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Mrs. A. G. (JANE) ~~BERRY~~, 3126 Lennon Avenue, Apartment 2, advised she was employed by Scott-Foresman Publishing Company, fourth floor, Texas School Book Depository Building, 411 Elm Street.

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At approximately 12:40 p.m., on November 22, 1963, she was standing just west of the building, watching a parade in which President JOHN F. KENNEDY was riding. Just as the car was passing by her, she heard a rifle shot. A few seconds later she heard a second and third shot. She observed President KENNEDY slump over and everyone began falling to the ground or running. She realized that the President had been shot and observed the motorcade in which he was riding immediately speed off in a westerly direction.

Everyone was very excited and no one seemed to know where the shot had come from. It sounded as if it had been fired from a position west of where she was standing.

She soon returned to her office on the fourth floor of the building and began listening to radio reports on the shooting. A few minutes later police officers came to the office investigating the matter, but she was unable to furnish them with any information concerning the person who had fired the shots.

After seeing photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, she could not recall ever having seen him before. She has been working for the above firm about one year and knows many of the older employees in the building by sight.

She could furnish no other pertinent information.

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MR. LEE E. ~~BOWERS~~, JR., 10508 Maplegrove Lane, Dallas, ^{Texas} advised he is employed as a powerman at the north tower of the Union Terminal Company. He stated this tower is located just north and west of the Texas School Book Depository Building, which is located at the northwest corner of Houston and Elm Streets.

BOWERS advised that he was watching the Presidential Motorcade from his tower at about 12:28 P.M. when he heard three shots. He saw no one run from the west or south sides of the Texas School Book Depository Building and prior to the shooting did not see any suspicious persons enter the building. He stated he did observe three cars parked in the parking lot located west of the building. The first, a blue over white 1959 Oldsmobile Station Wagon, arrived at about 11:55 A.M. It had an out of state license plate consisting of six black numbers on a white background. The car was extremely dirty. There was one white male occupant, possibly middle aged. The second car, a 1957 black Ford Tudor with a gold stripe on the side bearing Texas license plates, arrived at about 12:15 P.M. BOWERS believed the occupant of this second car was a police officer, as he observed him talking on a radio telephone or a radio transmitter. He was a white male, age about 30. The third car, a 1961 or 1962 white Chevrolet Impala Four Door with an out of state plate similar to that which he had observed on the first car, the 1959 Oldsmobile, arrived at about 12:22 P.M. This car had one white male occupant, age about 30, with dirty blond hair, long on the sides and wearing a plaid sport coat. This car was also very dirty. Following the shooting BOWERS observed that none of these cars was in the parking lot.

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Mrs. JOSEPH EDDIE ~~DEAN~~, 7727 Bearden Lane, advised as follows:

She is employed by The Macmillan Company on the third floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building, 411 Elm Street.

At approximately 12:40 p.m., on November 22, 1963, she and some other employee in the building were standing on the steps of the building facing Elm Street, when a motorcade in which President JOHN F. KENNEDY and Governor ~~JOHN CONNALLY~~ of Texas were riding, was passing by.

President KENNEDY had just looked in their direction and waved when she heard a rifle shot. Shortly thereafter, she heard another rifle shot and then a third. During these moments, she observed President KENNEDY slump down into the car. After the first or second shot, she observed President KENNEDY reach to the back of his neck just before he slumped down.

When she realized the shots came from above her, she ran out into the street, but did not look up at this time. Everyone was running in various directions and some were falling to the ground, as if to avoid being shot. Everyone was very excited, including herself.

She returned to the steps of the building and met Mrs. MADIE B. ~~REESE~~, her office manager, and then accompanied Mrs. REESE to the National Bank of Commerce, making a deposit.

After viewing photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD on television, she could not recall ever having seen him before. She could furnish no further pertinent information.

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LARRY HUBER ~~FLORES~~, 3609 Potomac, Dallas, Texas, telephone number LA 1-7150, advises that he watched the President's parade on November 22, 1963 from a position at about Main and Poydras Streets. After the President's automobile had passed, he and his companion, RICHARD ~~BARTHOLOW~~, a teller in the National Bank of Commerce, went to a barbeque stand located on Pacific Street about one block east of Poydras and had lunch. While they were eating, they heard a radio broadcast indicating that President KENNEDY had been shot. BARTHOLOW had to return to the bank where he worked, but he (FLORES) went down to the vicinity of Elm and Houston Streets to see what had happened. When he arrived he observed that the Texas School Book Depository Building was completely surrounded by officers and he stood and watched the activity for about 10 or 15 minutes. He then decided that he had better call his employer, Mr. R. S. CRAIG of the S. L. Ewing Company and let him know he would be late returning to work.

FLORES stated he asked a woman bystander, name unknown, where the nearest telephone was, and she said there was one on the third floor of the building located directly across the street from the Texas School Book Depository Building. She apparently worked in this building and he went up the elevator with her to the third floor. He advises that on this floor there was an information desk of some company and he asked permission to use the telephone. He stated that a man apparently connected with the company located on that floor very curtly refused him permission to use the telephone, wanted to know what he was doing in the building, and told him to "get out". He said this man escorted him to the elevator and as he left the building, he was surrounded by police officers, apparently called by the individual who had ordered him out of the building. FLORES advises that he was taken to the Sheriff's Office and questioned concerning his presence and activity in the area.

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Mr. JACK ~~FRANZEN~~, 10572, Crowwell Circle, telephone Dallas, Texas FL 7-3717, who is employed by the Fox and Jacobs Construction Company, 9106 Sovereign Row, was contacted in response to a telephone call received from him at 1900 Main Street.

Mr. FRANZEN advised he and his wife and small son were standing in the grass area west of Houston Street and south of Elm Street at the time the President's motorcade arrived at that location at approximately 12:30 P.M. on November 22, 1963. He said he heard the sound of an explosion which appeared to him to come from the President's car and noticed small fragments flying inside the car and immediately assumed someone had tossed a firecracker inside the automobile. He heard a second and third and possibly a fourth explosion and recognized these sounds as being shots fired from some firearm. At the same time he noticed blood appearing on the top and sides of the head of President KENNEDY. He noticed a colored family consisting of a man, woman and small child nearby and at the sound of these shots the man picked up the small boy and ran with the woman west on Elm Street toward the overpass. During the ensuing confusion he remembers looking at the side of the building occupied by the Texas School Book Depository, located across Elm Street from his position but does not remember seeing anything of a suspicious nature with regard to that building. He noticed the men, who were presumed to be Secret Service Agents, riding in the car directly behind the President's car, unloading from the car, some with firearms in their hands, and noticed police officers and these plain clothesmen running up the grassy slope across Elm Street from his location and toward a wooded and bushy area located across Elm Street from him.

