

Money Gifts to Tippits Near \$200,000 Mark

DALLAS (UPI)—Money kept pouring in Monday from all over the country for the widow and three children of the police officer slain trying to seize accused assassin Lee Harvey Oswald. It was trickling in for Oswald's widow.

Counters and auditors worked through mere sacks of mail for Mrs. Marie Tippit at police headquarters with the weekend figure at \$174,538. A running total, to be confirmed later, put the amount now received at almost \$200,000.

The Internal Revenue Service said no decisions had been made on taxation of donations. A spokesman said, however, there was one big contribution the 32-year-old Mrs. Tippit would not have to worry about. The check for more than \$12,000 sent by Walter Annenberg, publisher of the Philadelphia Inquirer, to pay

her mortgage was free and clear to her and she will not pay taxes on it, the IRS said.

Mrs. Shirley Williamson, a Fort Worth housewife who felt compassion for the widowed Mrs. Oswald and her two babies, said the fund for the Russian-born 23-year-old widow had reached \$7,000.

Mrs. Williamson said she had received \$103 today for Mrs. Oswald.

Mrs. Oswald and her babies, 8 weeks old and 22 months old, were under the protection of the Secret Service.

Mrs. Tippit and her three children, Allen, 14; Brenda, 19, and Curtis Ray, 4, were home, mourning their loss and still overwhelmed by the outpouring of gifts from grateful Americans.

The gifts continued to come in such volume that police did not refer to letters but to "sacks of mail."

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Oswald's Widow Reported Hoping To Be U. S. Citizen

FT. WORTH, Dec. 7 (UPI)—Marina Oswald, widow of the suspected assassin of President Kennedy, was quoted Friday as saying she wants to become an American citizen.

Mrs. Oswald, 23, Russian-born mother of three, burst into tears when she learned that at least \$7700 had been sent to her by sympathetic Americans.

Mrs. Shirley B. Williamson, part-time private investigator and housewife, headed a drive to raise money for Lee Harvey Oswald's widow and children.

An agent, who has Mrs. Oswald and her children under guard and in hiding, was quoted by Mrs. Williamson:

"She said that she didn't believe the people in America, the people anywhere, could be this nice."

The agent reportedly said she is a "very nice, highly-intelligent woman who is enthusiastic to learn the ways of America. She wants to be an American and continue to live here."

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