

into the basement of the Police Building was of such height that he doubted the large truck could enter, but would find out the exact measurements and call Mr. Fleming back. Batchelor determined from Deputy Chief Lumpkin that the height at the bottom of the ramp was 7 feet 5 inches, and so informed Mr. Fleming. Mr. Fleming said he would send both the small and the large truck and we could take our choice. Mr. Fleming stated that he would obtain drivers and go to their offices immediately and make arrangements for the trucks, and that he would call Batchelor when they were ready.

After this conversation with Mr. Fleming, Batchelor and Stevenson advised Chief Curry they would go to the basement of the Police Building to check security. They found that Captain Talbert on his own initiative had deployed both police officers and police reservists in the basement to isolate the Jail Office and the basement parking area. We checked and found officers stationed in the basement at the Jail corridor and on the stairway from the first floor. Inside the garage area of the basement, we found an officer stationed on the City Hall elevators and could see one at the top of the Main Street ramp. Batchelor went to the top of the Commerce Street ramp and observed a number of officers in front of this ramp and in front of the Police and Courts Building. He was told by a Reserve supervisor, believed to have been Captain Arnett, that they had moved all spectators to the south side of Commerce Street. He observed that this had been done. Batchelor and Stevenson returned to the Administrative Offices.

At approximately 10:00 a.m., Stevenson instructed the Bureau Commanders in the Criminal Investigation Division that all detectives on duty in all assignments would stand by in their bureau for possible use in security measures in transferring Oswald. Lumpkin and Stevenson then went to the second floor, the Patrol Captain's office, drank a cup of coffee with Captain C. E. Talbert. Talbert asked the route the prisoner transfer was going to take to the County Jail. He was told that they would probably go east on Commerce to Central, north on Central to Main, west on Main to the County Jail, that this decision had not definitely been determined. Talbert suggested that an officer be placed at each intersection on the route to the County Jail. Talbert stated that he would have ten (10) men picked up and assigned at these intersections.

After drinking the coffee, Lumpkin and Stevenson returned to the third floor where they learned from Chief Curry that the route to be followed