Because of this activity he presumed the shots which were fired came from the shrubbery or bushes toward which these officers appeared to be running.

He looked over the crowd which had assembled along both sides of Elm Street in this block but noticed nothing which appeared unusual among these spectators.

Mr. FRANZEN advised he is aware that the information which he has furnished may not be of any particular significance

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but advised in view of his close proximity to the President's vehicle at the time of these shots, felt that he possibly should furnish what information he could.

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7th & 11th, CHARLES HESTER, 2619 Keybold Street, Irving, Texas, furnished the following information:

At approximately 12:30 p.m., November 22, 1963, HESTER and his wife, BEATRICE, were standing along the street at the point immediately preceding the underpass on Elm Street where President JOHN F. KENNEDY was shot. HESTER stated he saw the President slump in the seat of the car and that he heard two shots fired from what appeared to be a building located on the corner of Elm Street and Houston Street. He stated he and his wife were almost in a direct line of the fire and he immediately grabbed his wife and shoved her to the ground. He stated he thereafter immediately escorted his wife across to the north side of the street on an embankment in an attempt to gain shelter.

HESTER stated he did not see anyone with a gun at the time the shots were fired and that after the President's car had pulled away from the scene and officers started toward the aforementioned building, he and his wife proceeded to their car and left the area.

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MR. S. M. ~~HOLLAND~~, 1119 Lucille Street, Irving, Texas, on November 24, 1963, advised SAs JAMES C. KENNEDY and WILL HAYDEN GRIFFIN that on Friday, November 22, 1963, in anticipation of the Presidential motorcade passing underneath the three-tier crossing on Elm Street, that he had been waiting approximately fifteen or eighteen minutes when the motorcade turned on Elm Street and began proceeding directly toward him, as he was standing on top of the underpass, looking down Elm Street.

The motorcycle escort and the lead car had passed underneath the underpass and the Presidential car approximately forty to fifty yards away. He stated that he heard what he first believed to be a fire cracker and then saw President KENNEDY, who had just waved to a crowd on the President's left, crumple forward. JACQUELINE KENNEDY appeared to rise up in the rear seat and caught the President in her lap and then sat back down with the President's head face down in her lap.

Simultaneously with the first shot, he stated he heard either three or four more shots fired together and saw Governor CONNALLY, sitting directly in front of the President, fall forward and at the same time, Governor CONNALLY's wife knelt down behind the Governor's fallen body on the floor of the car.

When the first shot was fired, HOLLAND stated that a motorcycle officer behind the car stopped his motor, left it in the street, drew his gun, and began running back toward the intersection of Elm and Houston Street. One of the officers in the front seat of the Presidential car stood up with a machine gun in his hands and was looking back from the car when it immediately speeded up, throwing this officer back across the front seat. This Presidential ~~car~~ went under the underpass at a rapidly rising rate of speed en route to Parkland Hospital.

HOLLAND stated that he looked toward the fence to his left to observe anyone that he might see running from this fence but saw no one.

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The only unusual thing that HOLLAND could recall was an approximate one and one-half to two foot diameter of what he believed was gray smoke which appeared to him to be coming from the trees which would have been on the right of the Presidential car but observed no one there or in the vicinity.

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PATRICIA ANN LAWRENCE, 302 North Windomere, Dallas, Texas, advised that she is employed as a stenographer for the MacMillan Company in the Texas School Book Depository Building.

Miss LAWRENCE advised that she is not acquainted with LEE HARVEY OSWALD and had seen no one of his description at all in the building on November 23, 1963.

When the President's motorcade passed the Texas School Book Depository Building, Miss LAWRENCE said she was standing with LUCY WHITAKER in the front row of people on Elm Street at Houston. When the motorcade passed she stated she was looking at Mrs. KENNEDY who was looking to the other side of the car. The president was looking in her direction and she had waved. She heard the shot fired as the President was waving. Thereafter she heard two additional shots, shots which seemed to have come from right over her head. She said she looked up and saw nothing. Later she returned to the building but at this time had not seen anyone identifiable with OSWALD coming from the building.

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~~OSCAR~~ **McVEY**, 322 South Marlborough, telephone WH 1-4853, employed as manager, Simmons Parking Lot #2, located northwest of the Texas School Book Depository Building across the railroad tracks a short distance, said he, on November 22, 1963, between 12:20 and 12:30 P.M., was standing on the north side of Elm Street near the railroad overpass watching the Presidential motorcade and had just observed four or five motorcycle policemen pass and then saw automobiles following but could not determine the identities of the persons in these vehicles and did not recognize anyone.

While standing there, he heard two or three loud reports and thought such were backfires from the motorcycles or the automobiles. In this connection, he observed nothing further.

MC VEY could not identify a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and stated he is not acquainted with anyone who has any known associations with that individual.

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FRANCES GAYLE ~~NEWMAN~~, 718 W. Clarendon Street, advised that at the time President KENNEDY was assassinated and Governor CONNALLY was wounded she was standing on the north curb of Elm Street between the triple underpass and Houston Street. Also standing there were her two children, ages 2 and 4, and her husband, WILLIAM EUGENE ~~NEWMAN~~, Jr. She estimated that when the limousine bearing the Presidential party was about 50 feet from them she heard reports and the President seemed to rise up in his seat. A few seconds later she heard another shot and saw that the President had been hit in the head because she saw blood flowing from his body. She said a man had been standing back of them on a pedestal near an arcade taking photographs and there were a couple of people east of them on the north side of Elm Street.

She stated that after the President was shot officers and probably Secret Service men started running toward the arcade near the point where the photographer was taking his pictures. She believed there were first two shots in succession, a pause, then another shot was fired which struck the President. She said the limousine was a three seated one carrying Governor CONNALLY and his wife in the middle seat and the President and Mrs. KENNEDY in the back seat. She did not notice the occupants of the front seat as she had her eyes on the President whom she had come to see. After the shots were fired, she and her husband each grabbed a child and lay down on the grass fearing that they might be hit by gunfire. She noticed that Governor CONNALLY seemed to be lying down in the front seat holding his stomach when he passed directly in front of them. She was taken with her husband to the WFAA Studio where they waited a short time and after the announcement came that the President was deceased, she and her husband were interviewed. They later made statements to Deputy Sheriffs concerning their eye-witness account of the assassination of the President and the wounding of Governor CONNALLY.

