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ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY

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Nancy Powell, 1217 Clarence Street, Fort Worth, Texas, advised on August 17, 1964, that she has performed in the past in a strip-tease act at the Carousel Club in Dallas, Texas, when that club was operated by Jack Ruby. Upon viewing photographs of Bernard Weissman and J. D. Tippit, Miss Powell stated that she has never seen either Weissman or Tippit in a meeting together at the Carousel Club with Jack Ruby or anyone else. She does not know Weissman or Tippit.

On August 7, 1964, Mrs. Marie Tippit, 238 Glencairn, Dallas, advised that she is the wife of deceased Dallas Police Officer J. D. Tippit, who was killed on November 22, 1963. Mrs. Tippit viewed two different photographs of her late husband which had been obtained on August 6, 1964, from the Dallas Police Department, and she noted that the photograph of her husband in plain street clothes was taken in 1952, and the other photograph of Officer Tippit in a policeman's uniform was a snapshot taken in 1957. She noted that the latter photograph is the better likeness of her deceased husband. Mrs. Tippit stated that she has no additional good photographs of her husband as he had always neglected having a studio photograph made of himself.

Mrs. Tippit advised that Bernard Weissman is unknown to her, and she does not recall her husband ever having mentioned his name or having known such an individual.

On December 16, 1963, Gayle M. Tippit, Detective, Special Service Bureau, Dallas Police Department, advised that he first began working for the Dallas Police Department in 1950, and soon thereafter, he met Jack Ruby, who was at that time operating the Silver Spur Night Club at 1717 South Ervay, in Dallas. Tippit was assigned to this area, and it was his duty to periodically check the Silver Spur, which was a combination dance hall and beer tavern. During this period of time, he became very well acquainted with Jack Ruby. He noted

The President's Commission, by letter dated May 12, 1964, requested a limited background investigation be conducted concerning Patrolman J. D. TIPPIT of the Dallas Police Department, who was allegedly killed by LEE HARVEY OSWALD on November 22, 1963.

PARENTS AND EFFORTS TO VERIFY BIRTH OF J. D. TIPPIT

On May 15, 1964, KENNETH SHEPHERD, Red River County Clerk, Clarksville, Texas, advised that he had no record in the County Clerk's Office reflecting the marriage of EDGAR LEE TIPPIT to LIZZIE MAE RUSH, who was the first wife of EDGAR LEE TIPPIT, father of J. D. TIPPIT.

On May 15, 1964, Mrs. EDITH FOWLER, District Court Clerk, 102nd Judicial District, Clarksville, Texas, advised that in Book 8, Page 317, of divorce records there was a petition filed June 14, 1943, by LIZZIE MAE TIPPIT, who was seeking a divorce from EDGAR LEE TIPPIT.

Mrs. FOWLER stated that this divorce action was dismissed on November 4, 1946, at the request of the plaintiff.

Mrs. FOWLER stated there was no other record of any divorce action on the part of LIZZIE MAE TIPPIT or of EDGAR LEE TIPPIT, and there had been no divorce granted in Red River County or in the 102nd Judicial District Court.

Mrs. FOWLER did point out that in the petition of LIZZIE MAE TIPPIT filed June 14, 1943, that Mrs. TIPPIT spelled her name TIPPIT and in the petition answered by the defendant, EDGAR LEE TIPPIT, TIPPIT signed, in his own handwriting, his name and

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spelled it TIPPIT. However, in the dismissal action, the names were spelled EDGAR LEE TIPPETT and LIZZIE MAE TIPPETT.

Mrs. FOWLER also stated there had never been any action by either J. D. TIPPIT or EDGAR-LEE TIPPIT to change the spelling of the name TIPPIT and the differences in the spelling were that of typographical errors.

On May 15, 1964, LEWIS RICKETTSON, Assistant Lamar County Clerk, Paris, Texas, advised that in Volume 44, Page 77, of Lamar County Marriage Records, is reflected the marriage of EDGAR LEE TIPPIT on September 14, 1944, to Mrs. MARY LEE DANIEL. The marriage was performed by Justice of the Peace W. L. COLLINS.

