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Subject: Re: Possible newspaper request?
Tim, I checked out Posner's cite, he offers a benign explanation and says that it is entirely plausible that the Star could have enough information to run an extra. He claims that the extra ran shortly after noon, New Zealand time. There is a problem with Posner's research, however. In his cite, he claims that the assassination took place at 7:30 a.m. New Zealand time. However, we have a copy of the Christchurch Press [the second newspaper in Christchurch, not the one cited by Prouty] from Nov 25, and it clearly states, in a wire service report, that Kennedy was shot at 6:30 a.m. New Zealand time. Since we were able to determine the time difference by taking the simple step of reading a paper, and Posner got the time wrong, it would lead me to believe that he did not take this basic step. This would call into question the credibility of his research and conclusion on this topic. I am not verifying Prouty's version of the Star allegation. The paper may well have had plenty of time to cull enough information to run an extra, and this might very well not be anything questionable. I merely suggest that we need to continue this research on our own, because we cannot rely on Posner here. [In this case, it would appear he is less "actually useful" than in others! ;-)] I have plotted out a suggested course of research for us to follow. Here is what I will do:1. Thanks to efforts by both Eric and myself, we have found the Web site and e-mail address of the New Zealand National Archives. I am going to send out an e-mail to Archives from the Review Board (complete with explanation of who we are and what our mandate is), asking both if their newspaper collection includes the Christchurch Star, and if they have a copy of the extra from Nov 23 1963 that we could get. I also am hoping that they can hook me up with someone who can confirm for me what time the extra hit the presses and hit the streets.2. Tom recently received a set of wire service reports from the day of the assassination; I am going to cull through them in order to put together a timeline of press reports for that day. Things I will be looking for include: when did the press report the events of the day; specifically, when did it become known that Oswald had been arrested, and when did his background begin to find its way into press reports? Knowing the timeline will help us better interpret whether the Star could have had enough information to run their extra.To: Christopher Barger/ARRB, Eric Scheinkopf/ARRBcc: Douglas Horne/ARRBFrom: Tim Wray/ARRBDate: 09/12/96 09:20:21 AMSubject: Re: Possible newspaper request?FYI: Posner talks about this story from Prouty in Case Closed and, if I recall correctly, cites some researcher's work as having proved that Prouty is incorrect about this. Let's try to run down the story ourselves, but we should also try to get whatever reference Posner cites.Doug: thought you'd like a copy of this note just for fun since it shows [yet another?] case where Posner is actually useful. . . ;)

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