The shots were fired at the President and Governor CONNALLY about 12:30 p.m. on November 22, 1963. She said she did not see LEE HARVEY OSWALD during that time.

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11/24/63 WILLIAM EUGENE NEWMAN, Jr., 718 W. Clarendon, Dallas, Texas, who is an unemployed electrician, advised that at the time of the assassination of President KENNEDY and his wife, GAYLE, and their two children were standing on the north side of Elm Street about mid-way between Houston Street and the triple overpass. There were very few people on that side of the street. One man was standing on a pedestal near an arcade to the rear of them taking movies and he believed that two women were a few steps up the street from him. He believed that when the President's car was approximately 50 feet from him proceeding in a westerly direction on Elm Street he heard the first shots fired. It was his belief that two shots were fired in rapid succession which he thought at the time was a firecracker.

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 The car was proceeding toward him and it seemed that the President's arms went up and that he raised up in his seat and started to look around. The car proceeded to a point about even with him and he could see Governor JOHN CONNALLY was holding his stomach. About that time another shot was fired which he estimated was ten seconds after the first shot was fired. At that time he heard the bullet strike the President and saw flesh fly from the President's head. He noticed that Governor CONNALLY was lying back in the seat of the car and that his eyes "were real big." NEWMAN first thought the President and Governor were playing some kind of a game and suddenly realized they had been shot and that he was perhaps in the line of fire because officers started running toward the arcade directly back of him and his wife. He grabbed one child and his wife the other. They both lay down on the grass until after the procession passed. He stated he did not see any blood on Governor CONNALLY or President KENNEDY and that the limousine in which they were riding was a three seated limousine with Governor CONNALLY and President KENNEDY sitting on the side nearest him and the side nearest the Texas School Book Depository building from where he learned later the shots had been fired. President KENNEDY was seated in the back seat with his wife and Governor CONNALLY and his wife were in the middle seat of the limousine. He could not recall any of the bullets hitting the car but he said the report of the rifle was very loud and clear. He was later taken to the offices of WFAA Studio in Dallas and they interviewed him concerning his eye-witness account of the assassination of the President and the shooting of Governor CONNALLY.

He was also interviewed by Deputy Sheriffs and gave a statement as to what happened. He recalled that when the President

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was shot Mrs. KENNEDY seemed to grab him and pull him toward her. He was positive this occurred because when all shots were fired at the President he had his eyes directly on him. He could not state whether Mrs. CONNALLY was helping her husband or not but he seemed to be lying down when he passed them.

He said the President was hit on the right side of the head with the third shot and he heard the thud when the bullet struck the President. He did not see any rifle in the possession of anyone when he thought might be responsible for the shooting. He has seen pictures of LEE HARVEY OSWALD on television and stated he had never seen him insofar as he knows.

The assassination of the President occurred about 12:30 p.m. on November 22, 1963.

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JEAN (Mrs. PURSER EDWARD) ~~NEWMAN~~, 3893 Clover Lane, *Dallas Texas* telephone FL 2-4222, advised that she is employed by Eheen Manufacturing Company which company as of November 22, 1963, was in the process of moving from Lofland Street to 1222 Profit Drive. She stated that as the company was in the process of moving she left work at about 11:30 a.m. and drove to Oak Cliff taking a friend home and returning through the downtown Dallas area to her home in north Dallas. As she proceeded through the downtown area, she noticed crowds gathering in connection with President KENNEDY's visit to the area. She stated she, on the spur of the moment, decided she would like to see the President so she parked her car in Simmons Parking Lot #2 located at the northwest corner of the Dallas County School Book Depository Building. She then walked in front of the building and turned right on Elm Street and stood on the curb on the north side of the street immediately west of the Stenons Expressway sign. A car carrying the President and other persons had just passed her when she heard a report and saw the President jump, raising his hands to his chest area. She stated she assumed the report to be a firecracker and thought how "human" the President was that he too would react by jumping at a sudden noise. She stated the car had proceeded to approximately 12 feet to her right when she heard a second report and saw the President slump to the front of the car. She said the only other person in the Presidential car that she recognized was Mrs. JACQUELINE KENNEDY who immediately jumped to her knees over the President when he slumped.

Mrs. NEWMAN stated she only heard the two shots but cannot definitely state that additional shot or shots were not fired as people around her realizing what had happened began milling around and screaming. She stated that when she realized the reports were shots she immediately turned and looked up the hill to the north toward the parking lot but did not see anything after which she proceeded back up the hill and walked in front of the Dallas County School Book Depository Building to the parking lot to get her car where she was questioned by an officer and eventually taken to the Dallas County Sheriff's Office where she made a statement.

Mrs. NEWMAN stated that after the shots were fired she was in the area of the School Book Depository Building for some minutes and actually walked immediately in front of the building in returning to the parking lot but did not see or hear any person emerging from the building in such a manner as to attract her attention but pointed out all persons in the area were very excited at the time.

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Mrs. NEWMAN viewed a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD taken on August 9, 1963, after which she stated that she has no recollection of ever seeing the individual depicted in that photograph and said she does not know OSWALD, has never met him to her knowledge, and does not know any of his associates.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA NAT A. PINKSTON

AT DALLAS, TEXAS:

Mrs. ~~MARTHA REED~~ ^{TEXAS}, 338 West Tenth, Dallas, advised that she is employed in the second floor offices of the Texas School Book Depository, 411 Elm, Dallas, and in such employment knows LEE HARVEY OSWALD by sight since he is employed by the same company however she is not personally acquainted with him. She does not recall having seen OSWALD at all on November 22, 1963. She was on the sidewalk on the north side of Elm, about one-half way between Record and Houston Streets, at approximately 12:30 PM on November 22, 1963, when she heard what she thought were shots, however, she did not know where the shots came from. She went up the front stairs of the Texas School Book Depository building to the second floor offices where she spoke to Mrs. HEID and Mrs. HINE, told them about the shooting of the President, which she had heard on the street, then returned to the front door of the building but the police would not let her out of the building. She then returned to her office, but did not see OSWALD and did not see anyone with a gun or see anyone fire any shots and has not seen OSWALD with a gun.