On May 15, 1964, LEWIS RICKETTSON, Assistant Lamar County Clerk, Paris, Texas, advised that he had no record of the birth of J. D. TIPPIT in the birth records of Lamar County, Texas.

RICKETTSON also checked the delayed birth records with negative results.

On May 15, 1964, KENNETH SHEPHERD, Red River County Clerk, Clarksville, Texas, advised he had no record in the regular or the delayed birth records of Red River County for J. D. TIPPIT.

EDUCATION

On May 15, 1964, C. L. REED, Justice of the Peace, Clarksville, Texas, advised he had no record of any arrest for EDGAR LEE TIPPIT or any member of his family.

Judge REED pointed out that he had known of the EDGAR LEE TIPPIT family for many years and knew of J. D. TIPPIT. He pointed out that in the early 1950's J. D. TIPPIT worked on his father's farm in the southern section of Red River County

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near the Lamar County Line. He stated it was very possible that at this time the TIPPITS may have received their mail on a rural route out of Deport, Texas.

Judge REED also stated that he had known that J. D. TIPPIT had attended the Veterans Administration Vocational School held in Clarksville, Texas, in the early 1950's.

On May 15, 1964, Mrs. ILLA MAE MORONEY, Secretary to the Red River County School Superintendent, Clarksville, Texas, advised the records of the Red River County School System were very incomplete, but that she did locate a record reflecting that J. D. TIPPIT, the son of EDGAR LEE TIPPIT and LIZZIE MAE TIPPIT, was enrolled at the Russell Chapel School near Annona, Texas. The birth date on this registration card in 1934 was September 18, 1924. There was no place of birth listed and Mrs. MORONEY pointed out that Russell Chapel, which is no longer in existence, was very near Annona, Texas, and it was very possible that J. D. TIPPIT was born in that area.

A check was made by Mrs. MORONEY into the records of Red River County Vocational School, which was sponsored by the Veterans Administration, and these records reflect that J. D. TIPPIT, Veterans Administration Number C-15 430 214, enrolled in the school on January 14, 1950, and discontinued his training June 11, 1952. The reason for the discontinuance of the education was "Moved to Dallas". J. D. TIPPIT followed the training of "General Farming" and his address, at this time, was listed as Route 1, Deport, Texas, where he was self-employed on a few acres of land.

Mrs. MORONEY also stated there was a registration card for J. D. TIPPIT at the Fulbright, Texas, High School, but there were no records located. Fulbright is in Red River County, Texas, and is located very near Route 1, Deport, Texas.

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VERIFICATION OF MARRIAGE AND INTERVIEW WITH
WIFE, MARIE FRANCES TIPPIT, NFE GASAWAY

On May 15, 1964, KENNETH SHEPHERD, Red River County Clerk, Clarksville, Texas, advised that Book Y, Page 617, of the Red River County Marriage Records, reflects that J. D. TIPPIT married MARIE GASAWAY on December 26, 1946, in Clarksville, Texas. The marriage was performed by the Reverend Mr. J. CLARK MARTIN.

On May 15, 1964, Mrs. J. D. TIPPIT, 238 Glenclair, Dallas, Texas, voluntarily furnished the following:

Mrs. TIPPIT's maiden name was MARIE FRANCES GASAWAY and she was born October 25, 1928, in Red River County, Texas. On December 26, 1946, at Clarksville, Texas, she married J. D. TIPPIT. Her husband had served in the United States Army, in the Paratroopers, from July 21, 1944, through June 30, 1946, and had Army Serial Number 386 31 821.

