

# Boy Tells of Horror When Bullet Struck

Dallas, Nov. 22 [Special]—A wide-eyed 14-year-old boy, who was standing 10 feet away and looking directly at President Kennedy at the time of the assassination, told THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE of his astonishment at watching the historic event unfold.

"It made me weak! I felt like sitting down! It was horrible!" Alan Smith, a Boy Scout and a 9th grade pupil at Stockard Junior High school, related.

"I was standing on the curb watching the parade along Main street. We were permitted to skip school, if we had a note from our parents, to watch it.

## Cheers, Then Screams

"The crowds were cheering, but all at once they changed to screaming. The car was about 10 feet from me when a bullet hit the President in his forehead. The bullets came from a window right over my head in the building in front of which my friends and I were standing.

"Mr. Kennedy had a big wide smile. But when he was hit, his face turned blank. There was no smile, no frown—nothing. He fell down over Jackie's knees and didn't say anything.

"She stood up screaming,

'God, oh God, no.' There was blood all over her and everything. She tried to raise him up but he fell back over her.

## Gov. Connally Moans

"It sounded like the governor [John B. Connally] moaned when he was hit, I couldn't be sure.

"The car went about five feet and stopped. Two policemen on foot rushed up. Then motorcycle policemen who had been leading the parade came back.

"In a few minutes there were hundreds of policemen around the Dallas School Depository building, where they said the shots came from. They stuck ladders up to the building. They surrounded the whole place and moved the crowds away, so I had to leave.

"Everything seemed terrible all over Dallas. Crowds of people were running all thru the city. I never saw anything like this before."