

February 4, 1969 12 o'clock - noon

Statement of Guy W. Canipes Sr. 424 So. Main St.

525-0439

Mr. Canipes states that he did not examine any items left in front of his place of business, he did not know at the time what these items were.

A man who dropped the items, appeared to be walking away toward the South on So. Main St. Mr. Canipes saw only the back of this man. As best Mr. Canipes could tell he was a white man, weight, estimated at between 175lbs to 200 lbs. Approximate estimate of the age of this man was between twenty and thirty years and the height is estimated at about 6 ft. tall. He observed that a dark suit was being worn by this man.

Two colored men, Mr. Canipes did not know either one, were in his place of business but he did not observe what they (the colored men) were doing at the time the man passed by and dropped these items.

Mr. Canipes does not know the habits of Stephens, although he has seen Stephens drunk on the street on several occasions. Mr. Canipes stated to Hugh Stanton Jr. that these items were in front of his place of business about 10 minutes when a Deputy Sherriff came up to take charge of them.

*refused to sign statement.*