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ROY LEE LOWERY, 838 W. Church, Grand Prairie, Texas, telephone AN 2-1497, employed as a detective, Juvenile Bureau, Dallas Police Department, advised on November 24, 1963, he was assigned to the Security Detail regarding transfer of LEE HARVEY OSWALD from the Dallas City Jail to the Dallas County Jail. In this regard, he was stationed during the pertinent period outside the jail office at the bottom of the ramp where a corridor leads to the jail office. He was in position five or ten minutes before OSWALD was brought out of the jail office and walked five or six paces (about 12 to 15 feet) when JACK LEON RUBY lunged from the opposite side of the ramp, from the area of reporters, toward OSWALD. RUBY shot point-blank at OSWALD's stomach as he ran. LOWERY stated he and several others grabbed RUBY.

LOWERY stated that upon being assigned to the Security Detail, he had received his instructions from Captain O. A. JONES, Forgery Bureau. Said instructions related to where he was to stand and the fact that the area was to be kept open and no one was to be let into the area except officers and press representatives.

LOWERY advised that he understood that prior to receiving his instructions, the area had been secured. LOWERY related further with regard to his exact position at the time of the shooting, he was on the right of Detective J. R. LEAVELLE who had just come even with him.

LOWERY stated that Chief LUMKIN and Chief CHARLES BARTOLLO were in the area at the time of the shooting.

LOWERY stated that he recalled the Channel 5 Television camera was rolled down the corridor to the ramp area just prior to the arrival of OSWALD in the area. He stated that he, too, was under the impression that there were three men pushing this camera and all had their heads down. He stated as it passed him at the entrance of the corridor at the ramp, it was pushed across the ramp drive down to the ramp going to the basement parking area and stopped several

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feet behind the line of newsmen and reporters. He stated this camera was never put into operation, the cable was never connected, and the ~~ALERT~~ cap was never taken off. LOWERY stated that following the shooting, the actions of the two cameramen who pushed the camera from the area was brought to the attention of Lieutenant R. E. SWAIN, JR., and they were taken to the Homicide and Robbery Bureau for questioning. LOWERY advised he was of the opinion JACK LEON RUBY probably entered pertinent area under the pretext of being with the above mentioned Channel 5 Television newsmen.

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