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GEORGE ROBERT PHENIX, 2550 Klondike, Newsmen with KRLD-TV, Dallas, advised that about 9:10 AM, November 24, 1963, he went to the Dallas Police Station in one of the KRLD mobile units, driven by WES WISE, also of KRLD-TV. This unit was clearly marked and easily recognized as a KRLD unit.

They drove to the basement from the Main Street side and WISE let him out near the basement entrance to the elevators. Then WISE immediately drove out on the Commerce Street side. There was no one on duty at the entrance and no one checked him at this time.

PHENIX set up his location across the ramp from the door leading from the elevators. Later, a uniformed officer was observed by him to be checking the various individuals in the basement and also checking the automobiles in the parking area in the basement. One officer came up to PHENIX, looked closely at him, and appeared to have recognized him, inasmuch as he was not required to produce any identification. He feels sure he was not required to produce identification, because the officer recognized him as a representative of KRLD-TV. PHENIX was too busy setting up and maintaining his position to observe what precautions were taken at the various entrances to prevent entry of unauthorized persons. No other newsmen have said anything to him about having been asked for their identification at the time of their entrance to the building. He, personally, does not know whether the security set up by the Police Department covered all entrances to the Police Department or was confined to the basement area.

Other than the checking of persons in the vicinity of the elevator exit in the basement, as observed by him, he has no idea of what precautions were taken at the various entrances to the building. PHENIX advised he was almost knocked down as OSWALD approached the ramp en route to the automobile which was to transport him to the County Jail. At first, he thought this was possibly the individual who shot OSWALD. Since that time, he has reviewed the film of the shooting and has decided the person who bumped into him could not possibly have been JACK RUBY, inasmuch as RUBY came toward OSWALD from an entirely different angle. He could not recall having seen RUBY in the basement prior to the time he shot OSWALD. PHENIX's eyes were on OSWALD and he was not actually looking at RUBY. When the shot was fired, there was immediately so much confusion and so many people milling about that he could not distinguish RUBY.

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