

THE CROSSING
Chapter 8

John L. Sitzman's statement
to investigators

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December 15, 1961
3:45 P.M.

At 7:45 A.M. on December 14, 1961, I saw the school bus approaching the railroad crossing and heard the train who was doing an unusual amount of wistling for crossing. I turned to advise my grand daughter Marsha that the bus was coming. I was standing about 25 feet from barn and 20 feet from fence. I was looking at the crossing from a distance 1/2 mile from north to south east. When I turned back to look at crossing and the accident had already happened. I then went to accident scene. I did not see train hit the bus and did not see if bus was stopped or not.

/S/ John S. Sitsman

(Mr. Sitsman lives approximately 1/2 mile north east of the crossing and his property adjoins the crossing on the north side of the road. he was standing in his yard, looking towards the crossing across the field, but he did not see the impact.)