

Total elapsed time from assassination of President Kennedy to entering of Texas Theater 49:25 minutes.

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Immediately after the shooting, the Dallas Police converged on the Texas School Book Depository and ascertained that Lee Harvey Oswald had not returned to work at the depository after having been seen departing from the building by other employees shortly after the shooting. Between 12:43 P.M. and 12:45 P.M. a description of the person wanted in the shooting was broadcast by the Dallas police. The wanted notice described the suspect as slender, white, male, about 30, 5' 10", 165 lbs., reportedly armed with a 30 caliber rifle. ✓

At about 1:17 P.M. Dallas police received a call from a citizen using a police radio from cruiser 10 stating that an officer had been shot in the 400 block of E. 10th Street.

At 1:18 P.M. the Dallas police had broadcast a report that an officer had been involved in a shooting in the 400 block of E. 10th Street. Officers responding to this call discovered that Officer J. D. Tippit of the Dallas Police Department had been shot by a man answering the description of the suspected assassin broadcast earlier. Witnesses stated that Oswald had been walking along west on the south side of 10th Street when Officer Tippit, driving east on 10th Street, pulled alongside and spoke to him. Oswald leaned on the open window of the stopped police car and said something to the officer. The officer then left the cruiser, using the left door, and started walking toward Oswald by walking around the front of the police car. Oswald had backed away from the cruiser and was standing near the sidewalk. As the officer rounded the left front fender of the police car, Oswald fired three shots. Shot once in the head, twice in the chest, Officer Tippit fell to the ground, mortally wounded, and never regained consciousness. Oswald turned, ran, and was observed by witnesses continuing west between Jefferson and 10th Streets (statements of the witnesses of the shooting are attached).

Shortly afterward, the police received a telephone call from the cashier of the Texas Theater at the insistence of another witness (Johnny Brewer) that a man had entered the theater under suspicious circumstances and without paying for his admission.

At 1:28 P.M. police broadcast that Officer Tippit was DOA at Methodist Hospital, and that the description of the suspect in the Tippit shooting and the description of the suspect in the President's assassination were similar. Radio traffic discloses that the suspect had been traced to the Texas Theater, 231 West Jefferson. Police surrounded the theater, placed on the house lights and identified the suspect sitting

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