To the Editor:

Anthony Lewis tries to discredit the theory that Jack Ruby killed Lee Harvey Oswald as part of a conspiracy by citing that a postal inspector, Harry Holmes, went to the police station and interrogated Oswald for half an hour, and "without the accident of his presence, Oswald would have left the building long before Ruby arrived" ("J.F.K.," column, Jan. 9).

It seems incongruous that the police let Mr. Holmes question the suspect — unless it was to give Ruby time to reach the police station.

I mention this only to add a more plausible explanation for Mr. Holmes's questioning. It's hard to fathom that a civilian with no apparent involvement would be allowed to question a man who was in custody for the assassination of the President. Rather than throw cold water on an alleged Ruby-Oswald link, Mr. Holmes's presence fuels the conspiracy theory.

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