
SALEM MACK PATE, commonly known as SAM PATE, 310
Beautycrest Drive, telephone AT 6-2460, who is employed by
Jay's Home Furnishings, 2717 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas,
telephone RI 2-8866, voluntarily appeared at the Dallas FBI
Office.

Mr. PATE advised that on November 22, 1963, he was
employed as a newman for Radio Station KBOX and, as such, was
in a mobile news unit, red in color, 1963 Pontiac Catalina
Station Wagon. While parked in this mobile news unit, accom-
panied by a friend, JOSH DOWDELL, JR., residence address unknown,
telephone number LA 1-9117, at the Trade Mart exit of the north
bound Stemmons Freeway in Dallas, Texas, PATE heard of a shooting
over his police radio, which was on Channel 2.

He did not, at the time, know that the shooting in-
volved the President, but immediately made a U-turn and pro-
ceeded south in the north bound lane of Stemmons Freeway. At
about the Continental Street exit, he met the President's car
and the follow-up car, together with its motorcycle escort,
proceeding at a rapid rate of speed north on Stemmons Freeway.
Mr. PATE stated he did not realize, at this time, that the
President was the person who had been shot. Mr. PATE advised
he exited from the Stemmons Freeway on the Continental exit
north bound by making a partial U-turn. He then proceeded on
Continental Street to Lamar Street, turned right on Lamar Street,
and proceeded to the first street, name unknown, before Pacific,
where he turned right and drove on a street that was under con-
struction, which curved to the left into what would be Houston
Street at Pacific, if Houston Street continued as a through
street. There was a barricade due to construction immediately
after he crossed some railroad tracks and some unknown man
moved this barricade and Mr. PATE then parked his mobile news unit, accompanied by Mr. DOWDELL, approximately forty to fifty feet north from the northeast corner of the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) Building.

Mr. PATE estimated that, within approximately four minutes after he first heard of a shooting, he was at the rear of the TSBD. He stated there were policemen entering the rear door of the TSBD and that he noticed some police were already in the building. He saw no one other than policemen come out of this door. He stated he was at this location for more than

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one hour because he was still there when he learned over his radio that Dallas-Police Officer J. D. TIPPIT and the President were both dead.

Mr. PATE stated that, within five to ten minutes after his arrival at the rear of the TSBD, he noticed a white male individual, in his late teens or early 20's, approximately 5'9", weighing approximately 160 pounds, with brown, thick hair, running north on Houston Street coming towards him and that this individual crossed Houston Street to the side opposite of the TSBD when he got about even with the northeast corner of the TSBD. He stated this individual continued across Houston Street and proceeded east along the railroad tracks next to the building directly across Houston Street from the TSBD.

Mr. PATE stated this individual, to his knowledge, did not stop or look back. He stated this individual was definitely not LEE HARVEY OSWALD, because he saw OSWALD at the Dallas Police Station that night.

Mr. PATE was exhibited the March 6, 1964, edition of the "Dallas Times Herald" newspaper, on Page 1 of which there appeared a photograph of JAMES RICHARD WORRELL. Mr. PATE stated he could not say whether the individual he saw running was WORRELL, but was positive it was not OSWALD.

Mr. PATE stated he talked with numerous people in...
the area about what had happened, but does not recall the identities of any of them as there was considerable commotion. Mr. PATE stated, however, he feels positive no one came out of the rear door of the TSBD. He stated he had a conversation on the night of March 9, 1963, with JOSH DOWDELL, JR., who was with him at the TSBD on November 22, 1963, and that DOWDELL told him he could not recall the individual that was seen running across the street and did not even know what he looked like.

Mr. PATE stated he was dismissed from his employment by KBOX Radio Station on November 23, 1963, due to a cut in personnel. He stated that there is a 33 1/3 rpm long-playing record album entitled, "Four Days That Shock The World," which has been put on the market by UPI and Colpix Records, which allegedly contains the actual news tape coverage by Mr. PATE,