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Pool Report on Presidential shooting.

~~XXXX~~ The President was leaving the Washington Hilton ^a in Florida Avenue. at about 2,25 pm by ~~the~~ door next to the main canopied entrance,

Your pool was walking towards the door to watch the president's exit. Suddenly a series of shots rang out. They were light fire-arm type reports. Six in all. Shouts of "Get down," "Getb back," "Get down." A small ~~halitex~~ cloud of smoke rose ~~from~~ above the crowd of maybe one hundred waiting to see the president. People ran. Knelt, cowered.

A group of wrestling bodies, mostly secret service agents and police was pinning someone beside a 15 foot high wall, about 20 feet from where the president left the hotel. On the floor were three bodies. The only one ~~XXXXXX~~ we could recognize was Jim Brady. Blood was pouring from a wound in his right temple into a grid which ran across the sidewalk. He was about six feet from where the wrestling match was going on. ~~xxx~~ He was lying face down on the ground, raised his head once or twice. Someone placed a handkerchief under his head, but a pool of blood had already formed on the sidewalk. A small hand gun was lying near his head. The

Two other bodies were all within ~~xx~~ three yards of Brady, lying still. Their wounds were not visible, but later as one was put into the ambulance his shirt appeared to have been torn down the back and their was blood near his spine. He was screaming in pain as he was being put in the ambulance. Back at the wrestling match, at least one secret service agent had his oozie-type submachine gun out and was waving the crowd back. Finally a police car backed into the ~~xxx~~ service alley and the suspect, looking to be a fair-haired white maile in his late twenties or thirties with his hands cuffed behind his back was bundled in.

We saw the president being shoved into his car by a bundle of secret service men as the shots rang out. David Propseri said shortly afterwards he was not wounded. Mike Putzel of A.P. was watching the president. He said: "He started to turn towards us. Then the popping (of the shots) came. Reagan just stood x there motionless for a second, and then was shoved very hard f into the limo. The smile just sort of washed off his face." Frank H. McNamara, of the Millwrights Union, from Parma, Ohio, a delegate ~~of~~ at the convention was standing near the assailant. (A tape recorder confirmed there were six, in fact). He said: "The guy pulled a gun. He fired four shots." /Next to McNamara a ~~friend~~ friend was sobbing. Cardell Ellis, a voucher examiner in the government office opposite the Hilton saw the shooting from the sixth-floor window. He said: "We were watching Reagan come out, wave to the crowd, Next thing we heard was all the shots, and people shouting. " * It took about 15 minutes for the last of the three victims to be taken to hospital."

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