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Lieutenant PAUL BENTLEY, Dallas, Texas, Police Department, furnished the following information:

On the afternoon of November 22, 1963, he was at the Texas Theater on Jefferson Avenue, Dallas, and assisted in the apprehension of LEE HARVEY OSWALD.

At that time, OSWALD had in his hand a pistol which he attempted to fire. This gun was taken from OSWALD by BENTLEY and other officers, and BENTLEY examined the non-fired shells in the gun and found that one had a slight dent caused by the firing pin striking it. He stated this shell apparently did not fire since one of the officers had his hand on the gun and kept the hammer from falling with sufficient force to fire the shell.

BENTLEY stated that as he recalled, LEE HARVEY OSWALD was wearing a brown long sleeved sport shirt, a pair of dark trousers and no jacket.

He stated that he and others took OSWALD to the Dallas Police Department where he was taken to an interview room in the Homicide and Robbery Division on the third floor of City Hall, at which time Lieutenant BAKER took charge of OSWALD.

BENTLEY stated that the other officers in the car taking OSWALD to the police station were C. E. WALKER, BOB CARROLL, J. HILL, and LYONS, a special officer.

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