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Mrs. JAMES W. REESE, 704 North Madison, Dallas, Texas, advised that she is employed by the MacMillan Company at 302 Texas School Book Depository Building. She advised she is employed as office manager and administrative secretary.

Mrs. REESE advised that she had seen photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD on television and simply cannot remember ever having seen him in the Texas School Book Depository Building. She said that if he had ever come into the office she does not remember it.

Mrs. REESE stated when the President's motorcade passed she was standing on the second step in front of the Texas School Book Depository Building and had heard three shots or what seemed to her to be shots. At first she thought the shots came from the alcove near the benches and then saw people looking up near the building and had presumed the shots had come from the building.

Mrs. REESE was unable to provide any other information which might identify OSWALD with the shots.

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PAULINE E. SANDERS, 4226 Delmar, a Clerk, Texas School Book Depository, 411 Elm Street, advised she arrived at work at 8:45 a.m., on November 22, 1963, and immediately reported to the main office where she was employed. She said she was acquainted with LEE HARVEY OSWALD who worked in the warehouse section and she has seen him three or four times during lunch breaks in the lunch room but did not talk to him on any occasion. She said he was very quiet and she had never seen him talking to any of the other employees that she could recall. She said she would not be in a position to observe what time he arrived at work or the way he arrived.

She said on the morning of November 22, 1963, she went outside to watch the Presidential parade at about 11:25 a.m. She said she did not see OSWALD during this time and she stood in the last line of spectators nearest the door to the Texas School Book Depository building. She advised she could not recall the exact time but immediately after the Presidential parade passed she heard three loud blasts and she immediately realized that the shots or whatever it was came from the building above her. She said within a matter of ten seconds a uniform police officer in a white helmet ran into the building but she did not observe him any further and could not state where he went in the building.

Mrs. SANDERS advised that Mr. CAMPBELL, Office Manager, arrived shortly after the police officer entered the building and she told him she believed the blasts came from the upper part of the building however he insisted the shots came from the embankment. She advised she did not pursue the matter any further and she entered the building within five minutes of the blast. She said she did not observe OSWALD in the lobby but the lobby was crowded with people at this time. She said she did notice a uniform police officer talking to an individual dressed in grey clothing with a silver type construction helmet and he claimed to be an engineer. She said he definitely did not work in the building and she had never seen him before. She said the police officer appeared to be taking his name and address. She said she did not observe whether the elevator was in use or not and she could not recall whether it was on the first floor but she did use the stairwell and walked to the second floor where their offices are maintained. She said she could not recall seeing OSWALD the entire day and at this time the only thing that was on their minds was whether the President had died.

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Mrs. SANDERS advised that this morning she called GERALDINE REID, another employee, telephone number FE 1-6617, who told her that the police officer who had first entered the building ran into the lunch room where Mr. TRULY, the warehouse manager, and OSWALD were evidently lunching. The police officer put his gun into OSWALD's stomach but TRULY advised the police officer that OSWALD worked for him. Police officer turned away and evidently left the area. She said according to REID, OSWALD then went to the main office and REID, although she had not observed the initial incident with the police officer, told OSWALD that the President had been shot. According to SANDERS, Mrs. REID claimed that OSWALD just mumbled something and then left the office. She said REID did not mention how OSWALD left the office or for that matter if she knew how he might have left the building. SANDERS advised that the stairwell would probably have been the easiest way to leave without being too noticeable since the stairwell is in need of repairs and employees had been instructed not to use the stairwell.

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OCHUS V. ~~CAMPBELL~~, 7120 Twin Lakes Lane, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information:

He is Vice President of the Texas School Book Depository Company, with offices located on the second floor of the Texas School Book Depository Building in Dallas.

On November 22, 1963, he was present at his office at the above named building and at about 12:30 PM on that day, he and several other associates were together stationed about 30 feet in front of this building facing away from the building observing the passing motorcade containing President KENNEDY. At this time, he heard a loud report, which at first he considered to be a fire cracker or some such object set off by a crank and believed the noise came from away from his building. This illusion, he explained, may have been due to the sound bouncing off the building and other objects in the vicinity. After hearing two more such reports, he realized that ~~he~~ must have been rifle shots and since President KENNEDY's car had advanced just out of his vision, he went forward a few feet to observe this automobile, inasmuch as he feared that the rifle shots were in connection with an attempt upon President KENNEDY's life. He then observed the car bearing President KENNEDY to slow down, a near stop, and a motorcycle policeman rushed up. Immediately following this, he observed the car rush away from the scene. He then immediately rushed into his building without having seen anything unusual from any window of this building. Inside he was told shortly thereafter by the warehouse superintendent, Mr. TRULY, that all the employees of the company had been rounded up and one employee, LEE HARVEY OSWALD, was missing.

Mr. CAMPBELL observed a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, bearing New Orleans, Louisiana No. 112 723, and stated that he is sure this is a photograph of the employee named above, but added that he is not personally acquainted with him and has never seen him. He advised that he has always given Mr. TRULY the responsibility of hiring employees for the warehouse.

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BETTY JEAN THORNTON, 3807 Rolinda, telephone FE 7-5775, an employee of Scott-Foresman Educational Publishers, which is located on the fourth floor of the Texas School Book Depository building, 411 Elm Street, advised she arrived at work on November 22, 1963, at 8:30 a.m. She said that although she now understands LEE HARVEY OSWALD had worked for the Texas School Book Depository recently she had never seen him before as far as she knows. She said she did not see him on the morning of November 22, 1963, nor did she see him in the building after the shooting. She advised she was standing on the street when the President's car passed by and she heard what she thought was a number of firecrackers. Immediately afterward someone said the President was hit and she overheard on the police radio in a three-wheel motorcycle nearby that the President had been shot. She said people began running toward the embankment as if the shots had come from that direction. She said she turned toward the Texas School Book Depository and entered same however did not observe anyone in the lobby or running down the stairwell. She entered the elevator and rode to the fourth floor where JANE BERRY, another employee of the company, was telling other employees what had happened. She said she believed workmen from the Texas School Book Depository and employees had been working on the fifth floor for ten days prior to the shooting but she did not know whether these employees were up there on the day of the shooting.

