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LEO HOLDEN PARKER, No. 15254, Missouri State
Penitentiary, received April 19, 1968, to serve 15 years for
Armed Robbery-1st said he was released on parole to Dismas
House in St. Louis, Missouri, on June 1, 1967, after serving
13 years for murder in Illinois. He said he was arrested on
July 18, 1968, for having kidnaped a boy and girl and robbing
them of money and their car. The car was recovered in St. Louis,
Missouri. He said this crime was committed on July 11, 1967,
and he was arrested on July 18, 1968, and subsequently tried.

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He noted the newspaper articles stated that the kidnaper had mentioned being recently escaped from prison and among other things had blue eyes. He has brown eyes. He said, while in jail, he talked to everyone he could to find out what prisoners had escaped from Illinois and Missouri. He was told be a prisoner at the St. Louis Jail that JAMES RAY had escaped. This was in September of 1967. He said this prisoner, whose name he could not recall if he ever knew it, said that RAY had been in St. Louis all summer; had a car; was using or pushing narcotics and was living and eating in a garage and had been making money by various hold-ups. PARKER said he tried to get his attorney to send for a photograph of RAY, but this was not done.

PARKER said that he did not see a photograph of RAY until this last week when pictures were published of him in newspapers in connection with the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. He noted the close resemblance between him and RAY. He said he thinks RAY is responsible for the crime for which he is serving time and he is therefore desirous of doing everything he can to help locate RAY.

PARKER said a large blow-up picture of him was used in his trial, but the picture had been "touched up" to remove facial scars. He noted he has tattoos on his arms that would show and yet the witnesses did not recall them. He said he believed the victims had been influenced in identifying him by the St. Louis Police. He claims he had a good alibi and did not commit the crime, but was convicted on his record and from biased testimony based on faulty identification of

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photograph, although the record indicates it was a court room identification.

PARKER said the victims were RITA BROCKELMAN, 1502 A Montgomery, St. Louis, Missouri, and GEORGE MC QUADE, JR., 4708 Plover, St. Louis, Missouri. He said the case was investigated by JOHN LEPPING and EDWARD ALLERS, Fifth District, St. Louis Police Department.

PARKER said he was in jail at St. Louis for ten months, and all this time he talked to whoever he could to find out who might have been the real perpetrator of this crime. He said he was on the fourth floor to December of 1967, and thereafter on 23 on the main custodial floor. He said, however, that prisoners mingled pretty much throughout the whole building and he does not know the names of anyone he talked to. He said he would continue to search his memory for the name of the person who told him RAY had been in St. Louis during the Summer of 1967, and was there as late as September of 1967.

PARKER said there was publicity of this case in the St. Charles, Missouri, Daily Banner of July 12, 1967, which carried interviews with the victims, and he has a deposition in which Miss BROCKELMAN testified the kidnaper had blue eyes and was very positive of this fact. He also noted the victims were let out about two miles from Alton, Illinois, where he believes RAY formerly lived. He noted the descriptions of him and RAY are practically identical except for marks and eyes.

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GEORGE BEN EDMONDSON, Inmate, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, at first said he did not know JAMES RAY. He was shown various pictures of RAY and then said he recognized him as an associate of an inmate he knew as RAY CURTIS. He said he had served time with CURTIS both in the penitentiary and in jail at Springfield, Missouri, and read an article of an interview with CURTIS in regard to RAY within the past few days.

EDMONDSON said his wife did not know RAY and he personally had no dealings with RAY inside or outside of the penitentiary, and did not discuss escapes or anything else with him.

EDMONDSON said he obtained a Canadian pasaport in Montreal, Canada under the name of ALEXANDER PETER BORMANN for the reason he spoke German, and is going to adopt that name eventually. He said his wife is GINETTE BORMANN, nee La-Ferte, and she is residing with her parents at 11075 Blvd., Plaza, Montreal North, Quebec, Canada. He said she visits him on occasion, about every other month, but she does not plan to visit again as he expects to be released on a decision of the Missouri Supreme Court within a matter of about 30 days, and he will then go to Canada and join her.

