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KENNETH L. DOWE, who currently resides at 4617 Samuell Boulevard, telephone EV 8-1555, advised he has been employed as a radio announcer for radio station KLIF, Dallas, Texas, since October 23, 1963. Mr. DOWE is 23 years of age and prior to his present employment was employed by radio stations WQXI, Atlanta, Georgia, for ten months; KBOX, Dallas, Texas, approximately eight to ten months; KDEO, San Diego, California, for eight months; WABB, Mobile, Alabama, for six or eight months, and previously was employed while attending college by radio station WHSY, Hattiesburg, Mississippi

DOWE advised the only time to his knowledge that he ever personally met JACK L. RUBY was either on the first or second day of his employment by radio station KLIF, which was October 23, 1963, or October 24, 1963. He recalled he was being "shown around" the radio station by CHUCK DUNAWAY who was then also employed as an announcer by KLIF, and, on this occasion, JACK L. RUBY was engaged in a conversation with an unknown person, who may or may not have been an employee of the radio station, and they were standing in the front lobby of the station. DUNAWAY interrupted RUBY's conversation with the individual to whom he was talking long enough to introduce DOWE to RUBY. He recalls only that RUBY was described by DUNAWAY in this introduction as the owner or proprietor of a Dallas night club and that RUBY invited him to visit his night club.

DOWE advised he has never visited RUBY's night club and has never personally seen RUBY since that time. He also advised he has never seen RUBY in the premises of radio station KLIF since the occasion on which he was introduced to him.

The only occasion on which DOWE ever spoke with RUBY by telephone occurred on Saturday, November 23, 1963, at which time DOWE was on duty from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. During this period RUBY called the station on three occasions, however, it is DOWE's impression that RUBY identified himself by name on only the last two calls. It is his present recollection that on the occasion of the first call which would have been during the early or middle part of the afternoon RUBY was attempting to reach the news service and inquired as to whether the station had any information concerning the transfer of LEE HARVEY OSWALD

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from the Dallas City Jail to the County Jail. He recalls he advised RUBY, who had not at this point identified himself, that he, DOWE, had no such information.

It is DOWE's recollection that on the occasion of the second call RUBY inquired as to whether any of the newsmen from station KLIF were in the vicinity of the Dallas City Hall and on this occasion that the caller identified himself as JACK RUBY. He advised the name JACK RUBY meant nothing to him and he inquired of some other employee of the station, whose identity he does not now recall, "Who is Jack Ruby?" or words to that effect.

On the occasion of the third call from JACK RUBY, it is DOWE's recollection that RUBY again identified himself and was again attempting to reach the news department and told him that he, RUBY, was going personally to the Dallas County Jail, County Building, or City Hall, he does not now recall specifically which, and in the event he, RUBY, obtained any news story, he would recontact the station.

In this connection, it is DOWE's recollection that RUBY mentioned he was acquainted with HENRY WADE and that he felt he could "get a story" from WADE.

DOWE advised he does not know what prompted the telephone calls to this station by RUBY. He is sure that all three calls were made on the station's "hot line" which was at that time Riverside 7-9319, and that all three calls were made on the afternoon of Saturday, November 23, 1963. He explained the "hot line" calls are screened by the station's switchboard operator each weekday until 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday until 12:00 noon. DOWE explained the station's "hot line" is an unlisted telephone number, however, the number is posted at various places in the station, is known by all station employees, and he feels certain it is also known by the immediate families of station employees and by close personal friends of these employees. He said he does not know how RUBY obtained the "hot line" telephone number but he feels relatively sure the number is rather widely known

and its principal purpose is to screen the numerous calls by "youngsters" calling the station to make requests for the playing of certain musical records from other telephone calls.

DOWE advised as of November 23, 1963, on which date these calls were received from JACK RUBY, he, DOWE, was not well acquainted or familiar with the locations of the Dallas City Hall or County Buildings, and he is not now certain with respect to the third telephone call from RUBY which of these public buildings RUBY indicated he was going to visit. Regardless of which building RUBY indicated he would visit, he did not indicate what he planned to do at that building but merely stated he would call the station again if he secured a news story.

DOWE advised that on Friday, November 22, 1963, it is his present recollection he would have been on duty as an announcer at this station from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and that being a new employee, he was present at the radio station from approximately 10:00 a.m. to at least 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, November 23, 1963, he was on duty at this station from 12:00 noon to 6:00 p.m. and was "on the air" during this period and was probably in the station for some time prior to 12:00 noon familiarizing himself with the operation of the station. On Sunday, November 24, 1963, he recalls that he went to the home of CHUCK DUNAWAY who was then also employed as an announcer by station KLIF and that upon arrival at DUNAWAY's home he was advised that he, DUNAWAY, had just witnessed on television the shooting of LEE HARVEY OSWALD by JACK RUBY. It is his recollection that he spent practically all day on Sunday, November 24, 1963, at the DUNAWAY home.

DOWE advised information previously furnished by him was possibly misleading regarding the number of visits of JACK RUBY to the premises of radio station KLIF, however, he is presently positive he has never seen RUBY at this station except on the occasion of his introduction to him.