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Detective JAMES R. LEAVELLE, Homicide and Robbery Bureau, Dallas, Texas Police Department, furnished the following information in addition to that he furnished on November 24, 1963:

On November 24, 1963, at about 11:15 a.m., Captain WILL FRITZ ordered the start of the transfer of LEE HARVEY OSWALD to the Dallas County Sheriff's Office. OSWALD was handcuffed and then handcuffed to his left wrist. Detective M. C. GRAVES had hold of OSWALD's left arm and they proceeded from the third floor of the Dallas Police Building to the basement via the jail elevator. After leaving the elevator they proceeded across the jail office and went through the east door of the jail office. As they left the jail office door the crowd of reporters had pushed forward to about six or seven feet from them. He saw a man who he recognized as someone he knew (and later learned the man was JACK RUBY), out of the corner of his eye and RUBY jumped from the crowd and at the same time bring a gun up. RUBY appeared to take two steps towards OSWALD and when he saw this, he jerked OSWALD back which caused him to spin slightly and RUBY shot OSWALD in the left side of his stomach. At the same time that RUBY fired the shot he grabbed RUBY's left shoulder and pushed him back and down and put himself between RUBY and OSWALD. Other officers subduing RUBY and he helped carry OSWALD back into the jail office.

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He first met RUBY about 1951 when RUBY owned the Silver Spur. At that time he worked the area of the Silver Spur and would make routine checks of this place. He was always treated by RUBY with all respect due an officer. He never associated with RUBY on a social level and does not know any of RUBY's close friends. He did not know anything regarding RUBY's background other than being the owner of a Dallas night club or has he ever heard RUBY discuss his political beliefs. He knew RUBY carried a gun in the Silver Spur but this was legal. RUBY never carried a gun on the street to the best of his knowledge.

About six months ago he received an anonymous call that the Vegas Club which was owned by RUBY, was going to be hi-jacked. He and his partner went down to the Vegas Club and stayed about 1½ hours. RUBY came in and asked what was going on but did not seem overly concerned. This

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hi-jacking never materialized. He has seen RUBY on the street occasionally but it was only a casual meeting and nothing of importance was ever discussed. RUBY has always been very friendly and casual every time they have met. RUBY has invited him to his place for free dinners but he has never accepted. He has never worked for RUBY or does he know of any other police officer who has.

He estimated that at the time he arrived in the basement with OSWALD there were about 150 people in the basement, this including officers and newsmen. He did not recognize anyone in the basement other than police officers with the exception of the before-mentioned facts about RUBY.

He understood that the uniform division had cleared the basement of all unauthorized personnel before they started transferring OSWALD. He did ask Captain FRITZ if the car to be used in transferring OSWALD would be directly in front of the small hallway leading from the jail office. Captain FRITZ said it would be. He did not know or see any police officer identify any individual in the basement as he was not present when these individuals were admitted to the basement.

He never saw RUBY between November 22 and 24, 1963, in fact he believes that the last time he saw RUBY was in October and this was while he was driving by RUBY's Carousel Club, and RUBY was just going in. He does not know of any association between OSWALD and RUBY. He was never present while OSWALD was being interviewed nor was he present while RUBY was being interviewed by the Dallas Police officers. He was instructed on November 25, 1963, to assist in the transfer of RUBY to the Dallas County Jail. On their way down in the jail elevator he said to RUBY, "JACK, in all the years I've known you, you've never deliberately caused any police officer any trouble that I know of and you didn't do us any favor when you shot OSWALD. You've really put the pressure on us." RUBY replied, "That's the last thing in the world I wanted to do. I just wanted to be a damned hero and all I've done is foul things up."

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