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Mr. Liebeler. When did you see the man run off?

Mr. Reynolds. When I ran upstairs and ran around to the right to get this towel, and he came up out of the basement. I saw him and two more people saw him.

Mr. Liebeler. You then got the towel. Did you call the police?

Mr. Reynolds. I was able to call the police. Then I laid down for just for a few minutes, and the ambulance got there and carried me to the hospital, and by some miracle, I survived, very much a miracle. The police got the call at 9:19 p.m. in the evening of January 23.

Mr. Liebeler. Now were you able to identify the individual who ran up out of the basement?

Mr. Reynolds. No.

Mr. Liebeler. Do you have any idea who it was?

Mr. Reynolds. No.

Mr. Lieber. What kind of fellow did he look like? Did you get a physical description of him?

Mr. Reynolds. No; it was just a blur to me. It was just a blur, but the people that saw him said he was around 5 foot 4, weight around 130 or 140 pounds, and was either Spanish or Cuban or Indian or something like that; not Negro.

Mr. Liebeler. He was not a Negro, but he was of a foreign extraction or foreign appearing, or dark colored?

Mr. Reynolds. Yes; dar colored, the way they described him. He had a rifle. (§ 11 H 437-8)

Mr. Liebeler. Do you have any idea as to who it might be other than the fact, as you have previously explained before, it might be that since your (sic) were associated in some way with Oswald's apprehension in the Texas Theatre, that somebody wanted to get you for that?

Mr. Reynolds. A lot of people thought that I followed him all the way to the Texas Theatre and pointed him out in the theatre. A lot of people, just rumors, thought that, and a lot of people still think it. (11H439)

Mr. Liebeler. Have you considered, when you thought about this problem, that there are other people that actually went down to the police station and viewed Oswald in lineups, and have testified in Washington before this Commission, and received international publicity in connection with the identification of Oswald as the murderer of Tippit and that so far at any rate they have not been attacked in any way such as you were?

Mr. Reynolds. Yes; I have.

Mr. Liebeler. Can you suggest to me why you were picked out to be shot for this reason and not these other people?

Mr. Reynolds. The ones that I know, I am the only aggressor in the whole bunch. I am the only one that actually did something more than just look. I actually did something.

Mr. Liebeler. But that is the only distinction you can see between yourself and those other people?

Mr. Reynolds. That's right.

Mr. Liebeler. Have you discussed this question of the possible relationship between your shooting and the assassination, with General Walker?

Mr. Reynolds. Yes; I have.

Mr. Liebeler. What did you say to him and what did he say to you about this matter, if you remember.

Mr. Reynolds. Oh, I said to him basically the same thing that I have said to you, and he said it could be and he thinks that it's strange that I was shot. I think anybody would think it strange. But of course, if you have ever talked to him, he wouldn't say yes or no.

Mr. Liebeler. Does General Walker know of any facts, so far as you know, that would relate your shooting to the assassination?

Mr. Reynolds. No.

Mr. Liebeler. He has never expressed a firm opinion to you one way or the other as to whether there was in fact, any connection between the two, has he?

Mr. Reynolds. Let me just let him answer that when he talks to you.

Mr. Liebeler. Did you know that he is going to talk to us?

Mr. Reynolds. Yes; I do.

Mr. Liebeler. How do you know that?

Mr. Reynolds. I talked to him.

Mr. Liebeler. Talked to him since he have invited him to come over and talk to us?

Mr. Reynolds. Yes.

Mr. Liebeler. When is the last time you talked to General Walker?

Mr. Reynolds. ~~At about noon today.~~ Around noon today.

Mr. Liebeler. Talked to him on the telephone? Or in person?

Mr. Reynolds. Telephone; yes.

Mr. Liebeler. Did you discuss with him your appearance before the Commission here? =

Mr. Reynolds. yes.

Mr. Liebeler. Would you tell us the general subject of your conversation?

Mr. Reynolds. I just don't want to answer that, really.

Mr. Liebeler. Preceding your conversation at noon today, when was the last time you talked to him before that, do you remember, approximately?

Mr. Reynolds. About a week ago. Maybe 2 weeks.

Mr. Liebeler. How many times have you talked to him about this question altogether?

Mr. Reynolds. I have no idea; five or six.

Mr. Liebeler. Now, in fact, General Walker sent a telegram to the Commission suggesting that we take your testimony, did he not?

Mr. Reynolds. Yes.

Mr. Liebeler. You knew that he did? Did he tell you that?

Mr. Reynolds. Yes. May I go off the record?

Mr. Liebeler. Sure. (11H440-1)

Mr. Reynolds. I would like to say something that might be important. About 3 weeks after I got out of the hospital, which would be around the 20th of February, my little 10-year-old daughter--somebody tried to pick her up, tried to get her in a car.

Now, again, whether that has any connection or not, I don't know, but it did happen, and it never had happened before nor after. But they even offered her money. She was smart enough to run and get away. (11H441-2)