As a result of this marriage, the TIPPITS had three children, namely, CHARLES ALLEN TIPPIT, born January 1, 1950, at Clarksville, Texas; BRENDA KAY TIPPIT, born June 5, 1953, at Dallas, Texas; and, CURTIS GLENN TIPPIT, born December 10, 1958, at Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. TIPPIT stated this was the only marriage for either her or her husband. Her husband was allegedly shot and killed November 22, 1963, by LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

Shortly after their marriage, they moved to 1533 Hickory Street in Dallas, Texas, and her husband went to work for the Dearborn Stove Company in Dallas in late December 1946. In February 1947 they moved to 2826 Kings Road, where they lived for about a year, when they moved to 623 West Commerce Street, Dallas. In February or March 1948 her husband was employed installing rock wool by Sears Roebuck and Company and

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remained employed by them until September 1949. At that time, they moved near the small farming community of Lone Star, Texas, where her husband attempted to raise cattle from then until June 1952. In June 1952 they moved to 3115 Desseau, Dallas, where they lived until November 1953. For about a month after moving back to Dallas, her husband was employed as a carpenter's helper and at a steel company doing odd jobs. In July 1952 he went to work as a patrolman for the Dallas Police Department.

In November 1953 they moved to a residence at an unrecalled number on Woodin Street, where they stayed about a month. They then moved to a house, number unrecalled, on Fordham Road, where they resided until June 1954, at which time they moved to a house, number unrecalled, on Brooklyn Street, where they resided until December 1955.

In December 1955, the TIPPITS purchased a house at 1919 Glenfield, where they resided until November 1961. This house is still owned by Mrs. TIPPIT and is being rented by her at the present time. In November 1961, because of their growing family and the need for a larger house, they purchased the residence at 238 Glenclair.

Mrs. TIPPIT recalled that her husband had gone through the tenth grade in school and then attended a Veterans Administration-sponsored school at Bogata, Texas, for a time and resided at Lone Star, Texas.

The TIPPITS have unlisted telephone number CA 4-2294 and have had it since they moved into their present residence in November 1961. They had obtained unlisted service because J. D. TIPPIT, many times, would be working at night and disgruntled people to whom he had given traffic citations would call and complain to Mrs. TIPPIT about her husband having given them a ticket.

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She stated that for the past two or three years, in addition to his regular work as a patrolman, TIPPIT had worked at Austin's Barbecue on West Illinois Avenue every Friday and Saturday night from 10:00 P.M. until 2:00 A.M. He had been so employed to act as a deterrent to potential trouble-making teenagers who hang out at Austin's. He had also worked every Sunday afternoon from 2:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M., in the same capacity, at the Stevens Theatre in the Stevens Park Shopping Center. He would also occasionally work extra at football games on Saturday afternoons in the "Cotton Bowl."

Mrs. TIPPIT stated her husband's only associates were fellow police officers and that the only people she and her husband associated with other than other police officers and their wives were relatives.

J. D. TIPPIT had a great fondness for fishing, but, due to his work, had been unable to do much fishing during the past two years. During the summer of 1963 he had taken up water skiing whenever he had the opportunity. The reason he was working at two extra jobs was that the TIPPITS needed money to pay off the extra bills they had incurred when they purchased their present residence.

Whenever her husband was not working, he would spend all of his time at home, either working in the yard, playing with his children, or having friends over. He liked to listen to country and popular music and never was serious or had any serious discussions about anything with his associates. He very seldom discussed politics and never discussed political personalities. When he would go anywhere it would always be with some member of the family. Whenever he had free time on Sundays he would attend the Beckley Hills Baptist Church. Whenever he visited relatives he enjoyed playing dominoes with his father or brothers. Mrs. TIPPIT recalled that her husband had voted for JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY in the election of 1960.

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Concerning November 21, 1963, Mrs. TIPPIT advised her husband returned home straight from work, arriving about 4:00 P.M., as he and fellow police officers and neighbor BILL ANGLIN wanted to install a wheel bearing in Mr. TIPPIT's 1953 Ford. ANGLIN and TIPPIT did install this bearing, working from about 4:00 P.M. until about 6:00 P.M., at which time he and the rest of his family had dinner. After dinner, Mrs. TIPPIT, along with her son, CURTIS GLEN, went to a "pre-school meeting" and her husband "baby-sat" with the two remaining children. When Mrs. TIPPIT arrived home at about 9:00 P.M., her husband and the other two children were already in bed asleep.

