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Mr. GILES MILLER, 3415 Westminister, University Park, Texas, residence 3416 St. John's Drive, Highland Park, Texas, furnished the following information:

In approximately the fall of 1959, he met JACK RUBY through a former business associate of his, MILLER, J. G. "JACK" SCHATZ.

He advised SCHATZ told him that RUBY was a friend of his who he wanted MILLER to meet. He said he and SCHATZ went to the Sovereign Club and while there, in conversation with SCHATZ, he recalls RUBY saying that he had been exiled from Chicago and although he wanted to go to California, he had been directed to come to Dallas.

MILLER advised he did not pay too much attention to the foregoing conversation as RUBY impressed him as a "typical Chicagoan".

He said subsequent to the meeting with RUBY, he received a membership card to the Sovereign Club and thereafter, visited the club on six or seven occasions, the last time being in April or May of 1960. He said he only recalls seeing RUBY in the club on three or four of these occasions.

MILLER advised RUBY appeared to be trying desperately to get people with money, or influence to join his club.

MILLER advised he recalls seeing BLACKIE SHERRARD, a sports writer with one of the Dallas newspapers at the Sovereign Club on one occasion.

MILLER advised he does not recall ever having seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD with RUBY or at the Sovereign Club.

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ARTHUR DOUGLAS COHEN, permanent residence 10450 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, part owner of Douglas Furniture Corporation, 1920 East Maple, El Segundo, California, was interviewed in his hotel room at the Reef Hotel, Honolulu, where he is currently vacationing.

COHEN advised that he was in the furniture business in Chicago, Illinois, for many years up to November, 1951, when he moved to Los Angeles, California. At a time, best recalled as sometime between 1938 and 1945 and extending over a period of five to ten years (he was unable to fix this period more accurately), COHEN was acquainted with SPARRY RUBENSTEIN, then age thirty, who has since been identified by him through newspaper photographs as identical with JACK LEON RUBY. COHEN first met RUBENSTEIN as a customer in the same barbershop which both regularly patronized at the corner of Lawndale and 12th Streets in Chicago. The two barbers in that shop, HARRY GELBART and HARRY STURNER, were well acquainted with RUBENSTEIN in those days and are believed to know his closer friends in that period.

The barbershop was frequented largely by persons active in sports and had a long line of regular customers. Through this contact and frequent contacts through the five to ten years, COHEN came to know RUBENSTEIN as only a casual acquaintance and had no separate social contacts except on occasion having a drink together in a nearby cocktail lounge. COHEN emphasized that RUBENSTEIN only had soft drinks on these occasions and was never known to either drink, smoke, or curse. He apparently resided with his family somewhere on Independence Boulevard near Harrison Street section in the so-called eastside of Chicago, while COHEN resided about one mile distant on the "Westside." COHEN never had occasion to visit RUBENSTEIN'S home nor meet members of his family.

The two barbers are both presently in business and residing in the Beverly Hills, California area. HARRY GELBART who is considered the "Number One Barber in Beverly Hills," operates the Rothschild Barbershop on Beverly Drive, while HARRY STURNER is associated with either the Beverly Hilton Barbershop

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or Comb and Shears Barbershop, both located in the Beverly Hilton Hotel or in the latter-named shop at its Beverly Drive location.

COHEN recalled that RUBENSTEIN left Chicago ahead of his own departure prior to 1951, approximately 1948, and at the time indicated he was going to Dallas, Texas, to run a bar for an older sister.

During this period in Chicago, RUBENSTEIN was never known to be regularly employed but was like some other younger men who frequented the above barbershop, a so-called "hustler," buying various merchandise items such as watches at special prices and reselling at discount prices. He was described as good looking, dapper, clean-cut, a person of very good manners, and very gentlemanly with women on the few occasions COHEN observed him in female company.

Specifically, COHEN was never aware of any association by RUBENSTEIN with any known or suspected hoodlum elements nor was he ever suspected of any un-American sympathies or affiliation with any suspected leftist or extreme rightist groups.

COHEN never attended the same school with RUBENSTEIN since they resided in different neighborhoods, and they did not meet until after RUBENSTEIN was out of school. COHEN believes that at one time RUBENSTEIN aspired to being a prize fighter, but he was never known to have entered into training. RUBENSTEIN could suggest no close acquaintances or friends of RUBENSTEIN pointing out that his only known associates were others patronizing the barbershop, but he believed that the two barbers, above, could provide further information on RUBENSTEIN's closer associates in that period.

Following his last contact with RUBENSTEIN in Chicago about 1948, COHEN had never seen or heard about him until the news story broke regarding his shooting of OSWALD.

COHEN recalled that one AL GOLDEN, an employee of the Westube Corporation at 10450 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles,

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in discussing this case, commented that he and RUBY had been kids together in Chicago; at one time got in a fight, and RUBY had "beat the hell out of him." COHEN pointed out that GOLDEN and RUBY were apparently from the same neighborhood although he had not known GOLDEN during the period he, COHEN, resided in Chicago.

In reading of the OSWALD slaying, COHEN had the feeling that this act by RUBY was completely out of character since, in his opinion, he had always been a "gentleman's gentleman." He added that RUBY was always a good talker and a person of very affable nature with lots of personality and one who made friends very easily, so it was understandable that he could have ingratiated himself with members of the Dallas Police Department.

COHEN advised that he has never had cause to believe RUBY was emotionally unstable or had any psychiatric problems during the period he knew him in Chicago, but he recalled that one occasion when they were talking together in the Glass Hat Cocktail Lounge, Chicago, with RUBY having a soft drink, they were discussing the fighter JOE LOUIS, and RUBY made a serious remark that he could hit harder than LOUIS. From the odd look on RUBY's face, COHEN chose to walk away and leave him since he felt that RUBY might even seek to prove his point, and he did not want to chance a disturbance. This was the only instance when he considered RUBY reflected an unstable temperament.

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