EDMONDSON said it is very easy to get a Canadian passport and the procedure is probably known to every fugitive from the United States. He said all that is needed is \$5.00, plus someone to sign as a "guarantor", plus either a Baptismal Certificate or a Birth Certificate. He said he obtained his by sending in his marriage license and his wife's birth certificate. He said Baptismal records are available as are "guarantors" in the Rue Notre Dame area. He said most of the certificates eminate from the Saint Justin Parish and it costs about \$50.00 to obtain the necessary papers to back up the passport application.

He said there are a lot of "floaters", such as prostitutes and other "hustlers" in the Notre Dame area and they are the ones with whom to make contact. He said there

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is a definite pipe line in this regard. He said it usually would take about a week or ten days to get the necessary papers, and within a few days the passport would be received.

He said it is important to evaluate the contacts to know if 2500 Rue Notre Dame is east or west. He said neither is a good section, but east is French and west is English. He said the English are working people, but the French are "hustlers". He said the address could be considered as "downtown". He also said, if the passport was obtained on a Baptismal record, he might be able to furnish further information which might be helpful.

EDMONDSON said he believed that it would be no problem for RAY to hide out from Police and officials, but he would have to hide from the "whole literate public", which he said he knew from personal experience is not easy. He said, in his opinion, since RAY has been connected with the assassination of Dr. KING, he has no place to go, and no place to hide.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

JOHN KENNETH HURTT, Missouri Department of Corrections number 75502, an inmate at the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), advised that he celled in the same hall at the MSP as did JAMES EARL RAY for about two or three weeks in about 1966. He said that he was not close to RAY and that he knows of no close associates RAY had in the MSP. He stated that RAY was "always planning an escape", but he does not know who helped RAY escape in April, 1967, if anyone did help him, and he had no advance knowledge of RAY's escape in April, 1967. He advised that he has no information as to what RAY's plans were once he was able to escape, and he has no idea where he might go on escape or where he might try to hide. He said that he never heard of any bounty on the life of Dr. KING, and he never heard RAY mention such a bounty or say anything to indicate one way or the other his feelings regarding the Negro race.

RAY did say that he had a close friend who owned a paper company or office equipment company in Kansas City, Missouri, as HURTT recalled, and he said that RAY had him send a money order to this stationery company supposedly for ordering some paper. He said RAY gave him cigarettes in return for HURTT's sending about a \$15.00 money order to the stationery company, apparently because RAY did not want the records to show he was sending out the money. RAY was always talking about this same man who owned the stationery company, as RAY said, and it was this person who HURTT thought RAY said lived in Kansas City, and he thought that he sent his money order to Kansas City; however, he believes the name was PEPPER, and it is possible that he sent the money order to St. Louis, Missouri, rather than Kansas City, and he cannot recall the exact address. He advised that at any rate, the paper never came, and he asked RAY about delivery, and RAY told him that he had arranged for direct delivery to him and the paper would not be coming to HURTT. He said RAY never told him the money order had been sent to his brother-inlaw. He added that this was the only time he ever sent any money out for RAY, and it was the only time RAY asked him to

do this for him. This would have been in about 1966, after RAY got out of solitary confinement following his return to the MSP from the State Hospital in Fulton, Missouri, as HURTT recalled. HURTT said that he was in solitary confinement when RAY escaped in April, 1967.

HURTT advised that he never heard of "Cooley's Organization", and he has been in the MSP for fifteen years. He said that he is not acquainted with any inmates named ORR or MC CLELLAN, and he does not recall any such inmates being assigned to jobs with RAY or celling near him. He stated that he never heard RAY speak of Mexico, Canada, Australia or New Orleans. He advised that RAY celled with CARL LILLIBRIDGE when RAY returned to the MSP from Fulton, but he knows of no other cellmates RAY had. He said that he has no information to indicate RAY was involved with the sale of amphetamine in the MSP.

On May 9, 1968, and May 10, 1968, Warden HAROLD SWENSON and Major B. J. POIRY, Assistant Associate Warden of Custody, MSP, advised that they have no knowledge of "Cooley's Organization" and have been unable to identify it with any segment of the population at the MSP or to verify its existence, past or present.

