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THOMAS P. ALYEA, newsman, residence 2333 Lockhart, employed WFAA-TV, Communications Center, furnished the following information:

On November 22, 1963, he and RAY JOHN, also employed by WFAA-TV, were driving back from covering President JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY's visit at Fort Worth, Texas, and were stopped at the traffic light located at Commerce and Houston Streets, Dallas, Texas, when a voice, later identified as Chief of Police CURRY, advised over the police radio "all units Code 3 Parkland." A few seconds later over the commercial radio, JOHN ALLEN, WFAA Radio Station, advised shots had been fired at the President at Houston and Elm.

ALYEA grabbed a fully loaded camera, a Bell & Howell, 70 DR, 16 mm., and three extra cans of film which, along with the one can of film he always carries in his back pocket, gave him 500 feet of film. ALYEA ran toward the intersection of Houston and Elm taking photographs as he went. Upon arrival at the intersection he began looking about for some sign of a struggle or an arrest. He did not see the President's vehicle which apparently was already racing toward Parkland Hospital.

He then noticed several people pointing toward the upper floors of the Texas School Book Depository building and he immediately ran inside along with a number of others who appeared to be law enforcement officers. Once inside, he filmed the search for the assassin and when the rifle was located on the sixth floor he photographed it in its original position. He also photographed the dusting of the rifle for fingerprints by the Dallas Police Department Laboratory man.

He remained in the building until about 2:30 p.m., before he was allowed to leave. He had been in the building about 45 minutes before learning the President had been hit by the rifle fire. During the time he was inside the building, he used up all 500 feet of the film.

He recalls seeing Captain WILL FRITZ of the Dallas Police Department along with a number of others he knows to be law enforcement

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officers inside the building but cannot identify anyone else by name. He did not see LEE HARVEY OSWALD on November 22, 1963, and to his knowledge has never seen LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

He was the only cameraman inside the Texas School Book Depository to his knowledge on the early afternoon of November 22, 1963.

He had not previously contacted anyone in law enforcement regarding the film he had taken in the Depository since he had made no secret of it while filming and it had been used extensively in television broadcasts both from Dallas and from CBS, New York.

He advised the film has now been cut and spliced with other film regarding the assassination and it is no longer in the original five rolls. He stated WFAA would dub a copy of all of the 500 feet which they could locate and identify and furnish it to the FBI.

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