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ROBERT J. ANDERSON:va Date dictated 11/24/63

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OTIS N. WILLIAMS, 3429 South Western Avenue, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information:

WILLIAMS is an employee of the Texas School Book Depository, Elm at Houston Street, Dallas, Texas and has been for the past 12 years.

On November 22, 1963 at the time the Presidential Procession passed the Texas School Book Depository Building, WILLIAMS was on the front steps of the building. The Presidential car had just passed the building a few seconds and was out of sight over the embankment when WILLIAMS heard three loud blasts. He thought these blasts came from the location of the court house. He did not look up and immediately went back into the building into his office on the second floor. A few minutes later, Detectives came into the building and he went with a Detective to check the second floor of the building. WILLIAMS remained in the building until approximately 3 PM, at which time the building was closed.

WILLIAMS is not acquainted with LEE HARVEY OSWALD, an employee of the Texas School Book Depository. He has possibly seen OSWALD in the building, but cannot recall him.

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by Special Agent PAUL J. [Signature] & EDMOND C. HARDIN/88 dictated 11/24/63

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JESSE C. PRICE, 2602 Astor, telephone WH 1-1940, advised he is an employee of General Services Administration and was on duty at the Post Office Annex on Houston and Commerce Streets, Dallas. He was on the roof watching the parade, heard the shot, and saw President KENNEDY slump over. He assumed the shot had come from the overpass and looked in that direction, but saw nothing pertinent.

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Date 11/25/63Ferris, Texas

VIRGIE RACKLEY, 405 Wood Street, telephone 544-3827, employed as a bookkeeper at the Texas School Book Depository, second floor, corner of Houston and Elm Streets, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information:

From an examination of the photograph of **LEE HARVEY OSWALD**, she does not believe that she has ever seen him and is certain that she has never spoken to him. She works on the second floor at the front of the building and rides to work on an elevator located in the east end of the building which goes only to the first four floors.

At about 12:15 p.m. on November 22, 1963 she left her office and went out the south door of the Texas School Book Depository Building to watch the Presidential motorcade pass. She was standing across the street immediately in front of this building but on the north side of the entrance to the Triple Underpass along which the motorcade traveled. She observed President **KENNEDY**'s car pass her point of observation and almost immediately thereafter heard three explosions spaced at intervals which she at first thought were firecrackers. It sounded as though these sounds were coming from the direction of the Triple Underpass, and looking in that direction after the first shot she saw something bounce from the roadway in front of the Presidential automobile and now presumes it was a bullet bouncing off the pavement. She stated she did not see President **KENNEDY** being shot and that she did not realize this was what happened until later.

After the shots she and others in the crowd moved on down toward the Triple Underpass and on returning to the building were told they could not go inside. She did not go inside until about 3:00 p.m.

She stated that just before the shooting a man had passed out on the parkway between the Elm Street entrance and the Main Street entrance to the Triple Underpass and that an ambulance had picked him up and

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left the scene just seconds before the Presidential car came into sight on Houston Street.

This ambulance picked up the man directly across Houston Street from the Sheriff's Office.

RACKLEY stated that she did not look up at the Texas School Book Depository Building since she did not think that the sounds were coming from that building. She recalled no one who had mentioned seeing anyone in the windows of the building prior to the shooting although just after the shooting some unidentified man who had been sitting on a wall directly across the street and south of the Texas School Book Depository Building stated "I saw everything". She did not know what he was talking about at the time and does not know whether he saw anyone in the windows of the building or not.

She recalled that after the second shot she smelled gunsmoke but did not know where it was coming from.

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 DOLORES KOUNAS, 825 Arpege Circle, telephone
 FR 4-7251, employed as a clerk-typist by McGraw-Hill
 Publishing Company, third floor of the Texas School Book
 Depository Building, Elm and Houston Streets, Dallas,
 Texas, furnished the following information:

She examined a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD
 and stated she cannot recall ever having seen him. She
 stated that the building in which she works has office
 space on the lower floors and that she goes to the third
 floor via an elevator in the east end of the building
 which runs only to the ~~third~~ ^{fourth} floor.

~~She stated~~ ^{She stated} on November 22, 1963 she had left
 the building about 12:00 noon. She stated she went to
 a spot on the southwest corner of Houston and Elm Streets
 to watch the Presidential motorcade pass. She was
 approximately 100 feet south of the Texas School Book
 Depository Building and observed the motorcade of President
 KENNEDY pass in front of her and proceed west toward the
 Triple Underpass. After the car had passed her point and
 was almost to the underpass she heard a noise like a
 firecracker. She stated there were three of these noises
 which she now knows were shots equally spaced by a few
 seconds and that it sounded as though these shots were
 coming from the Triple Underpass. She stated she looked
 in that direction but was unable to see the car in which
 President KENNEDY was riding due to the mass of people
 in front of her.

She stated that after standing there a few
 minutes she walked across the street toward the Texas
 School Book Depository Building but was not allowed to
 go in the building until about 3:00 p.m.

She stated during the time she was watching
 the motorcade, before and after the shots were fired,
 she did not look up at the Texas School Book Depository
 Building and thus did not know whether there was anyone
 at the windows in that building. She stated it did not
 sound like the shots were coming from that direction
 but rather from the Triple Underpass.

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ROGER ~~CRAIG~~ CRAIG, 7711 Piedmont, Apartment B, phone Evergreen 1-4851, employed as a Deputy Sheriff, Dallas Texas County Sheriff's Department, advised that he was standing in front of the Dallas Sheriff's Office, 505 Main Street, at the time the motorcade of President JOHN F. KENNEDY was approaching the triple underpass. He stated that he heard a shot and ran around the corner onto Houston Street and went through the parking area and briefly searched area on Elm Street. Shortly after this, approximately 3 or 4 minutes, came back across Elm Street and observed an individual run down the grass area from the direction of the Texas School Book Depository. He heard this individual whistle and a white Rambler station wagon, driven by a Negro male, pulled over to the curb and said individual got in and the car headed toward the Dallas-Fort Worth Turnpike.

CRAIG stated that at 5:18 PM, November 22, 1963, he was given an opportunity to observe LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the office of Captain J. W. FRITZ in the Homicide and Robbery Bureau, Dallas Police Department, and that he is positive that OSWALD is identical with the same individual he observed getting into the Rambler station wagon as mentioned above.

