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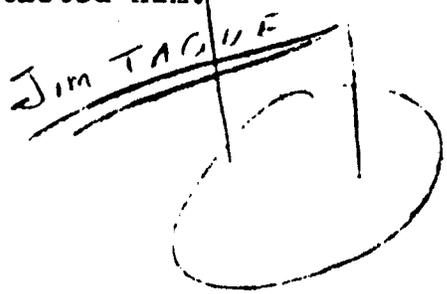
FROM : SAC SHANKLIN

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD, aka
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Inspector J. R. MALLEY called at 4:00 PM today and quoted the following UPI news release captioned "Assassination - Dallas"

A Dallas auto salesman told the Dallas Times Herald today that one of the three bullets fired during the assassination of President KENNEDY went wild, crashed into a curb and apparently hit him. Last week, KRLD TV said in a copyright story that the third shot went wild. The television station quoted a source close to the Warren Commission as saying the first bullet apparently struck both President KENNEDY and Texas Governor JOHN CONNALLY, and the second hit the President in the head.

The 27 year old salesman, who asked that his name not be used, said either the bullet or concrete chip grazed his face. In the interview, he said he was by a concrete abutment on the east side of the triple underpass watching the motorcade as it turned on Elm at Houston. It was that first shot -- then the second and the third, he said sometimes I think it was with the second, a bullet -- I am sure it was a bullet -- hit the curb in front of me and I felt a sting on my cheek. In the confusion that followed, I did not think any more about it until a policeman told me his face was bloody. I went back to where I was standing and saw the crease mark, obviously fresh on the curb. Apparently what hit me was the bullet ricocheting off the curb, or possibly even a part of the concrete, tho I doubt it. He said he was almost in a direct line from the Texas School Book Depository Bldg. on a downward angle in front of the KENNEDY car. He said he told his story that day to a Dallas detective and was interviewed by FBI Agents in mid December. He said the FBI talked to him about 15 minutes and seemed more concerned "about whether I knew JACK RUBY." He said the Warren Commission has not contacted him.

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