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Mr. Robert MacNeil
NBC News
National Broadcasting Co.,

Dear Mr. MacNeil,

For some months I have been hoping to hear a comment from you on William Manchester's statement ("Death of a President", p. 279), that at the time of the assassination of President Kennedy you ran into the Texas School Book Depository Bldg to find a phone, bumped into Oswald, who paused to tell you where one was, and, what is inherent in this, failed to volunteer this information to the Commission and also failed to broadcast it on NBC.

Increasingly people are asking me about this. In answer, I give my opinion. Soon I will be writing about it.

I would, therefore, appreciate a statement from you on this.

Did it really happen?

If it did not, did anything happen that could have led Manchester to believe that you saw Oswald as he was leaving the TSBD?

Did Manchester interview you, in person, by phone, or by letter?

Do NBC News credentials at all resemble those of the Secret Service?

Have you ever been interviewed by the FBI, Secret Service or any other official agency about this incident, at any time.

If there is any comment you would care to offer, I would welcome it.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Weisberg