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MARVIN C. ROBINSON, 5120 South Marsalis Avenue, telephone number Franklin 4-5834, advised that approximately between 12:30 and 1:00 p.m. on the afternoon of November 22, 1963, while traveling west on Elm Street he crossed the intersection of Elm and Houston Streets shortly after the assassination of President KENNEDY. ROBINSON stated that after he had crossed Houston Street and was in front of the Texas School Book Depository building a light colored Nash stationwagon suddenly appeared before him. He stated this vehicle stopped and a white male came down the grass covered incline between the building and the street and entered the stationwagon after which it drove away in the direction of the Oak Cliff section of Dallas. ROBINSON stated he does not recall the license number on the stationwagon or whether or not it bore a Texas license plate.

He stated further that he did not pay particular attention to the individual who entered the stationwagon and would be unable to identify him.

ROBINSON was unable to furnish any pertinent information concerning the assassination of President KENNEDY.

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ROGER CRAIG, 7711 Piedmont, Apartment B, employed as Deputy Sheriff, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, was reinterviewed. Mr. CRAIG stated that about 12:20 p.m., November 22, 1963, he was standing about 20 feet east of Houston Street on Main Street in downtown Dallas when he heard a noise which he presumed to be a gun shot. He states he immediately started west on Main Street toward Houston Street, and while en route, he heard two additional noises which he also presumed to be gun shots.

He stated he crossed Houston Street and there met a Dallas city police officer who advised him that the noises he had heard were in actuality gun shots. He stated he then proceeded to the Santa Fe railroad tracks which run alongside the Texas School Book Depository building, and while en route there noticed a car with a woman sitting in it. He stated he immediately took her to a Mr. LUMMY LEWIS, Dallas County Sheriff's Office, who took her name and address.

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Mr. CRAIG stated he then went to the southwest corner of the Texas School Book Depository building and there talked with a young man and his wife who claimed they had observed a man through a window of the Texas School Book Depository holding a rifle about 15 minutes before the parade passed, but assumed he was a Secret Service man. CRAIG stated he also took these people to Mr. LEWIS, who took their names and addresses. CRAIG stated he then crossed to the south side of Elm Street in front of the Texas School Book Depository building to see if he could see marks on the pavement which would indicate that a bullet had ricocheted.

He stated that at that time he heard a shrill whistle, looked up, and saw a man running across the lawn toward Elm Street coming from direction of Texas School Book Depository building. He stated he also noticed an automobile traveling west on Elm, which he feels was a white Nash Rambler station wagon with a luggage rack on top. He stated he observed the driver look at the man running down the hill, then observed the driver stop at the curb. He stated the man on foot got in the Rambler and they left going west on Elm Street. Mr. CRAIG stated he did not have the license number, but feels that it was a 1963 Texas license.

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Mr. CRAIG described the driver of the automobile as a white male, American, dark-complected, short hair, wearing a light colored jacket. Mr. CRAIG stated he had previously described this man as a Negro male, but has since decided that the driver was a white male.

Mr. CRAIG described the man whom he had seen running across the lawn in the following manner:

White male, height 5'9", weight 140 pounds, build slender, hair sandy, dress - brown shirt, blue trousers.

Mr. CRAIG stated later the same afternoon he heard that Dallas Police Department had a suspect in the shooting of Officer TIPPITT in Oak Cliff. He stated at this time he called Captain ~~V. FRITZ~~, Dallas Police Department, gave him the description of the man he had seen crossing the lawn and was advised to view the suspect at Dallas Police Department.

Mr. CRAIG ^{Texas} stated he subsequently went to Dallas Police Department and there identified LEE HARVEY OSWALD as the person he had seen running from Texas School Book Depository. Mr. CRAIG further stated there is no doubt in his mind that the man he observed running from the Texas School Book Depository and the person he viewed at Dallas Police Department are identical.

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IV. Shooting of Dallas Police Officer
J. D. Tippit

Date 11/23/63

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Dallas, Texas
 W. W. ~~X~~SCOGGINS, 3138 Alaska, advised he is a driver for the Oak Cliff Cab Company and furnished Detective MARVIN JOHNSON of the Dallas Police Department and SA LOUIS M. KELLEY the following information:

He had picked up a fare at Love Field on Friday, November 22, 1963, which he discharged at 321 North Ewing at 1 p.m. He then drove to the Gentlemens Club, 125 South Patton, to get a cold drink to go with his lunch. He could not find a parking place in front of the club, so he parked on the east side of Patton at 10th Street and stated he parked where a stop sign had been but which had been removed. He parked heading north on the right side of the street.

He walked back to the club, obtained his cold drink, and watched the President on TV for a minute. He then returned to his cab and got his lunch out of the pocket. He estimated this to be about 1:25 p.m.

About the time he got his lunch out, he saw a policeman in a squad car going east on 10th Street at a slow rate of speed. This officer stopped on 10th Street just east of PATTON. The officer got out of his car and apparently said something to a man walking west on 10th Street and who was on the south side of 10th. When the officer spoke to him, the man stopped.

The next thing that attracted SCOGGINS' attention was a gun firing and he heard three or four shots, saw smoke near the squad car and saw the officer fall beside the car on the driver's side. The man the officer had stopped started running. He ran west on 10th to Patton and south on Patton onto Jefferson. The last time he saw this man was when he was going down Jefferson. He reported this to his dispatcher as soon as the man passed his cab and was asked if an ambulance was needed. He advised the dispatcher he did need an ambulance and shortly thereafter one arrived as did other officers.

He stated he did not know the man who shot the officer but felt he would recognize him again if he saw him.

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He stated this man muttered as he passed his cab either "Poor dumb cop" or "Poor damn cop." He was not certain which, and stated that when this man passed his cab, he had a pistol in his left hand.

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W. W. SCOGGINS, 3138 Alaska, a cab driver, furnished the following information:

On November 23, 1963, he went to the Dallas Police Department where he picked LEE HARVEY OSWALD out of a police line-up as being the same individual whom he had seen shoot a uniformed police officer of the Dallas Police Department in the 400 Block of East 10th Street, on the early afternoon of November 22, 1963.

He stated that he was no more than 15 feet from this individual as he fled the scene of the shooting and that he is positive that LEE HARVEY OSWALD is the individual who did the shooting and whom he observed leaving the scene.

