

Transcript from Interview on September 24<sup>th</sup> at home of Ruth Ryder. Alumni Ellen (Petty) Hendix and Ruth Ryder; Dr. Mary Ryder, (Ruth's daughter); and interviewer, Jessica Griffen.

Dr. Mary Ryder: Now Ellen, you said you talked to the night watchman at night.

Ellen Hendrix: Oh yes, when... I'd be telling my friends that knew I was working on the Index, and we'd usually work until midnight, uh, why, he'd come through and people who knew him said, 'Well, you are going to have to watch out for that guy! Why he's just onery; he's mean. [Oh?] And you wouldn't even want to talk to him!' But we really, thoroughly enjoyed that man!

[Chuckles]

Jessica Griffen: What was he like? What did he look like?

EH He was kinda short and dark. I don't know, I don't really remember too much. I'd recognize his picture if I saw it.

MR: Did he clean that whole building? Was he the only maintenance man?

EH: Oh no! [MR: Oh good!] He was just the man assigned to us for night duty.