

3/11/65

William Kachoma  
545 W. 126 St  
George Washington H.S.  
Age 17

Seated with mother in  
front facing back of hall.

W got up to speak.  
2 men jumped up. One  
said "Get your hands out of  
my pocket."

heard shots. From  
the front. Then back.

Saw the 2 men run about a  
few feet back. The W ducked  
Didn't see who

-fired in front. Heard many  
shots after W ducked.  
More shots out front. Then  
~~back~~ shots in back

Could only see one of  
the 2 men who stood up.  
Positive neither Butler,  
John nor Hayer one of the  
men. This based on length of  
hair and complexion

On the day Malcolm<sup>x</sup> was  
shot, I was seated in the ballroom  
in a booth on the left. After  
Malcolm was introduced, I saw 2 men  
stand up in the audience, one said  
Get your hands out of my pockets. I then  
heard a shot from near the stage.  
I turned to look toward the stage,  
then I fell to the ground. As  
I fell, I saw the 2 men who stood  
take 5 or 6 paces toward the rear of  
the hall. I have been shown  
photographs of various men by the  
detectives, but since I did not  
get a look at the full face of  
either of the two men, I cannot  
say whether or not any of the  
men whose photographs I was  
shown, were or were not the  
either of the men who stood  
up and caused the disturbance.  
Among the photographs that I have been  
shown were photographs of Norman Butler,  
Thomas Johnson and Talmadge Meyer.

Billy Keshingama

April 16, 1965

Det. Lt. J. Cavallaro #407 - 4-16-65 - 1130 AM

4-16-65 TR: ADA office

Bill Kochigian

arrived Ballroom 2-21-65 about 2:15 PM  
sat left side booth facing toward away from  
stage. 1st speaker Benjamin spoke about 15 min.  
He came onto stage was introduced, Ben left  
stage, guards were changing. He came out to speak  
middle of audience 2 men stood up one said  
get your hands out of my pocket. I took a  
glance at M before I heard shots. A lot  
of shots. 1st shot I thought came from front  
& maybe other shots went out I thought from middle  
or back, but I'm not too sure about from where  
shots came. I took a glance at M & I saw him  
clutch his chest. I got down putting my head  
down & saw nothing else.

— Personal Comments

- Saw 2 men stand up. "Get hands out of pocket"
- heard shot my front,
- looked, saw man clutch chest
- looked back saw men running, saw steps back  
from 1st position
- heard more shots can't be sure from where.
- ducked down saw nothing else
- viewed photos incl. Bill & Hazel Johnson not sure if  
they were or were not there

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