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Mr. W. W. SCOGGINS, 3138 Alaska, employed as a taxicab driver for the Oak Cliff Cab Company, was reinterviewed. He stated that on November 22, 1963, he had observed an individual in the vicinity where Dallas Patrolman TIPPIT was shot shortly after the assassination of President KENNEDY.

Mr. SCOGGINS stated after viewing a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, he could not be sure the person he had observed in Oak Cliff on November 22, 1963, was actually identical with LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

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1Date 11/28/63

Mr. EDWARD S. VIRGIL, Supervisor, Dispatching Office, City Transportation Company of Dallas, advised his records reflect that a message was received from Driver ^{Texas} W. W. SCOGGINS, and was posted at 1:25 PM, on November 22, 1963. This message was to the effect that SCOGGINS had just witnessed the shooting of a Dallas City Police Officer on Tenth Street near Patton. Mr. VIRGIL advised that this call from SCOGGINS was received by Dispatcher D. G. GRAHAM. He advised his first action was to notify the Dallas Police Department of the receipt of this message. In view of the contents of the message, he advised it is probable that the posting of this message in his records was delayed pending notification of the Dallas Police Department. His record reflects the call was received at 1:25 PM, on November 22, 1963.

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by Special Agent ALFRED C. ELLINGTON: mam Date dictated 11/28/63

Date 11/23/631

MRS. HELEN ~~MARKHAM~~, residence 328 E. 9th Street,
employed as a waitress at the Eastwell Cafe, Main Street,
Dallas, furnished the following information:

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On ~~the~~ early afternoon of November 22, 1963, possibly
around 1:30 p.m., she observed a marked Dallas Police Department
patrol car parked in the 400 block of East 10th Street. She
saw a young man walk from the sidewalk to the squad car and
put his face up to the front window on the right-hand side of
the car which was next to the curb and engage the officer in a
brief conversation of about ten seconds. Thereafter, the officer
got out the left-hand door, drivers side of the car, walked
around behind the squad car and on rounding the corner of the
car was shot twice in the head by the young man.

MRS. MARKHAM immediately ran out to the car and was
afraid that this young man might shoot her, but felt that she
must go to the aid of the officer. The young man ran west on
10th Street to the corner, turned south and disappeared.

MRS. MARKHAM stated that she is sure that she can
identify him and described him as a white male, about 18,
black hair, red complexion, wearing black shoes, tan jacket,
and dark trousers.

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Mrs. HELEN MARKHAM, 328 East 9th Street, was interviewed at the Eatwell Cafe, Main Street, Dallas, where she furnished the following information:

She examined a photograph of LEE HARVEY OSWALD and advised that he is the individual whom she saw shoot and kill a Dallas police officer in the 400 Block of East 10th Street, Dallas, Texas, in the early afternoon of November 22, 1963.

She further advised that on the afternoon of November 22, 1963, she identified LEE HARVEY OSWALD in person from a police line-up at the Dallas Police Department and that she is positive that he is the individual who killed the police officer.

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Dr. RICHARD ~~at~~ LIGUORI, 4125 Swiss Avenue, telephone TAYlor 3-4682, advised he is on the house staff of ~~Methodist Hospital of Dallas~~ 301 West Colorado, telephone WH 6-8181, and is the physician who pronounced dead J. D. TIPPIT. He was pronounced dead at 1:25 p.m., November 22, 1963, and an examination of the body indicated his death could be attributed to gunshot wounds. There appeared three wounds in the body, one being in the right temple which in the opinion of Dr. LIGUORI could have caused instant death, one wound in the left chest, the bullet being deflected by a brass button of the uniform worn by Officer TIPPIT and the bullet being found only about one inch under the surface, and the third wound in the upper abdomen.

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Dallas Texas

Records of the Dudley N. Hughes Funeral Home,
400 East Jefferson, telephone WH 6-5133, reflect the following
information concerning J. D. TIPPIT: *deceased*

Residence	<u>238 Glencairn, Dallas, Texas</u>	
Born	<u>9/18/24, Red River County, Texas</u>	
Died	<u>Dallas, Texas, 11/22/63</u>	
Age	<u>39</u>	
Pronounced dead	<u>1:25 p.m., at Methodist Hospital</u> <u>by Dr. LIGUORI</u>	
Military service	<u>World War II Veteran</u>	
Father	<u>EDGAR LEE TIPPIT</u>	<u>Texas</u>
Mother's maiden name	<u>LIZZIE MAE RUSH</u>	<u>Texas</u>
Wife	<u>MARIE TIPPIT</u>	

Mrs J. D. Tippit

238 Glencairn, Dallas, Texas

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V. Arrest of Lee Harvey Oswald

Date 11/22/63

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At about 1:25 p.m., while at the Texas School Book Depository Building, 411 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas, I, SA ROBERT M. BARRETT, heard a radio broadcast on a police car radio that a police officer had been shot in the 400 block of East Jefferson Street and that a suspect had been observed fleeing from the area. I proceeded immediately to the area and learned that the shooting had actually taken place in the 400 block of East 10th Street. While there I overheard police officers interviewing the female witness who stated that she had first observed a young white male about 27 years of age leaning on the front door of the passenger side of a Dallas police car, talking to the police officer through the open window. The officer got out of the car, according to this witness, and walked around the back of the car. As he did so, the young man stepped back, took a gun from his shirt, fired twice at the officer hitting him. The woman ran to the aid of the officer and was told by the gunman to leave him alone or he would shoot her. According to this witness, the gunman then fled in a westerly direction.

I noted, however, that the blood from the fatally wounded officer was near the left front fender of the squad car, indicating that he had walked around the front of the car. I also learned that the first report of this shooting had been received by the police dispatcher at 1:19 p.m.

At approximately 2:00 p.m. I heard a police broadcast from one of the nearby squad cars advising that the suspect had possibly been sighted at the Texas Theater in the 200 block of West Jefferson. I proceeded immediately to this area and along with numerous other law enforcement officers entered the theater to assist in the search for the suspect. As I entered the seating area on the main floor, I heard a police officer, later identified as M. N. MC DONALD, shout "Here he is". At this time about 12 police officers converged on this area. I observed Officer MC DONALD, along with Detective BOB CARROLL, Captain W. R. WESTBROOK, and numerous other officers, struggling with a young man, later identified as LEE HARVEY OSWALD. I heard OSWALD yell in a loud voice, "kill all the sons of bitches".