Mrs. TIPPIT stated she and her husband had a joint checking account at the Wynnewood State Bank listed as "J. D. or MARIE TIPPIT".

Mrs. TIPPIT stated she never heard her husband mention anyone by the name of JACK RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD. She never heard her husband mention ever having been in any night club in Dallas and, specifically, any of those operated by JACK RUBY. She stated her husband never attended any meetings of any kind, including police association meetings. She again repeated that when her husband was not working he would spend his time at home, and if he did go any place it was always either with her and the rest of the family or with one of the children.

EMPLOYMENT

On May 15, 1964, Chief of Police JESSE E. CURRY, Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, made available a copy of Officer J. D. TIPPIT's personnel file.

Chief CURRY stated this copy included everything in TIPPIT's personnel file since the time he was first employed by the Dallas Police Department, Dallas, Texas, until the present time.

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On May 15, 1964, Sergeant CALVIN B. OWENS, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, residence 1830 Melbourne, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information concerning J. D. TIPPIT:

OWENS has been employed by the Dallas Police Department for twenty-three and one-half years and had known J. D. TIPPIT since about 1952, when TIPPIT came to work at the department. OWENS had been TIPPIT's immediate supervisor for about ten years.

On November 22, 1963, TIPPIT was assigned, alone, to patrol District 78, which is an area bordered by the Trinity River on the east and northeast, Southerland Avenue on the northwest, Sunnyvale and Keats Streets on the west, and Loop 12 or Ledbetter on the south. Sergeant OWENS explained that assignment of officers to an area does not restrict them to that area, in cases of emergency, and, due to the extreme emergency of November 22, 1963, numerous patrol units were assigned to different areas. Sergeant OWENS cited, for example, that units assigned to Districts 95 and 81 had been sent to the downtown area of Dallas immediately after the shooting of President KENNEDY. According to Sergeant OWENS, Officer TIPPIT had gone home to eat lunch, which was a normal and approved procedure, at about noontime. Sergeant OWENS advised he could not furnish any information as to when or how TIPPIT's assignment from District 78 had been changed as he, OWENS, had gone to lunch and had not returned during the time that TIPPIT's assignment had been changed.

TIPPIT had been assigned to District 78 for about six months to a year and had previously been assigned to patrol Districts 83 and 84 for three years. His assignment in each case was to patrol the area.

OWENS described TIPPIT as a morally upright person and a person about whom he had never heard anything derogatory. Sergeant OWENS rated TIPPIT as an average officer in work

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performance, who was well-liked, used good common sense and, as such, was a "good officer". According to OWENS, TIPPIT had off-duty, part-time jobs at Austin's Barbecue and Stevens Park Theatre and, because of this, "didn't have time to do any wrong." TIPPIT was a devoted family man, who spent what free time he had either at home or with relatives. TIPPIT was well-liked by all the other officers. OWENS did not know of any outside associates of TIPPIT and it appeared that the only associates he had were other police officers. TIPPIT appeared to be resigned to the fact that, because of his limited education, he would be unable to advance very far within the Police Department, and TIPPIT appeared satisfied with his work. OWENS stated he believes TIPPIT took promotional examinations, but had no information as to the results, but believes that the lack of promotion was due to a lack of education.

OWENS was of the opinion TIPPIT had always been assigned to the Oak Cliff and West Dallas areas.

OWENS described TIPPIT as a quiet, shy person and he never heard TIPPIT discuss politics or political personalities.

OWENS was unable to furnish any information concerning TIPPIT's outside activities or leisure activities. He did describe TIPPIT as the most honest, straightforward, morally upright, family-loving man he, OWENS, had ever known. He was a good officer who liked his job and tried to do a good job.

