LANE REPLIED, "NO ONE CAN SAY THAT."

2. THAT MEDICAL EVIDENCE INDICATES THE REATS WERE FIRED FROM IN FRONT OF THE PRESIDENT'S CAR, INSTEAD OF FROM THE BUILDING, WHICH STOOD TO THE REAR AND RIGHT.

THIS DISPUTES THE EVIDENCE OF THE AUTOPSY REPORT ON THE WOUNDS,
BUT LANE SAID HE RELIED ON THE ORIGINAL REPORTS OF THREE DOCTORS
WHO EXAMINED THE PRESIDENT BEFORE HE DIED IN PARKLAWN MEMORIAL
HOSPITAL. THE AUTOPSY REPORT INDICATED THAT A WOUND IN THE FRONT
OF THE THROAT WAS AN EXIT WOUND, RATHER THAN AN ENTRY WOUND, AS
ASSUMED IN THE ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION.

- 3. THAT IF THERE ARE FINGERPRINTS AND PALMPRINTS ON THE RIFLE, "THEY MUST BELONG TO CAPT. FRITZ OF THE DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT."
- LANE SAID HE HAD A COPY OF AN AFFIDAVIT FROM A WITNESS WHO SAID HE SAW FRITZ PICK UP THE RIFLE AND HANDLE IT AT POLICE HEADQUARTERS.
 - 4. THAT FOUR DALLAS NEWSPAPER REPORTERS--HE NAMED ONLY ONE, MARY WOODWARD--WHO WERE CLOSE TO THE SCENE REPORTED THAT THE SHOTS SOUNDED AS IF THEY CAME FROM THE OVERPASS AHEAD OF THE PRESIDENTIAL MOTORCADE, INSTEAD OF FROM THE OTHER DIRECTION.
 - 5. THAT THE IDENTIFICATION OF OSWALD--AS THE MAN WHO, DURING HIS FLIGHT FROM THE ASSASSINATION SCENE, SHOT PATROLMAN J.D. TIPPIT--IS IN DISPUTE, BECAUSE ONE EYEWITNESS SAID THE ASSAILANT WAS A SHORT, STOCKY MAN.

MRS. OSWALD APPEARED WITH LANE AT THE COMMISSION OFFICES THIS
MORNING. SHE HAD ASKED THE COMMISSION TO HAVE A LAWYER
APPOINTED FOR HER, BECAUSE LANE WOULD BE ABSENT "ON OTHER BUSINESS."

THE "OTHER BUSINESS" WAS THE LECTURE TOUR. LANE SAID HE WAS IN LOS ANGELES YESTERDAY, AND IS RETURNING THERE TONIGHT, BUT CANCELED AN APPEARANCE SCHEDULED FOR TODAY BEFORE THE LOS ANGELES CITH COLLEGE CHAPTER OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION.

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THE COMMISSION ASKED THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BAR ASSOCIATION TO NAME A LAWYER, AND IT DESIGNATED JOHN F. DOYLE, FORMER ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY HERE. HE APPEARED WITH HER YESTERDAY, AND REPEAREDLY COUNSELED HER AGAINST TALKING TO REPORTERS UNTIL AFTER HER SWORN TESTIMONY IS FINISHED.

LANE SAID HE ASKED TODAY WHETHER HE WOULD BE ALLOWED TO SIT IN AND REPRESENT HER JOINTLY WITH DOYLE, BUT DOYLE REPLIED

THAT HE HAD BEEN RETAINED "IN THE ABSENCE OF COUNSEL," AND THAT,

IF LANE CAME INTO THE CASE, HE WOULD BE OBLIGED TO STEP OUT. LANE
SAID HE, THEREFORE, WITHDREW.

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