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# FUNDS WIRED TO OSWALD

## Western Union Recalls Sending Message Prior to Assassination

Lee Harvey Oswald received small amounts of money via Western Union for several months prior to the assassination of President Kennedy, The Times Herald learned Saturday.

He sent a telegram himself—printed in a curious, crowded script—only a few days before the tragic afternoon.

Oswald was remembered at Western Union because he invariably argued with those persons who assisted him.

The sender of the sums of money

—ranging up to \$10 or possibly \$20 at a time—was not known. Neither was the recipient of Oswald's message. Presumably, the FBI is investigating all messages involving both Oswald and his slayer, Jack Ruby, prior to the tragic weekend.

### MESSAGES RECALLED

Oswald's messages at Western Union were recalled after he was shown on television.

This latest aspect of the case was revealed to The Times Herald at a time when hordes of federal agents were searching out all available clues and President Lyndon B. Johnson was appointing a potent presidential commission to investigate both the assassination and the slaying of the assassin.

The FBI already had been instructed to collect all available evidence and report it. In Washington, the Justice Department said Saturday it could not say anything at this time.

### PROBE CONTINUING

"The investigation is continuing and all questions will be answered in the final report, but they will not be answered piecemeal.

"The report specifically will say what the FBI knew about Oswald.

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who might have said what to the Dallas police, or who said what to whom and when."

President Johnson has appointed a top-level bipartisan commission headed by Chief Supreme Court Justice Earl Warren.

The commission also includes Sen. Richard B. Russell, Democrat of Georgia; Sen. John Sherman, Republican of Kentucky; Rep. Hale Boggs, Democrat of Louisiana; Rep. Gerald Ford, Republican of Michigan; former Central Intelligence Agency Director Allen Dulles and former disarmament advisor John J. McCloy.

It is not known at the moment how this will affect plans for a court of inquiry as announced by Texas Atty. Gen. Waggoner Carr. The presidential commission, however, seems to have obviated the need for one or more congressional investigating committees.

#### MOVEMENTS RE-ENACTED

In preparation for its report to the Justice Department, the FBI Friday re-enacted movements of the fatal motorcade past the Texas School Book Depository Building.

Agents had done this Wednesday. The question Friday seemed to be the exact trajectory of the high-powered bullets believed fired by Oswald from a window of the building.

The prior activities of Jack Ruby, the nightclub operator who rushed up last Sunday in the basement of City Hall and sent a fatal bullet into Oswald, also are being sifted.

Saturday, it appeared as if both prosecution and defense were agreeable for a postponement of the Dec. 9 trial date into February.

#### MUCH TO BE DONE

Ruby's attorney, Tom Howard, said there is "much work to be done" in the case, both from defense and prosecution standpoints. He said an agreement on postponement because of work in reached on Dec. 9. The district attorney's office previously has indicated it may ask for postponement because of work in preparation of the case and the prospect of attempting to empanel a jury before Christmas.

Attorney Howard recalled earlier this week that his client informed him he had been in the Western Union office — only a short distance from the City Hall basement — minutes prior to the slaying of Oswald.

Ruby told his lawyer that a blonde known as "Little Lynn" had called him earlier Sunday and asked for \$25 to pay room rent. Ruby related to Howard that he drove past the assassination site, parked on a lot at Main and Expressway and wired the \$25 to "Little Lynn." He said he walked the short distance to the Main Street entrance of the City Hall basement. Time of transmission on the money was 11:16 a.m. and the shooting of Oswald was timed at 11:21 a.m. Sunday.

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