OWENS stated he never heard TIPPIT mention either JACK RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD or ever mention having been in any of RUBY's night clubs. OWENS stated he has known RUBY for ten to twelve years and has had numerous conversations on an official basis with RUBY while RUBY was operating night clubs in the Dallas area. He stated RUBY was the type of person who would use another officer's name he had met when talking to officers, and RUBY never mentioned J. D. TIPPIT to OWENS. RUBY never mentioned LEE HARVEY OSWALD to OWENS. OWENS stated he had never

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heard of LEE HARVEY OSWALD prior to November 22, 1963.

On May 15, 1964, AUSTIN COOK, residence 1823 Ferndale, Jallas, Texas, owner of Austin's Barbecue, 2321 West Illinois, Jallas, advised that Dallas Patrolman J. D. TIPPIT had been employed by COOK for about three years at the time TIPPIT was shot and killed on November 22, 1963. TIPPIT had been employed to work from 10:00 P.M. until 2:00 A.M. every Friday and Saturday night as a deterrent to any potential teen-age trouble. Mr. COOK explained that large numbers of teen-agers hang out at his drive-in on these nights.

Mr. COOK advised he was a member of the John Birch Society but he had never discussed politics or political personalities with TIPPIT. He stated it was his impression that TIPPIT did not appear interested in politics. He advised he had never heard TIPPIT mention JACK RUBY or any of RUBY's night clubs or LEE HARVEY OSWALD. COOK stated the only people who contacted TIPPIT while he was at work were relatives or members of his family. He stated TIPPIT had obtained this extra job in order to pay off bills at his new home and to help support his family.

COOK described TIPPIT as a "fine and ideal policeman, of good morals and who was conscientious and did a good job." COOK explained that after TIPPIT was killed, teen-agers who had known TIPPIT at the drive-in donated \$300.00 to \$400.00 which they gave to COOK, who in turn gave it to Mrs. TIPPIT.

On May 15, 1964, LOUISE HILL, Personnel Department, Sears Roebuck and Company, Dallas, Texas, advised her records show J. D. TIPPIT was employed by that company from March 24, 1948, until May 8, 1948, when he voluntarily resigned. There was no other reason listed for his resignation. TIPPIT was rehired May 17, 1948, by Sears Roebuck and Company and was so employed until September 6, 1949, when he was laid off due to a reduction of labor force by the company. His work record was listed as satisfactory. His address was listed as 623 West

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Commerce Street, Dallas, and his birthdate as September 18, 1924. He was employed in the Installation Department. TIPPIT's wife, MARIE FRANCES TIPPIT, residence 623 West Commerce, was employed in the Mail Order plant of Sears Roebuck and Company from October 21, 1948, until December 20, 1948. Her birthdate was listed as 1928 and there was no reason given for her leaving her employment.

On May 15, 1964, C. E. LONGYEAR, Personnel Manager, Dearborn Stove Company, 3000 West Kingsley Road, Garland, Texas, advised his records show that J. D. TIPPIT was employed by that company throughout the entire year of 1947 and until March 1948. Mr. LONGYEAR stated he could find nothing in his records to indicate that TIPPIT was employed in 1946, but he presumes he started his employment at the company in late 1946. No reason was listed for TIPPIT's leaving the employment of Dearborn Stove Company and his work record was listed as satisfactory. His residence was listed as 1533 Hickory, Dallas, Texas. Mr. LONGYEAR stated there was no other information in his files concerning TIPPIT.

