

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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JULIAN EVANS, 1910 Prytania Street, New Orleans, Louisiana, was interviewed at his place of residence, and supplied the following information:

The first time that EVANS met the OSWALD family was one day, exact date and time unknown, while EVANS was in the Covington area. He said that at that time LEE HARVEY OSWALD was approximately seven years old. EVANS and his wife, MYRTLE EVANS, maintained a friendship with the OSWALDs, who, at that time he believed resided in a house on Alvar Street, New Orleans, which was owned by Mrs. OSWALD. Subsequently, Mrs. OSWALD sold her house at Alvar Street he believed, and then moved in with her sister, address unknown. He advised that in approximately May of 1954, Mrs. OSWALD and her son, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, moved into 1454 St. Mary Street, apartment six, where they resided until approximately November, 1954. He stated that at that time, namely May, 1954, Mrs. OSWALD decided to move from the upstairs apartment because the rent was too high. He advised that she took an apartment next door at 1452 St. Mary Street and resided in that apartment until approximately May, 1955. He advised that at the time OSWALD lived at the above residences, which are owned by him, LEE HARVEY OSWALD appeared to be a head strong, boisterous individual. He stated that on occasions he would holler in a loud tone of voice to his mother. He advised that he could not recall, nor could he make out the exact language he did use when he had arguments with his mother.

He advised generally OSWALD appeared to be a quiet fellow who did not associate much with the neighbors. He said he could not remember any close associates which OSWALD had during the period of time he resided at 1454 and 1452 St. Mary Street. He advised that recently he mentioned to some of the neighbors in that area, as well as the grocery store owners, that OSWALD had resided at the above addresses, but none of these people could recall him. He advised that he never noticed any of the literature which OSWALD did read, nor did he ever hear him make any comments regarding either the Communist or Marxist philosophy. He advised he never knew of any incident where OSWALD was involved in any fights in the neighborhood, although he recalls one time when OSWALD came home from school apparently suffering from an injury which he assumed OSWALD suffered as a result of a fight.

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EVANS advised that he had no indication from any of OSWALD's actions while he was a young boy, that he was in any way disloyal to the United States.

EVANS recalled that his wife had told him that MARGURITE OSWALD was married twice. He recalled that his wife informed him that at the time LEE HARVEY OSWALD's father, who was MARGURITE's second husband, died, MARGURITE OSWALD was about seven months pregnant with LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He advised that his wife also had told him that when MARGURITE OSWALD went out for an evening, she would leave LEE with a babysitter (name and address unknown), and when Mrs. OSWALD would return, she would notice that LEE had welts on his body which he apparently received as a result of a beating.

EVANS advised that in approximately May of 1955, the OSWALD family moved from the apartment they occupied at 1452 St. Mary Street, and moved to an apartment on Exchange Place in New Orleans, exact address unknown. He advised he hadn't seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD from the time that he left 1452 St. Mary, until about the Spring of 1963, exact date unknown, when OSWALD returned to New Orleans.

In the spring of 1963, exact date unknown, LEE HARVEY OSWALD came to his home looking for an apartment. He stated that his wife, MYRTLE EVANS, answered the door and asked him if he recalled LEE HARVEY OSWALD. He advised that he did remember the boy and was surprised to see him again. EVANS advised that his wife told OSWALD that she had no apartment currently available, at which time they conversed for about an hour in the house. EVANS advised that during that brief period of time OSWALD mentioned nothing concerning his association or activity with the Fair Play for Cuba Committee or any attachment with any other official organization. He advised that OSWALD had told him that he had married while he was in Russia and when MYRTLE EVANS queried him as to whether OSWALD had given up his United States Citizenship,

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OSWALD replied in the negative. EVANS stated that he did not notice at that time whether or not OSWALD had any baggage with him. He advised that to the best of his recollection, OSWALD arrived at his home by public transportation. He advised that in March of 1963, OSWALD was working for the Rolly Coffee House in New Orleans, but cannot definitely be sure.

EVANS stated that after this brief conversation, MYRTLE EVANS accompanied OSWALD in his search for an apartment. He advised that it took them approximately one-half day to find the apartment on Magazine Street, exact address unknown. He stated that his wife informed him that OSWALD seemed pleased with the apartment at that time, but said that he did not believe his wife would like it because while OSWALD and his wife were in Russia, they lived in a new apartment. OSWALD, advised EVANS, had also mentioned that he was going to establish an apartment in New Orleans and then send for his wife, who he believed at that time was in Russia.

EVANS advised that during the time he has known LEE HARVEY OSWALD, he cannot recall any mention on the part of OSWALD to assassinate President KENNEDY. He stated that from his association with OSWALD, he did not think that OSWALD would be the type to assassinate President KENNEDY. He based this conclusion on the fact that he felt that OSWALD was an introvert and a recluse individual, who did not have time to associate generally in social circles. He advised that he could be wrong in his opinion.

JULIAN EVANS advised that he recalls that sometime, exact date unknown, MARGURITE OSWALD worked in a stocking place on Canal Street near the Audubon Building as a manager and buyer.

He stated that he cannot recall the exact name or location of this particular establishment. He further advised that he does not have any records available concerning the occupant of 1454 St. Mary Street and 1452 St. Mary Street, New Orleans, during the period May, 1954, and 1955. He stated that the present occupants of these residences are fairly current and would not have any knowledge concerning OSWALD. He advised that his memory fails him as to the name of the people who occupied the building during the above period.

JULIAN EVANS stated that his recollection of the OSWALD family and their activities is not too clear and complete. He stated that his wife, MYRTLE EVANS, would be in a better position to know more about the OSWALDS since she had been in closer contact with them than he.

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