

JAMES RICHARD WORRELL, 13020 E. Northwest Highway, furnished the following information to Dallas, Texas, Police Department Detective K. L. ANDERTON and SA LOUIS H. KELLEY.

On Friday, November 22, 1963, about 12:30 p.m., he was standing on the sidewalk in front of the Texas School Book Depository Building watching President KENNEDY's procession pass. He heard a shot from above his head and at first thought it was a firecracker, but when he looked up, he saw about 12 inches of a gun barrel sticking out of a window of the building. He said this window was either on the fifth or sixth floor. He saw the gun fire once again and looked at President KENNEDY in time to see him slump forward on the seat of his car. He was unable to see who was firing the gun.

WORRELL advised he became frightened and started to run. Just as he started to run, he heard the gun fire two more times. He noted that some people said the gun fired three times, but he felt there were four shots.

He ran to Elm Street from Pacific Street on Houston. When he had run about 100 yards, he stopped to catch his breath and upon looking back, saw a man he described as a white male, height 5' 8-10", dark hair, dark clothing, wearing some type of jacket, leave the building where he had seen the gun and start to run in the opposite direction from him.

He stated that last night when he saw photographs of LEE HARVEY OSWALD on television, he felt this was the person he had seen running away from the building. He stated this person did not look back, but he was certain this was a white person, since he had a profile view.

WORRELL stated he caught a bus home and probably would not have gone to the Police Department except he had heard Chief of Police CURRY make an appeal for persons who had seen anything to report what they had seen.

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by Special Agent LOUIS H. KELLEY/SA

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