ASSOCIATES

On May 15, 1964, MORRIS H. BRUMLEY, 3024 Sage Valley Lane, Dallas, Texas, a detective assigned to the Criminal Intelligence Squad, Special Service Bureau, Dallas Police Department, voluntarily furnished the following concerning J. D. TIPPIT:

BRUMLEY has been employed as a police officer since February 1950. He first became acquainted with J. D. TIPPIT in 1934 when both attended school at Fulbright, Texas. TIPPIT's future wife, MARIE FRANCES GASAWAY, attended the same school. TIPPIT quit school after his sophomore year as it appeared to be a "struggle" for him to make passing grades. BRUMLEY stated he next saw TIPPIT after World War II. TIPPIT had served in the 17th Air-borne Division of the United States Army as a volunteer.

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In 1951 or 1952 BRUMLEY saw TIPPIT again after TIPPIT had become an officer at the Dallas Police Department. In his application TIPPIT had listed BRUMLEY as an officer with whom he was acquainted. BRUMLEY stated he never socialized with TIPPIT and that TIPPIT always worked in the Radio Patrol Division and was assigned to the Oak Cliff and West Dallas areas. BRUMLEY stated he knew of no outside acquaintances of TIPPIT and he had no information concerning TIPPIT's outside interests, associates, or attitudes. He did know that TIPPIT liked to go fishing. From what he knew of TIPPIT, BRUMLEY described him as a good family man who spent his leisure time at home and who was very conscientious about his job and his family. BRUMLEY stated he never discussed politics or political personalities with TIPPIT and he never had any indication of any radical beliefs or tendencies on the part of TIPPIT.

BRUMLEY stated he never heard TIPPIT mention LEE HARVEY OSWALD or JACK RUBY and because of his area assignments BRUMLEY was of the opinion that TIPPIT would never have been in a position to have any contact whatever with JACK RUBY.

BRUMLEY stated that in his official capacity as a police officer, both as a Radio Patrol officer and during the time he was assigned to the Vice Squad, he has known JACK RUBY since 1950 and has talked with RUBY on numerous occasions. He stated he has been in the Silver Spur and The Vegas (two night-clubs operated by RUBY) in an official capacity on numerous occasions. BRUMLEY stated RUBY is the type of person who would "drop" names of officers he had known and/or met to other officers. He never heard RUBY mention J. D. TIPPIT or LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He never saw TIPPIT or OSWALD in any of RUBY's nightclubs.

BRUMLEY stated that based on his knowledge of TIPPIT, TIPPIT was not "sharp enough" to pass promotional examinations given by the Police Department, nor did he have enough formal education to pass the departmental examinations. He stated

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TIPPIT was not overly ambitious and appeared to be satisfied in the work he was doing as a patrolman. He stated TIPPIT always appeared to have good common sense and was a very steady type person who was easy to get along with.

BRUMLEY stated that Patrolman BASEL ROBINSON was assigned to the Oak Cliff substation and was believed by BRUMLEY to be a good friend of TIPPIT.

On May 15, 1964, BASEL ROBINSON, Patrolman, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, residence 4547 Cedar Path, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information concerning J. D. TIPPIT:

ROBINSON had known TIPPIT for about fifteen or sixteen years, having met him when both were self-employed farmers near Bogata, Texas. In 1951, ROBINSON moved to Dallas and, in 1952, was employed by the City of Dallas as a police officer. After joining the department, he would return to the Bogata area to see relatives and, on several occasions, would visit with J. D. TIPPIT. TIPPIT was very inquisitive about employment with the Police Department and it was through his contacts with ROBINSON that he subsequently quit farming in 1952, moved to Dallas, and joined the Police Department in the summer of 1952. ROBINSON was of the opinion that TIPPIT's wife was also from the Fulbright, Texas, area. He also was of the opinion that TIPPIT had lived and worked in Dallas prior to farming near Bogata.

ROBINSON stated he had been a close associate of J. D. TIPPIT since 1952, both at work and as a close personal friend of TIPPIT and TIPPIT's family. TIPPIT had very few outside interests because he was working all the time. He had, in addition to his regular work as a patrolman, off-duty jobs at Austin's Barbecue and at the Stevens Park Theatre. TIPPIT liked to fish and hunt but, because of his working hours, had very little time for these. ROBINSON stated he had no information concerning any religious affiliation of TIPPIT but

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recalls TIPPIT, on several occasions, stating he wanted to attend Sunday School more than he had, but could not because of his working hours. ROBINSON advised he would not describe TIPPIT as a deeply religious person.