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One of the officers took a .38 caliber snub-nose revolver out of OSWALD's right hand and handed it to Detective CARROLL. I then heard OSWALD yell, "I'm not resisting arrest, I'm not resisting". The officers then led OSWALD from the theater after handcuffing him, and as they did so OSWALD started yelling, "They are violating my civil rights".

At no time did I observe any officer strike OSWALD, abuse him, or use any more force than was necessary in subduing and handcuffing him in view of his resistance and the fact that he had a weapon in his possession.

Later at police headquarters, I observed the .38 snub-nose revolver and noted that it was a Smith and Wesson, Serial Number 510210. On the chamber hinge was the number 65248. I was also shown the six cartridges taken from the weapon and noted that one of them had an indentation on the primer. I was told by Officer MC DONALD that when he first approached OSWALD, the subject attempted to pull the weapon from his shirt, at which time MC DONALD grabbed the gun with both of his hands. MC DONALD stated that OSWALD did pull the trigger once, but that the gun did not fire. MC DONALD also stated that when he was holding onto the gun, OSWALD hit MC DONALD in the face with his fist, knocking MC DONALD against the seat and causing him to receive a scratch on his face.

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At approximately 2 p.m., November 22, 1963, I was informed by an unidentified policeman of the Dallas Police Department that a suspect had been seen entering the back door of the Texas Theater.

I immediately proceeded to the Texas Theater, 231 West Jefferson, and entered the front door and stood in the lobby to see that no one left the theater, since there were no officers on guard there. A minute or two after arriving in the lobby, a Dallas County Deputy Sheriff ran by me from inside the theater stating "they have him", and within a minute thereafter, I observed a young man with his hands cuffed behind him in the midst of a group of Dallas police officers being hustled out the front door of the theater. As he passed through the lobby he shouted "police brutality".

This man was a white male, age about 22, 5' 8", 160 pounds, brown hair, and was wearing a white shirt, dark trousers, and a reddish brown jacket with zipper open all the way in front.

From photographs observed later in the day on November 22, 1963, I identified this individual as LEE OSWALD.

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On November 29, 1963, Det. C. V. ~~BROWN~~, Homicide and Robbery Bureau, Dallas Police Department, advised SA ~~JAMES W. BOOKHOUT~~ that the following are the Dallas Police Department officers who first arrested LEE HARVEY OSWALD at the Texas Theater, November 22, 1963. BROWN stated that personal contact with OSWALD was made by said officers in the order listed below:

1. M. N. MC DONALD, uniformed officer, Radio Patrol Division
2. T. A. ~~HUTSON~~, uniformed officer, Traffic Division
3. C. T. ~~WALKER~~, uniformed officer, Traffic Division
4. ~~RAY~~ ~~HAWKINS~~, uniformed officer, Traffic Division.

Date 11/29/631

WILLIAM J. ~~LOWERY~~, Manager, Shoshaven, Oak Cliff Section, Dallas, Texas, advised that on November 22, 1963, he was listening to Radio Station KLIF concerning reports of the assassination of former PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY. All during the afternoon the KLIF announcer was quoting Dallas police officers who arrested OSWALD as having said OSWALD made the statement when arrested, "I've killed the President, I've killed a cop, now I've got two more to kill." MR. LOWERY advised at approximately 6 P.M. when he was driving home and listening to Radio Station KLIF the announcer stated that this statement by OSWALD could not be confirmed, since the official police report did not have this statement in it.

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**VI. Interviews with Lee Harvey Oswald
and Relatives**

Date 11/23/63

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LEE HARVEY OSWALD, 1026 North Beckley, Dallas, Texas, was interviewed by Captain WILL FRITZ of the Homicide Bureau, Dallas Police Department. Special Agents JAMES P. HOSTY, JR. and JAMES W. BOOKHOUT were present during this interview. When the Agents entered the interview room at 3:15 p.m., Captain FRITZ had been previously interviewing LEE HARVEY OSWALD for an undetermined period of time. Both Agents identified themselves to OSWALD and advised him they were law enforcement officers and anything he said could be used against him. OSWALD at this time adopted a violent attitude toward the FBI and both Agents and made many uncomplimentary remarks about the FBI. OSWALD requested that Captain FRITZ remove the cuffs from him, it being noted that OSWALD was handcuffed with his hands behind him. Captain FRITZ had one of his detectives remove the handcuffs and handcuff OSWALD with his hands in front of him.

Captain FRITZ asked OSWALD if he ever owned a rifle and OSWALD stated that he had observed a MR. TRUBLY (phonetic), a supervisor at the Texas Schoolbook Depository on November 20, 1963, display a rifle to some individuals in his office on the first floor of the Texas Schoolbook Depository, but denied ever owning a rifle himself. OSWALD stated that he had never been in Mexico except to Tijuana on one occasion. However, he admitted to Captain FRITZ to having resided in the Soviet Union for three years where he has many friends and relatives of his wife.

OSWALD also admitted that he was the secretary for the Fair Play for Cuba Committee in New Orleans, Louisiana a few months ago. OSWALD stated that the Fair Play for Cuba Committee has its headquarters in New York City. OSWALD admitted to having received an award for marksmanship while a member of the U.S. Marine Corps. He further admitted that he was living at 1026 N. Beckley in Dallas, Texas, under the name of O. H. LEE. OSWALD admitted that he was present in the Texas Schoolbook Depository on November 22, 1963, where he has been employed since October 15, 1963. OSWALD stated that as a laborer, he has access to the entire building which has offices on the first and second

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floors and storage on the third and fourth, as well as the fifth and sixth floors. OSWALD stated that he went to lunch at approximately noon and he claimed he ate his lunch on the first floor in the lunchroom; however he went to the second floor where the Coca-Cola machine was located and obtained a bottle of Coca-Cola for his lunch. OSWALD claimed to be on the first floor when President JOHN F. KENNEDY passed this building.

After hearing what had happened, he said that because of all the confusion there would be no work performed that afternoon so he decided to go home. OSWALD stated he then went home by bus and changed his clothes and went to a movie. OSWALD admitted to carrying a pistol with him to this movie stating he did this because he felt like it, giving no other reason. OSWALD further admitted attempting to fight the Dallas police officers who arrested him in this movie theater when he received a cut and a bump.

OSWALD frantically denied shooting Dallas police officer ~~ZIPPETT~~ or shooting President JOHN F. KENNEDY. The interview was concluded at 4:05 p.m. when OSWALD was removed for a lineup.