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Mrs. ERIG (CARDLYN) WALTHER, 4118 Shelley, Dallas, Texas, stated she is employed in the cutting room for Miller and Randazzo, a dress factory, on the third floor of the Dal-Tex Mart Building, 501 Elm Street, Dallas.

On November 22, 1963, she and another employee, Mrs. PEARL SPRINGER, ate lench at 12:00 noon and left the lunch room at about 12:20 FM to go down on the atres to see President KENNEDY ride by. They walked out of the front door of the building, orossed the street, and stoped at a point on the east side of Souston Street, about fifty or sixty feet south of the south ourb of Elm Street. They stepped next to the ourb to swait the passing of the President. While standing there, she started looking around, and looked over toward the Texas Echool Fook Depository (morn) Building. The noticed a man wearing a brown suit and a very dark and shirt leaning out a window of the third floor, somewhere about the middle window of the third floor. Shortly after thic, a man in the crowd torous the street to the west of where she was standing apparently has an epileptic seizure, and an ambulance come by and took the man away. Shortly after the ambulance loft, she looked back toward the TSAN Building and saw a man standing on either the fourth or fifth floor in the southeast corner window. This would be the most canterly window of either the fourth or fifth floors, of the winters on the south mide of the building, which faces toward Rin Street. This man had the window open and was standing un leaning out the window with both him hands extended cutside the window ledge. In his hands, this man was holding a rifle with the barrel pointed downward, and the man was looking south on Houston Street. The man was wearing a white shirt and had blond or light brown hair. She recalled at the time that she had not noticed the mon there a few mements previously when she looked toward the notiding and thought that apparently there were guirds everywhere. The rifle had a short barrel and seemed large around the stock or end of the rifle. Her impression was that the gun was a machine gun. She noticed nothing like a telescopic eight on the rifle or a leather strap or sling on the rifle. She said she knows nothing about rilles or guns of any type, but

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thought that the rifle was different from any she had ever seen. This man was standing in about the middle of the window. In the same window, to the left of this man, she could see a portion of snother man standing by the side of this man with a rifle. This other man was standing erect, and his head was above the opened portion of the window. As the window was very dirty, she could not see the head of this second man. She is positive this window was not as high as the sixth floor. This second man was apparently wearing a brown suit cost, and the only thing she could see was the right side of the man, from about the waist to the shoulders.

Almost immediately after noticing this man with the rifle and the other man standing beside him, scmeone in the crowd said "Here they come," and she looked to her left, looking south on Houston Street, to see the Presidential Party. As soon as President KENNEDY's car passed where she was standing, she and Mrs. SPRINGER turned away and started walking north toward Elm Street. A about the time they reached the curb at Elm Street, she heard a loud report and thought it was fireworks. There was a pause after this first report, then a second and third report almost at the same time, and then a pause followed by at least one and possibly more reports. The noise seemed to come from up in the air, but she never looked up in any direction. When the second report sounded, she decided it was gunfire, so she and Mrs. SPRINGER started diagonally across the street toward the TSBD Building. About the time she got across the street, she heard someone yell that the President had been hit. She stopped a moment and listered to the police radio on a motorcycle, then returned to the building across the street where she works. She returned to her job at about 12:45 PM.