TIPPIT never discussed politics at all with ROBINSON, nor did he ever discuss any political personalities.

TIPPIT would have an occasional beer, but ROBINSON never saw him intoxicated.

TIPPIT spent all of his free time at home with his family and ROBINSON described him as a very good family man, a good officer, a conscientious person, with good common sense and a good sense of humor. ROBINSON stated TIPPIT was a quiet, easygoing person, who enjoyed his family and loved his wife. He was devoted to his job, improvement of his home, and the raising of his family.

According to ROBINSON, TIPPIT took promotional examinations given by the Police Department, but apparently never passed any as he never advanced. TIPPIT appeared to be satisfied in the work he was doing as a patrolman and liked being outside. ROBINSON could recall TIPPIT mentioning only two or three times during sixteen years that he, TIPPIT, ever went to a nightclub and on each occasion this was with his wife. ROBINSON never knew of TIPPIT spending any time in bars, saloons or "honky-tonks."

ROBINSON was of the opinion that TIPPIT was assigned to the Oak Cliff area in the Radio Patrol Division during practically all of his years as a police officer. ROBINSON never heard TIPPIT mention JACK RUBY or LEE HARVEY OSWALD. ROBINSON never heard TIPPIT mention ever having been in any of RUBY's night clubs.

ROBINSON was on duty at the City Jail on November 22, 23 and 24, 1963, and on these days had occasion to see LEE

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HARVEY OSWALD and JACK RUBY following their arrests on November 22 and 24, 1963, respectively. While OSWALD was in jail, ROBINSON never heard him mention J. D. TIPPIT. While RUBY was in jail, ROBINSON never heard him mention J. D. TIPPIT.

ROBINSON had no information concerning any associates of TIPPIT outside of the Police Department. The only persons he ever observed in TIPPIT's house or associating with the TIPPITS were either relatives or other police officers and their wives.

CHECK OF TOLL TELEPHONE CALLS CHARGED TO
RESIDENCE TELEPHONE

On May 18, 1964, records of the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, Dallas, Texas, reflect the following toll calls charged to CA 4-2294, which is the non-listed telephone service of J. TIPPIT at 238 Glencairn, Dallas. This telephone service was installed November 20, 1961, on a transfer order from prior service at 1919 Glenfield where TIPPIT had telephone number FE 7-7679:

<u>DATE AND TIME</u>	<u>PLACE AND NUMBER CALLED</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
9/26/63 - 10:11 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
10/17/63 - 8:49 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
11/22/63 - ----	Fort Worth, Texas, WA 3-1303	
11/22/63 - ----	Garland, Texas, BR 8-3269	

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<u>DATE AND TIME</u>	<u>PLACE AND NUMBER CALLED</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
11/29/63 - 8:03 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
11/30/63 - ----	Collect from "DWIGHT GASAWAY" at Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
No calls in December 1963		
1/15/64 - ----	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, CE 5-0511	To "MAE PETERSON" St. Anthony's Hospital
1/19/64 - 4:42 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
1/19/64 - 4:47 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
1/21/64 - 7:00 P.M.	Garland, Texas, BR 6-8214	
1/24/64 - ----	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239, from "Mrs. TIPPITT" at FL 1-1754, bill CA 4-2294	
2/7/64 - 7:02 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
2/22/64 - ----	Collect from WARREN BOX, Monterrey, California, at 372 exchange	

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3/8/64 - 10:38 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	
3/13/64 - ----	Collect from "MARY LEE TIPPITT" at Clarksville, Texas, 417-9909 - to "MARIE TIPPITT"	
3/21/64 - 10:23 P.M.	Greenville, Texas, GL 5-4239	

CHECK OF BANK ACCOUNT

On May 18, 1964, records of the Wynnewood State Bank, 501 Wynnewood Village, Dallas, Texas, revealed a joint checking account (#90-033) was opened in the name of "J. D. or MARIE TIPPIT, 238 Glenclairn, Dallas, Texas," on May 11, 1956.

