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JAMES EILBERT RONACK, residence 10825 Benbrook Drive, Dallas, Texas, furnished the following information in addition to that which he had furnished to the FBI on March 7, 1964:

RONACK and fellow employee POP RACKLEY had walked from the Missouri-Kansas-Texas Railroad Freight Depot into the trailer lot area at about 12:30 PM, on November 22, 1963. RONACK had walked ahead of RACKLEY, about 20', and both of them were in an area approximately 200' north of the Texas School Book Depository (TSBD) Building. RONACK stated he was just killing time as he had some time left in his lunch period and had observed a crowd of people at the corner of Elm and Houston Streets. This reminded him that the Presidential motorcade was due to come by; however, he was unable to see or hear anything in connection with this motorcade because of the crowd of people. He also observed that there were five or six welders working in the trailer lot north of the TSBD Building, but RONACK stated he did not talk to any of these people and does not know the identity of any of them.

After hearing the three shots, he walked south towards the TSBD Building to a point where he was about 75' north of the northeast corner of the building and in an area to observe the rear exit to this building, which is located at the northeast corner of the building. At about this time, the radio news car of Radio Station KBOX, with SAM PATE driving, appeared on the scene and RONACK removed a barricade from the street so PATE could get through and park in an area about 75' north of the rear exit of the building. He stayed in the area for approximately five to eight minutes until the police took over the area. During this time, he watched the rear door coin-
continuously and stated definitely that no one came out of this building through this door.

ROMACK advised he saw no one who resembled LEE HARVEY OSWALD in the area, either before or after the shots were fired, and observed no one running from the area of the TSBD Building during the time he was watching the building.

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