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HERBERT BOBROW, liquor store operator, 794 McAllister Street, San Francisco, California, residence, 560 Arlington, San Francisco, advised as follows:

BOBROW said that he was acquainted with RUBY, whom he knew as "SPARKY," having met him sometime in the early 1930's in San Francisco. They were both from the same neighborhood in Chicago but were not acquaintances in that city. BOBROW resided with RUBY and his sister, EVA CRANT, for about one year when they lived in an apartment located at 345 Jones Street, San Francisco. This residence occurred approximately 1936.

BOBROW worked with RUBY as a newspaper subscription salesman for the San Francisco "News," a daily newspaper. RUBY may have been employed in a similar capacity by other San Francisco newspapers. They were part of a group of young men who came from Chicago to San Francisco at approximately the same time and did similar work in San Francisco. His immediate circle of friends numbered about fifteen.

At the time of his residence with RUBY at the aforementioned address, RUBY's sister, EVA, had a son named RONNIE, approximately five years of age, residing with them.

He said that RUBY was a well-mannered, likeable individual who was soft-spoken and meticulous in his dress and appearance. He has never known RUBY to have engaged in any illegal activity, and RUBY never expressed an interest in any type of political activity, particularly anything of a "radical" nature.

BOBROW identified RUBY with the Dallas killings as a result of reading news articles concerning these incidents. He said he probably never would have recognized RUBY's photograph in the newspaper, since he has not seen or heard from RUBY since approximately 1939. He advised he was aware that RUBY was in Dallas, having heard this from some of his San Francisco acquaintances. He stated that RUBY was known only as JACK RUBINSTEIN when he was in San Francisco.

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ROBERT LEE SHORMAN, 332 Magnolia Avenue, Long Beach, California, advised he knew JACK RUBY at the Carousel Club in Dallas, Texas, prior to about May, 1962. Prior to this date SHORMAN was a band leader who worked at the Carousel Club. At about the time the relationship between SHORMAN and RUBY terminated, RUBY attempted to have SHORMAN invest about \$6,000 in RUBY's business. RUBY offered to make SHORMAN a partner. SHORMAN stated he wanted no part of this deal as he had heard RUBY had had many partners in the past, but that these individuals had realized no return on their investment. Because of this and because of RUBY's general bad temper, these individuals had gradually broken with RUBY. SHORMAN did not know the names of any of these former partners of RUBY.

SHORMAN advised that on one occasion, date not remembered, he observed RUBY and another individual, not known to SHORMAN, beat a patron at the Carousel with their fists and throw him down the stairs at the Carousel Club. SHORMAN did not observe the patron after his eviction, did not know the extent of the injuries inflicted, if any, or the outcome of this matter.

SHORMAN advised that the patron, who was evicted from the Carousel Club, was a well dressed middle-aged man, possibly a businessman, who had gotten into an argument at the bar in the Carousel. SHORMAN did not know the cause of the argument, but thought it might have concerned an overcharge.

SHORMAN did not know who helped RUBY but assumed him to be an off-duty police officer as he did not know him to be an employee of the Carousel. This individual was in civilian clothes and SHORMAN said he could not imagine another patron coming to RUBY's assistance. SHORMAN stated he also observed that police officers either on duty or off duty did not pay for their drinks. He felt that because of this a police officer would feel obligated to assist RUBY.

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