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This was CAMPISI's explanation of why RUBY had over \$2,000 in his pocket at the time of his arrest on November 24, 1963. CAMPISI stated that when it was announced that RUBY had shot LEE HARVEY OSWALD, this announcement did not surprise CAMPISI based on his knowledge of RUBY and RUBY's temperament.

CAMPISI stated that RUBY made a practice of becoming acquainted with all police officers and he, RUBY, would cooperate with the police in the operation of his night club. CAMPISI stated RUBY did this for his own protection as police officers would, at RUBY's request and cooperation, keep undesirable characters and prostitutes out of RUBY's club. Police officers would also advise RUBY whenever he would hire a girl to work as a stripper who also had a record for prostitution. CAMPISI was of the opinion RUBY gained entrance to the City Hall basement on November 24, 1963, through this friendship with ^{his} knowledge of numerous Dallas police officers.

CAMPISI stated that he has been in RUBY's clubs, both the Carousel on Commerce Street and the Vegas on Oak Lawn Avenue, numerous times and he had never observed LEE HARVEY OSWALD at either place. He had never heard RUBY ever mention anyone by the name of LEE or LEE HARVEY OSWALD or G. D. LEE or ALEK HIDEELL.

CAMPISI was asked to identify persons that he knew were acquainted with RUBY. He again stated that RUBY would be known to every night club operator and beer hall operator in Dallas and probably numerous Dallas businessmen. When asked if RUBY was ever known to partake in gambling CAMPISI stated he had never heard of RUBY ever gambling or engaging in bookmaking either as a bookie or a person placing bets. CAMPISI did state that RUBY was acquainted with Dallas gamblers JOHNNIE ROSS PATRONE, BOBBY CHAPMAN, RUSSELL DOUGLAS MATTHEWS and JIMMY VOURIS. He also stated that he was of the opinion RUBY was acquainted with known Dallas police character MARVIN RALPH PRESTRIDGE. He also stated that he had never observed RUBY at any time "flash" the money he was carrying. CAMPISI estimated that the receipts from RUBY's club would easily total over \$2,000 in any one week.

CAMPISI advised he would attempt to ascertain the name of RUBY's former girl friend and immediately furnish same to the FBI.

Patrolman JOHN WAYNE BARNETT, Dallas Police Department, Northwest Sub-Station, 2828 Shore Crest Drive, Dallas, furnished the following information:

He stated he has known of JACK RUBY for an unrecalled period of time and that he operated the Carousel Club. Continuing, he stated prior to his assignment to the Northwest Sub-Station, he worked District 114 out of the downtown station, and while on duty one evening, approximately one and one-half years ago, specific date unrecalled, he met JACK RUBY for the first time with two unknown individuals, attempting to enter the Top Hat Club, a "private Negro Club," located on Hall and Thomas Streets. BARNETT related that he stopped RUBY and his companions and "asked them to leave, as they had no business in that club." BARNETT advised that "RUBY stated he would, and returned to a parked car with the two unknown individuals." BARNETT stated that he then left the area of the Top Hat Club and returned approximately ten minutes later to find the car that RUBY and his companions had gotten into parked in front of the Top Hat Club, and thus assumed that "they had returned and gone into the club." BARNETT stated he did not enter the club to contact RUBY the second time inasmuch as the Top Hat is a private club and he could not enter.

BARNETT related that he also worked District 104, which covers the downtown area, a short time before being assigned to the Northwest Sub-Station. He continued that while on duty, he occasionally entered the Carousel Club to make a "check." He advised that whenever he entered the Carousel Club, RUBY would offer him coffee or cokes. He further advised that RUBY on some occasions would appear to be "overly friendly" and on other occasions would say nothing to him. He stated that RUBY, in his opinion, was the type that liked to be "in the spotlight." He said he never saw RUBY lose his temper, and that RUBY never asked favors of him. BARNETT advised he had heard that RUBY did not permit his "girls" to go out with any of the police officers, but could not elaborate further.

BARNETT related that in his contact with RUBY, he never conversed with him at great length. He further related that to his knowledge, he has never heard of RUBY being interested in political affairs or being a member of a political or any other type of organization.

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BARNETT advised that he was not assigned to the "detail" regarding the transfer of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and that he did not see the shooting. He further advised that he has never worked for RUBY, stating that Dallas police regulations prohibit officers to work anywhere liquor is sold.

BARNETT related he last saw JACK RUBY approximately nine months ago and has never seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD. BARNETT continued that he does not know RUBY well enough to comment on RUBY's character or stability.