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On December 12, 1963, Chief M. W. STEPHENSON, Dallas Police Department, supplied the following information to SA EMORY E. HORTON:

Mr. W. A. THOMPSON, Thompson Tool Company, 2323 Lansford Street, phone Riverside 8-4165, came by his office at 10:10 AM, and gave following information:

He had read in the morning paper where witnesses had identified OSWALD as practicing on a range near Grand Prairie; that at the time he was at the range he was accompanied by another white male and gave a meager description.

Mr. THOMPSON employed one HENRY C. CHENYWORTH, white male, age approximately 25, 6'3", dark hair, about two weeks before President was slain. He gave his address as 306 East Seventh Street, Dallas. He worked up to the weekend of November 22, 1963. He did not show up for work on Monday, November 25, 1963. The shop was open that date. He came back and worked Tuesday, November 26, 1963. The next time he showed up was Friday, November 29, 1963. He came by early and stated he was leaving and would send someone to pick up his check later in the day. Around noon he returned to the shop and Mr. THOMPSON paid him and asked him when he would be back to work. He stated he did not know, that his brother in Jasper, Texas, was sick, was in the hospital, and they wanted him to go there to stay with his brother.

Mr. THOMPSON advised he has not seen him since. He stated the day the President was slain, he heard CHENYWORTH say to another employee, BENNY REEVES, "I bet I will know who did it by morning." When CHENYWORTH picked up his check, he also remarked to REEVES, "I don't know whether I will be around by morning, I may be in jail".

THOMPSON stated after reading the paper he thought possibly if the story were authentic this subject may have been the other man referred to as being with OSWALD.

He stated two or three times while CHENYWORTH worked for him he was picked up in the afternoon, when getting off duty, by a woman driving a 1953 to 1954 Ford, a dirty white and light brown

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two tone color, and as many as two or three people were in the car on one or two occasions. CHENYWORTH stayed pretty well to himself and was a good worker. He did talk about the good deer hunting around Jasper and had planned to go to Jasper the weekend the President was killed. THOMPSON did not know whether he did go to Jasper.

THOMPSON said about December 4, 1963, a young white male came to his office and applied for a job, stating he lived at 308 East Seventh Street. He was not hired as he was not needed. On December 9, 1963, the same man came by again and applied for work. THOMPSON stated CHENYWORTH wore very large shoes (appeared boot type, the toes of which turned up) and that once or twice he had started to ask CHENYWORTH about the large shoes he was wearing.

THOMPSON said that on December 9, 1963, when the above young white male applied for a job, he was driving the car which had picked CHENYWORTH up when getting off work.

THOMPSON said CHENYWORTH was wearing dark green uniform with his name over the right shirt pocket when last seen.

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