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Department, officers did not challenge him as "they" would never have considered him capable of shooting anyone.

Miss TAYLOR related that "RUBY is a nice guy once you get to know him; however, he is different."

DON ELWOOD LEASURE was interviewed at The After Glow, at which time LEASURE was advised of the identity of the interviewers as Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He was advised that he did not have to make a statement and that any statement he did make could be used against him in a court of law. He was advised of his right to consult an attorney.

LEASURE was asked whether he was acquainted in any way with JACK RUBY or GEORGE SENATOR, whereupon he advised that in 1955 when LEASURE came to Dallas he met JACK RUBY at RUBY's club, the Carousel, in Dallas. LEASURE further advised that he met GEORGE SENATOR at the Saugger Bar located at 4840 Gaston. LEASURE stated that his acquaintance with JACK RUBY has been very casual and he has not had occasion to go to the Carousel or the Vegas Clubs very often. He noted that his current employee, JUNE RIPSKEY, was formerly employed as a dancer by JACK RUBY approximately four or five years ago. LEASURE advised that Mrs. RIPSKEY was recently interviewed by FBI Agents concerning her employment by RUBY.

LEASURE stated that he did not know and never met LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and he never observed OSWALD prior to seeing his picture in the Dallas press following the assassination of President KENNEDY. LEASURE never observed JACK RUBY or GEORGE SENATOR in the company of LEE HARVEY OSWALD at any location at any time.

LEASURE furnished the names of the following persons whom he claimed are acquainted with JACK RUBY:

JIM BARETT,  
Operator of the Joker Restaurant,  
6102 East Mockingbird Lane,  
Dallas, Texas;

on 12/12/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 44-1639  
by Special Agent# WILLIAM G. BROOKHART and  
GEORGE T. BINNEY /gmf Date dictated 12/12/63

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Mr. JAMES C. BARRAGAN,  
Operator of the Town Pump,  
5021 West Lovers Lane,  
Dallas, Texas;

MILTON JOSEPH,  
Wholesale Jeweler,  
National Bankers Life Building,  
Dallas, Texas;

TONY ZOPPI,  
News Columnist,  
Dallas Morning News,  
Dallas, Texas.

Mr. JULIAN EDGAR KAHN, II, also known as DUDE KAHN, was contacted at his place of residence, Apartment 3584H, Lincolnwood Apartments, located on Inwood Road, Dallas, Texas, telephone AL 6-5013, at which time he advised that he is the roommate of SIDNEY SIMS. He stated that SIDNEY SIMS was not at home at that time but expected him sometime the following day. Mr. KAHN further advised that SIDNEY SIMS had mentioned to him that the FBI had contacted his mother, name unknown, in relation to the assassination of President KENNEDY and the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He related that he was not aware if SIDNEY SIMS had been a close friend of JACK RUBY nor could he give any information regarding SIMS association with either RUBY or OSWALD. He stated that SIDNEY SIMS would be home the following day and that he would have him contact the FBI Office, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. KAHN continued on to say that although he knew of no association between SIDNEY SIMS and RUBY, he personally has been acquainted with JACK RUBY for approximately nine years. He stated that he could not recall the exact circumstances surrounding the meeting of RUBY; however, he could recall that he was introduced to RUBY by an individual known to him as JOE JOHNSON, a local musician. KAHN stated that he was attempting to work his way up in the musical business and for this reason had become quite friendly with several of the night club owners around Dallas. He was aware that JACK RUBY was the owner of the Carousel and the Vegas Club and in connection with this felt that RUBY would be an excellent contact for musical business.

Mr. KAHN stated that "one thing lead to another" and finally sometime around 1956 he began working in the band that was employed at the Vegas Club. He went on to say that his employment at RUBY's club lasted approximately three months and was terminated around 1956 when KAHN decided to travel the country. KAHN advised that he could not recall any specific incidents that took place during his employment with RUBY and stated that it was just another musical job. He stated that RUBY at one time had written an article in the "Dallas After Dark" column of the "Dallas Morning News" concerning KAHN and what a good musician he was. After the article had appeared RUBY made it a point to advise KAHN that the article cost him

on 12/6/63 at Dallas, Texas File # DL 44-1639

by Special Agents ALTON E. BRAMBLETT and  
LANSING P. LOGAN - gj Date dictated 12/7/63

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