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HARRY JACK GOLDBAUM, 4642 North 8th Drive, telephone 279-3932, who is a real estate developer for self, advised he has known JACK RUBY for about 30 years. He said he and RUBY grew up in the same neighborhood on West Side of Chicago, and RUBY attended John Marshall High School at same time as GOLDBAUM'S wife.

GOLDBAUM said RUBY is known in Chicago as "Sparky" because of his volatile disposition and inclination to fight at least provocation, although RUBY was usually friendly and well-liked in neighborhood.

GOLDBAUM said he soon moved from the neighborhood, but heard from now unrecalled sources that RUBY became active in 24th Ward Democratic politics. He knew of no actual employment of RUBY in Chicago, but said RUBY seemed to be always well off financially, and former friends often wondered where he obtained his income.

GOLDBAUM said he further recalls having heard from unrecalled source that RUBY and other unknown persons formerly engaged in approaching couples parked in cars at Stickney, Illinois, and shining flashlights in cars. They would then reportedly "shanke down" the male occupant, leaving the implication that RUBY and friends might be police officers.

GOLDBAUM advised RUBY'S main hangout in Chicago was Lawndale Pool Room on Roosevelt Road east of Independence Boulevard, and believed RUBY would be well-known at this location.

GOLDBAUM stated he lost track of RUBY after moving to Phoenix in 1945, but later heard from a mutual acquaintance that RUBY had moved to Dallas. He said that when he and his family were en route from Memphis to Dallas in December, 1957, he recalled this information, and telephoned RUBY, who visited him and family at a Dallas motel. RUBY indicated he had moved to Dallas to make money, and told GOLDBAUM he was doing well operating a night club. He claimed he had some difficulty with hoodlums who frequent his type of establishment, but was able to take care of them.

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GOLDBAUM said he last saw RUBY about three months ago, when in Dallas on business. He went to the Carousel during the afternoon, and walked upstairs to RUBY'S office, at which time he heard RUBY shouting in extremely vile and filthy language at a Negro carpenter. RUBY quietened down when he entered the office, and GOLDBAUM remained there talking with RUBY for about one hour. During this time, RUBY was taking care of three small dogs for an unknown doctor, and had dogs in the office. The female dog was in heat, and RUBY told GOLDBAUM he would show him something interesting. RUBY then proceeded to sexually excite one of the male dogs by masturbation. GOLDBAUM objected, and told RUBY to cease as it was making him sick.

GOLDBAUM said he has not seen or heard from RUBY since last visit to Dallas.

GOLDBAUM said he knows of no Un-American sympathies or activities on part of RUBY, and advised RUBY always expressed himself as ardent supporter of late Presidents ROOSEVELT and KENNEDY. He knew of no hoodlum associates of RUBY, but believed it possible he may have been associated with hoodlums in Chicago.

GOLDBAUM said he does not know LEE HARVEY OSWALD, and knows of no association between OSWALD and RUBY.

He further knew of no close associates or friends of RUBY in Phoenix area, and does not know of RUBY ever having even visited this area.

GOLDBAUM advised that CHILE PANITZ, a "box man" at Thunderbird Hotel, Las Vegas, formerly worked in Dallas, and is believed to be a close acquaintance of RUBY.

GOLDBAUM is of the opinion that shooting of OSWALD was motivated by anger of RUBY because of assassination of late President, and of the opinion that RUBY probably mentally unbalanced at times, as exhibited during dog incident in RUBY'S office.

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