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Shooting Termed 'Unjust'

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A white private security guard charged with the shooting death of a black youth he had tried to apprehend for shoplifting in an Oak Cliff drug store Tuesday night was moved to the Dallas County jail Wednesday for minimum security.

The slain youth was identified late Wednesday at the county morgue by two brothers as Robert Rains Lee, 16, of 6818 Mable.

Lee was shot through the head and died three hours later at Parkland Hospital after he was observed by the guard allegedly trying to leave the store's Drug Store at 325 E. Jefferson with some record albums, police reported.

Witnesses said the youth dropped records inside the store and was running down the sidewalk when Gene Guinn fired one time, striking him in the right temple.

Guinn, 42, turned a .45-caliber automatic pistol over to police at the scene.

Witnesses said Guinn, who was dressed in plain clothes and wore a

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baseball cap, did not identify himself as a security officer until after the shooting.

A woman customer said she was knocked to the floor as Guinn rushed to block the youth at the main door. Witnesses said Guinn stepped outside, shouted, and then fired one shot.

The guard then walked up to the

fallen youth, returned to the store, collected the records on the floor and laid them beside the body.

Although Guinn did not have a current private guard's permit, police said he was a licensed gun dealer and eligible to transport or carry arms.

Guinn was assigned to the drug store by the Empire Security Serv-

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ices. The firm is owned by TECOG Services, Inc., whose principal stockholders include Mayor Pro Temp George Allen.

In charging Guinn with murder, Detective Lt. Charles Burnley termed the shooting "an unjustifiable act." Burnley said the guard opened fire after the youth had abandoned the records inside the store and was posing no threat to the guard's life by fleeing.

Guinn was held overnight in the city jail after Municipal Judge George Martinez set bond at \$25,000.

Guinn was known to Dallas police for his reputed support of the Dallas activities of the American Nazi party in the 1950s. He publicly denied any

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connection with the party, explaining that he once "borrowed a uniform and marched with them."

Guinn was one of six men detained by Dallas police shortly after President John F. Kennedy was assassinated here Nov. 22, 1963.

Police arrested Guinn's group as they picketed near the Trade Mart where the President was to speak after word reached the officers of Kennedy's being shot.

The pickets were booked for investigation of conspiring to murder the President. They were freed two days later and Guinn, still later, filed suit against two detectives and their superior, charging them with false arrest.

After an unsuccessful run for a City Council post in 1969, Guinn, who listed himself then as an industrial artist, tried to unseat State Sen. Oscar Mauzy of Dallas in 1972.

The slain youth, police said, was declared a delinquency problem in Dallas County Juvenile Court last December. Records showed he had been arrested 12 times since 1970 for offenses that included shoplifting, burglary, breaking and entering and disruption of school.



Gene Guinn (white cap) transfers to county jail.

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