

I do not recall my source on this. Perhaps Garrison

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This conversation occurred at Ft. Chaffin, Arkansas during the period 22 July - 5 August. I met MAJOR STAVIS ELLIS at the Fourth U. S. Army ARRA Intelligence School. MAJOR ELLIS stated he was a Dallas Police Officer assigned to the Traffic Enforcement Division as a motorcycle officer.

The conversation involved the Kennedy assassination, and MAJOR ELLIS stated he was in the motorcade that day. His duty that day placed him as the left front motorcycle officer to the immediate left front of the President's automobile. This officer went into great detail about the happenings preceding and immediately following Kennedy's assassination.

MAJOR ELLIS stated the motorcade had strung out and because the police were trying to close up the President's car was going so slow it caused his motorcycle to wobble. He stated further that it became necessary to hold this motorcycle up by using his legs.

The most important point, I believe he mentioned were the happenings surrounding the first shot. MAJOR ELLIS stated that to his left front near the curb dust flew or was kicked up about the same time he heard the first shot. He observed people in this immediate falling to the ground apparently to avoid any further shots.

The MAJOR stated he believed this was the first bullet and even now he was more convinced. This is because a portion of the curb where he saw the dust fly has been removed. This occurred only a few days after the assassination. The officer went on to state that instead of speeding up as per instructions the cars all slowed down when the shots were fired.

The second part of the conversation was about one of MAJOR ELLIS's fellow motorcycle officers. This officer (as told by ELLIS) stated he was directly under the building when the shots were fired. The officer started up the stairs and after the supervisor arrived he started up the stairs. The building was the Book Depository. Upon going up the stairs, he and the supervisor encountered someone on either the third or fourth floor. This person was drinking water from the water cooler -- he did not stop because the supervisor advised the officer that the man was an employee. MAJOR ELLIS stated this officer later identified the man by the water cooler as LEE HARVEY OSWALD. This is a summation of the conversation.