

I had made this request because of something in Ralston's book. There was a change between the typescript and the printed version, re time Givens saw LHO on sixth floor. The change is not reflected on any typescript I've seen. I wrote them to see if I could find out more about who made or authorized the change. Didn't get very far.

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Mr. Howard Roffman
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Dear Mr. Roffman:

This is in reply to your letter of May 1, 1976, concerning the records of the Warren Commission.

We have located the original (ribbon) copy of the transcript of Charles Givens's testimony, a carbon copy, the processed (electrostatic) copy which is the file copy, and the printer's copy which was furnished to the Government Printing Office. Enclosed are copies of page 19 in the original (ribbon copy) and of pages 19, 23, and 24 in the printer's copy. These are the only copies of these three pages on which changes were made. Eight of the processed (electrostatic) copies of the transcript of the testimony were furnished to the Commission by Ward and Paul. One of these processed copies is the Commission's file copy and one was used as the printer's copy. There may be other processed copies in the extra copies of transcripts we have, but it would take considerable time to locate them.

We have found no records that would indicate who made or authorized the changes in the transcript, when they were made, or why they were made.

Sincerely,

(MISS) JANE F. SMITH
Director
Civil Archives Division



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16 MR. BELIN: Did you see the orders on the
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19 hand.

20 MR. BELIN: Did he have any ^{books} ~~papers~~ in his hand,
21 or he was carrying?

22 MR. GIVENS: No, sir.

23 MR. BELIN: Did you ever fill orders in November
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25 MR. GIVENS: Yes, sir.

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MR. BELIN: All right, he was walking with his

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hand.

MR. BELIN: Did he have any boxes in his hand
that he was carrying?

MR. GIVENS: No, sir.

MR. BELIN: Did you ever fill orders in November
on the Sixth Floor?

MR. GIVENS: Yes, sir.

MR. GIVENS: We turned and started back down

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to the parking lot.

MR. BELIN: Then what did you do?

MR. GIVENS: Then when we heard the shots, by the time we got along in front, right across in front of the Record Building, then we heard the shots.

MR. BELIN: I want to backtrack a minute before we come to the shots. When did you eat lunch?

MR. GIVENS: When did I eat lunch? I ate lunch after. Let's see, no, I ate lunch before I went up there, because I stood outside and ate my sandwich standing out there.

MR. BELIN: You ate your lunch outside?

MR. GIVENS: Yes, sir. Standing in front of the building.

MR. BELIN: In front of what building?

MR. GIVENS: Texas School Book.

MR. BELIN: Did you ever eat any lunch inside the building?

MR. GIVENS: Yes, sir, I eat inside the building all the time.

MR. BELIN: On November 22, did you eat inside the building?

MR. GIVENS: No, sir.

MR. BELIN: Now you said you saw Lee Oswald on the Sixth Floor around 11:45?

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MR. GIVENS: Right.

MR. BELIN: Did you see Lee Oswald anywhere else in the building between 11:45 and the time you left the building?

MR. GIVENS: No, sir.

MR. BELIN: On November 22nd?

MR. GIVENS: No, sir.

MR. BELIN: Did you see him in the Domino Room at all around anywhere between 11:30 and 12:00 or 12:30?

MR. GIVENS: No, sir.

MR. BELIN: Did you see him reading the newspaper?

MR. GIVENS: No, not that day. I did -- he generally sit in there every morning. He would come to work and sit in there and read the paper, the next day paper, like if the day was Tuesday, he would read Monday's paper in the morning when he would come to work, but he didn't that morning because he didn't go in the Domino Room that morning. I didn't see him in the Domino Room that morning.

MR. BELIN: How do you know it was the previous day paper that he read?

MR. GIVENS: Because he would be sitting there and I would look at him, when he got through and got up to go to work, I would get it and look at it.