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GEORGE W. RACKLEY, SR., residence, P. O. Box 573, Ferris, Texas, Phone 544-3827, was interviewed at his place of employment, the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad (MKT) Freight Depot.

Mr. RACKLEY stated that at about 12:30 PM on November 22, 1963, he and fellow worker JAMES ROMACK left the freight depot and went to MKT Trailer Lot located just west of the freight depot and about a block or a block and a half north of the intersection of Houston and Elm Streets. They had gone there in the hope that they could see some of the Presidential Parade as it passed this intersection. They were standing at a point approximately 300 feet due north of the northeast corner of the Texas School Book Depository Building. ROMACK walked towards the building and was about 125 feet south of RACKLEY and was talking to four men who RACKLEY believed were welders. RACKLEY did not hear any shots, but did see a large flock of pigeons take off from the roof of the Texas School Book Depository Building. He stayed in the area looking south towards this building for about five minutes. From where he was standing he could see the rear entrance to this building which is located in an inset off Houston Street at the northeast corner of the building. He did observe many people running across Houston Street at the Elm Street intersection headed in a westerly direction. During this period of time, he saw no one leave the Texas School Book Depository Building by way of the rear exit. He did not see anyone resembling LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the area at any time. He does not recall what happened to ROMACK after ROMACK left RACKLEY and walked south. He did not observe any news car for KBOX Station. He did observe a large number of police officers move into the area around the building and did see two police cars drive north through the railroad trailer lot.

RACKLEY went to the company office where he stayed for about two or three minutes and told his supervisor, GALE GEORGE, that there had been some shooting. He then returned to the area where he had originally been standing where he stood for 15 or 20 minutes. During this second period, he saw no one leave the Texas School Book Depository Building by way of the rear entrance (northeast corner). He stated there were many people in the area at this time and he was continually looking south.

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towards the building.

RACKLEY stated he was not sure if he and ROMACK were together at the time the flock of pigeons flew off the roof nor does he know where he got the idea or the information that there had been a shooting which he had related to Mr. GEORGE. He stated he was quite positive that the shooting probably took place when the pigeons flew off the roof, but reiterated that he did not hear any shots. Aside from ROMACK and the four men he thought to be welders, RACKLEY observed no one else in the immediate area north of the Texas School Book Depository.

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