

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Mr. ROBERT S. HUFFAKER, JR., on interview at his residence, 4700 East Side Avenue, Apartment 115, furnished the following information:

He has been in Dallas for only seven months and is employed as a reporter for KRLD. He is not well acquainted in Dallas and prior to the time JACK RUBY shot OSWALD, he was not acquainted with RUBY, and to the best of his recollection had never seen RUBY before.

On the morning of November 24, 1963, he was assigned to get the story on the transfer of LEE HARVEY OSWALD from the Dallas City Jail to the Dallas County Jail, and he went to the Dallas Police and Courts Building for this purpose. He was required to show identification as a representative of the press in order to get into the basement of the Police Building and to get to the drive-through ramp in the basement where he was standing at the time of the shooting. He arrived at this position approximately thirty minutes prior to the shooting. Since he does not know RUBY, he would not recall whether RUBY was present in the crowd prior to the time he did the shooting or not.

He would estimate the number of people present in the basement of the Police and Courts Building at the time of the shooting as approximately 75 people divided equally between the press and police. He recognized JIM ENGLISH and BOB HINKLE with KRLD-TV camera and TOM PETIT, of NBC, and a French news representative, whose first name is FRANCOIS but whose last name he does not know, as being present at the time of the shooting.

He observed guards at both ends of the drive-through ramp and he saw officers searching the cars in the parking area in the basement prior to the time OSWALD was brought out of the jail. He also saw a patrol wagon driven through to the

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jail and observed Sgt. PURNAM of the Police Department search it before it was allowed into the basement. He was required to exhibit his press pass and vouch for JIM ENGLISH and BOB HINKLE with KRLD-TV as being representatives of KRLD since they did not have press passes.

Mr. HUFFAKER stated that he could not say through which way RUBY entered the basement of the Police and Courts Building since he never saw RUBY until the instant of the shooting and does not know where he came from. There was nothing that he observed that would indicate any conspiracy on the part of anyone to let RUBY into the crowd since all police personnel appeared to him to have been taken completely by surprise.

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