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Title: LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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Synopsis:

Reinterviews of Mr. and Mrs. HORACE TWIFORD, Houston, Texas, indicate OSWALD believed to have telephoned TWIFORD residence between 7 and 9 PM prior to 9/26/63. Ticket agents at Continental Trailways bus terminal, Houston, Texas, could not recall selling ticket to OSWALD. Records of this company indicate only one ticket sold between 9/24/63 and 9/26/63 for travel between Houston and Laredo. HENRY OTIS CHENYORTH, Jasper, Texas, denied making any statement that he had any information regarding assassination of President KENNEDY. CHENYORTH stated there is "remote possibility" he made statement he would learn who assassinated the President, but if so, such statement was made "in jest." CHENYORTH stated did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD and had never engaged in shooting practice in area of Dallas or Grand Prairie, Texas.

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DETAILS: AT HOUSTON, TEXAS:

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The following investigation was conducted in an effort to develop specific information concerning the time and date that LEE HARVEY OSWALD was in Houston, Texas, during his reported travel from New Orleans, Louisiana, to Laredo, Texas, on September 25, 1963 - September 26, 1963. It was previously reported that OSWALD was in New Orleans on September 25, 1963, and that he boarded a Continental Trailways bus at 2 AM on September 26, 1963, at Houston, Texas, traveling on this bus from Houston to Laredo, Texas.

On January 6, 1964, HORACE TWIFORD, 7018 Schley, Houston, Texas, advised he and his wife ESTELLE TWIFORD had searched further in their records in an effort to determine the exact date on which Mrs. TWIFORD had received a telephone call from an individual who identified himself as LEE HARVEY OSWALD. TWIFORD stated he and his wife had located a slip of paper which had been used by Mrs. TWIFORD on the evening on which she received the above telephone call, and this slip of paper carried a notation of OSWALD's name and contained the words "Fair Play for Cuba Committee." TWIFORD stated his wife had made these notations on this slip of paper in order to remember to mention this telephone call to TWIFORD when he returned home from duty on a merchant vessel which was then traveling between Houston and other Gulf Coast ports.

TWIFORD stated he could recall that while on a coast-wise trip as a seaman during September, 1963, he made a quick trip from New Orleans, Louisiana, to Houston, Texas, by air in order to visit his wife. TWIFORD stated to the best of his recollection he made this trip to Houston on September 26, 1963, and his wife mentioned to him at that time of having received the telephone call from OSWALD.

On January 7, 1964, Mrs. ESTELLE TWIFORD, 7018 Schley, confirmed the above information and stated she had also been attempting to recall more specifically the time at which she received the telephone call from OSWALD which she previously reported. Mrs. TWIFORD stated she feels sure this telephone call was received after dark but

not in the late evening. She stated if this call had been received at 10:00 PM or 11:00 PM, she would have considered this fact unusual and believes she would have recalled it. Mrs. TWIFORD stated the best she could do toward fixing the hour of this call was to estimate that it was received in the period between 7:00 PM and 9:00 PM.

The following investigation was conducted in an effort to locate an employee at the Continental Trailways bus terminal, Houston, Texas, who might recall having sold a ticket to LEE HARVEY OSWALD:

The following investigation was conducted by SA PAUL W. HUCKERLEDE:

On the dates indicated, the following Continental Trailways ticket agents in Houston, Texas, were interviewed but none could recall selling a ticket to LEE HARVEY OSWALD:

1/10/64	ROBERT STEVENSON 8909 Lockwood
1/9/64	RAY DYAL 7901 Easton
1/9/64	MORGAN LAIRD, JR. 9234 Tallyho
1/9/64	BILL PRATT 5806 Dryad

On January 9, 1964, ANN LINDSEY, 2243 Harwell Lane, Houston, Report Clerk, Continental Trailways, Houston, advised that for the period September 24 through September 26, 1963, one ticket, numbered 112230, was sold from Houston to Laredo, Texas, for \$11.50. She advised this was the only ticket sold from Houston to Laredo during these dates, and there were no tickets sold through to Mexico City.

Miss LINDSEY stated the portion of the above ticket retained by Continental Trailways Bus Company was subsequently mailed to the Dallas office of that company for permanent filing. She stated there should be rubber stamp impressions on this ticket stub which would show the date on which the ticket was sold and the identity of the employee who sold it.

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HENRY OTIS CHENYWORTH, Route 2, Box 171, was advised of the identity of JOHN T. KELLY as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, that he did not have to make any statement, that any statement he made might be used against him in a court of law, and that he had the right to the services of an attorney. No threats or promises were made to CHENYWORTH, who furnished the following information:

He was born April 27, 1943, in Troy, Texas, and served in the U. S. Air Force from September 9, 1960, until November 2, 1961, when he received a General Discharge under Honorable Conditions. Since his discharge from the Air Force, he has been employed in approximately twenty-five or thirty different jobs and has never held steady employment. His most recent employment was at Strangi Manufacturing Company in Dallas, Texas, until approximately two weeks ago. Prior to that period, during the month of November, 1963, he was employed by the Thompson Tool Company, 2328 Langford, Dallas, Texas.

On November 22, 1963, the day of the assassination of President JOHN F. KENNEDY, he recalls being at work at the Thompson Tool Company as he remembers listening to the reports of the assassination on the radio in the company shop. He worked all day Friday, November 22, 1963, was off on Saturday and Sunday, which is customary at this firm, and then he did not go to work on Monday, November 25, 1963, as he recalls watching the Presidential burial on television, at the residence of E. R. COLLIER, 306 East 7th Street, Dallas, Texas. To the best of his recollection, he returned to Jasper, Texas, on Tuesday, November 26, 1963, to stay with his stepbrother, JOE WILLIAMS, who was ill, and after staying in Jasper for two days he returned to Dallas, Texas.

He denies making any statement concerning or implying that he had any information as to who killed the President, or a statement that he did not know whether he would be around by morning as he might be in jail. He stated there is a remote possibility he might have said

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"I bet I will know who did it by morning," in regard to who might have killed KENNEDY, but stated if he said this then the statement was made in jest as he does not recall saying this and could not see why he would have made this statement as he "would have no way in the world of finding out who did it."

He advised that he did not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD, nor did he have a gun or do any practice shooting in Dallas, Texas. He does not know where the practice range is near Grand Prairie and stated he never practiced on this area.

CHENYWORTH has no ill feeling toward KENNEDY and thought it "terrible that he was assassinated."

The following description was obtained by observation and interview:

Name	HENRY OTIS CHENYWORTH
Born	April 27, 1943, Troy, Texas
Race	White
Height	6'3"
Weight	160 pounds
Eyes	Hazel
Hair	Brown
Social Security No.	450-66-5211
Army service number	AF 18 60 16 65
Education	Completed high school in service
Residence	Route 2, Box 171, Jasper, Texas
Marital status	Single
Occupation	Unemployed

On 1/3/64 at Jasper, Texas File # HO 105-1291
 by SA JOHN T. KELLY:yk Date dictated 1/3/64

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