Review of Recordak film reproductions of statements on this account for the period July 1, 1963, to December 31, 1963, inclusive, failed to reveal any large or unusual deposits or withdrawals. During the last six months of 1963, the high balance in the account was \$561.01 and the low balance was \$14.84. The average balance during the same period was a low three-figure amount, as evidenced by service charges four out of six months due to the balance falling below \$200.00.

The records failed to reveal a savings account or safe-deposit box rental in the name of J. D. or MARIE TIPPIT.

CREDIT

On May 15, 1964, Mrs. BILL WILLIAMS, Manager, Retail Merchants Association, Clarksville, Texas, advised that her files failed to reflect any record for J. D. TIPPIT or his wife,

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MARIE. She stated this was not unusual because she had only been Manager for about two years, and some of the records prior to that time are no longer available.

Mrs. WILLIAMS stated that EDGAR LEE TIPPIT came into her file January 15, 1949, and that his credit was considered very satisfactory. She pointed out there was no mention in the files of TIPPIT's wife.

The files further reflected that EDGAR LEE TIPPIT was 50 years old in 1953 and had been employed at the Lone Star Ordnance Plant, Texarkana, Texas.

Mrs. WILLIAMS stated she knew EDGAR LEE TIPPIT to be the father of J. D. TIPPIT, the murdered police officer from Dallas, Texas.

The records of the Dallas Merchants Retail Credit Association (MRCA) were checked May 15, 1964, by a Special Agent of the Dallas Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and disclosed the following information concerning J. D. TIPPIT:

TIPPIT first became known to Merchants Retail Credit Association on December 19, 1947. His file was last checked on December 20, 1963, for the Shell Oil Company. The last previous check was on August 18, 1958. His wife is listed as MARIE FRANCES TIPPIT and their residence as 238 Glenclair. The files of Merchants Retail Credit Association show the following previous residences and employments for J. D. TIPPIT:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYMENT</u>
December 1947	2826 Kings Road	Dearborn Stove Company
March 1949	623 West Commerce	Sears Roebuck and Company as rock wool installer
November 1952	3115 Desseau	Police officer, Dallas
October 1956	1919 Glenfield	Police officer, Dallas

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>RESIDENCE</u>	<u>EMPLOYMENT</u>
May 1962	238 Glenclair	Police officer, Dallas

The records of Merchants Retail Credit Association show that TIPPIT originally came to Dallas in about 1947 from Clarksville, Texas, and a report from the credit bureau at Clarksville in March 1949 stated that TIPPIT had a satisfactory credit rating in Clarksville. As of 1958 TIPPIT was listed as having a medium two figure checking account at the Wynnewood State Bank, Dallas, and his income was listed as \$360.00 per month as a police officer.

In June 1961 he obtained a loan in the low four figures from the First National Bank, Dallas, which he paid off satisfactorily. In May 1953 he obtained a loan in the low three figures from the Oak Cliff Bank and Trust Company which he paid off satisfactorily. In December 1961 he obtained credit in the amount of \$112.00 at Montgomery Ward and Company, Dallas, which he paid off satisfactorily.

There was no record in the files of Merchants Retail Credit Association of any suits, judgments, or court actions of any kind concerning J. D. TIPPIT or his wife, MARIE FRANCES TIPPIT.

CRIMINAL

On May 15, 1964, GEORGE WHITEMAN, Red River County Deputy Sheriff, Clarksville, Texas, advised there was no record of any arrest of EDGAR LEE TIPPIT, J. D. TIPPIT, or any members of their family.

It will be noted that the Red River County Sheriff's Office is the only police agency that maintains records in Red River County, Texas.

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