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DEAN M. JENNINGS was telephonically interviewed at his employment, Gallo Wine Company, 275 Shaw Road, South San Francisco, California, telephone JU 9-6802. He advised that he lives on a houseboat in Sausalito, California, and uses Box Office Box 591, Sausalito, as his home address.

He was questioned about his acquaintance with JACK RUBY, the man who was alleged to have shot LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the Dallas Police Department. JENNINGS stated he had met RUBY while he, JENNINGS, was employed as a branch manager of the American Guild Variety Artists (AGVA) in Dallas, Texas during 1956 and 1957. JENNINGS stated he may have contacted RUBY in his official capacity, but he was mainly acquainted with RUBY socially. Both he and RUBY belonged to the Musicians Union Club, located in the Musicians Union Building, Dallas, Texas. RUBY, together with JENNINGS, BILL HARRIS and a NORMAN SMITH used to play poker regularly there. JENNINGS stated that he had an honorary membership card but that RUBY appeared to be a regular member although he was not a musician. BILL HARRIS is the President of the Musicians Union and would be very well acquainted with any other persons who might know RUBY. NORMAN SMITH had something to do with Little Theater groups in the Dallas area.

JENNINGS' impression of RUBY was that he was "a night club character." By this, he meant that he was a small time operator who was always on the fringe of going broke but liked to leave the impression that he was a big shot. RUBY had the reputation of being somewhat of a tough guy and had a very bad temper. He appeared to always be playing the part of a junior version of MICKEY COHEN. JENNINGS stated that he had heard that RUBY used to own a night club in Chicago before he moved to Dallas. If this were true, the AGVA in Chicago would be able to tell more about it.

When questioned about OSWALD or any radical inclinations or acquaintances which RUBY may have had, JENNINGS stated that as far as he knows, RUBY was not smart enough to have any radical ideas. He, JENNINGS, did not know OSWALD.

When questioned about the family of RUBY, JENNINGS stated he had never met any family and assumed that RUBY was single inasmuch

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