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AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

The following investigation was conducted by Investigative Clerk WILLIAM C. MC DONALD:

On May 8, 1968, Mrs. LILLIAN WILLENBRINK, Secretary to Warden HAROLD SWENSON, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), advised that the only "Indian barber" in the MSP is ROMAN SAGE, #14319, the "F-Hall" barber.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent THOMAS H. WEAVER:

On May 9, 1968, ROMAN SAGE, #14319, who is of Indian heritage, advised that he did not arrive at the MSP until October 13, 1967, which is his first sentence here, and he did not know JAMES EARL RAY and has no information regarding him.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On May 9, 1968, HOWARD NUNN, #68889, inmate at the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), advised that he was in K-Hall at the MSP during the time RAY celled there in 1967. He said that he was in K-Hall at the time RAY escaped in April, 1967. He said that he did not know any inmates named MC CLELLAN or ORR, and he does not know if inmates with those names were in the MSP at the time RAY escaped. He stated that he never worked directly with RAY, but he did see him in the MSP and spoke with him. He said he went to work at the bakery at the MSP following RAY's escape, but he never heard any talk in the bakery about RAY or his escape while he was there and he has no information as to the identity of any inmate who may have aided RAY in his escape. NUNN said that he was working at the tag plant when RAY escaped, and he did not know of his plan to escape or his plans following escape. He recalled that RAY was a "loner" who did not speak unless he was spoken to, and RAY never discussed his future He said that he has no information regarding plans to him. any "bounty" for the death of Dr. KING, and he never heard RAY speak of such a "bounty" or of Dr. KING. He stated that he got the impression that RAY had lived in New Orleans, Louisiana, as he did speak of New Orleans in his conversation, but he cannot recall any specific comments RAY made concerning New Orleans. He said he does not recall RAY's speaking of Mexico or Canada, and he has no idea where RAY might be located. He said that he recognizes a 1967 photograph of RAY in coat, white shirt, and tie, as RAY, with a fuller face. He stated that RAY never mentioned any assassination plans, and he felt that RAY was the non-violent type, since he was so quiet. He said he never heard of "Cooley's Organization" at the MSP.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On April 30, 1968, MONALD JOHNSON, #10987, inmate. Missouri State Penitentiary, advised that he was in the Missouri State Penitentiary during 1960-66 on one sentence, and he believes he may have known who RAY was during that time, but was not acquainted or associated with him personally. He said when he came back to the Missouri State Penitentiary in February, 1967, to begin his current 15-year sentence from Clay County, Missouri, he worked in the bread room at the Missouri State Penitentiary during the early part of 1967, and he was working the morning shift at the bread room during the time RAY escaped. He stated that he recalls RAY was working the afternoon shift in the bread room, and he does not recall seeing RAY the day he escaped. He advised that he did not see RAY very much anyway, and he did not know of any plan RAY had to escape and never heard anything before he left or afterward as to where RAY planned to go after. escape. He said that he does not know whether or not an inmate aided RAY in his escape, and he does not subscribe to the theory that RAY escaped in the bread box being delivered to one of the prison farms. JOHNSON said that his shift was from 4:00 AM until 1:00 PM and he generally at about 8:00 AM took the bread box for the Renz Farm down to the dock from the bread room to be loaded onto a truck going to the farm. He said as he recalls, the day RAY

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supposedly escaped, he personally loaded the bread into the wooden bread box, personally took it down the elevator operated by an inmate to the dock, and assisted in placing the box onto the truck. He asserted that he placed the bread into an empty box, and there was nothing unusual about the box he loaded. He said that he does not believe RAY left the prison in the bread box, unless the bread box was exchanged for one in which RAY was hiding without JOHNSON's knowledge. He denied that he assisted RAY in his escape, and stated that the bread box was generally loaded with from 35 to 60 loaves of bread, which he always stacked neatly in the box. He said that he never worked directly with RAY at the prison and did not consider himself a friend He stated that he never heard anyone at the prison speak of a bounty on Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, and he never heard RAY say anything that would reveal his feelings with regard to race or about his plans for the future. He said he never heard RAY mention Oregon, Mexico or Canada. said that he does not believe that the bread he packed into the bread box on the day RAY supposedly escaped came to the top of the bread box. He advised that sometimes the bread sits on the truck at the dock unattended while the driver picks up other supplies to be delivered to the prison farms. JOHNSON denied having knowledge of any plan RAY had to escape and denied knowledge of his possible whereabouts.

AT TUSCUMBIA, MISSOURI:

On April 30, 1968, Sheriff WENDELL HENSLEY, Miller County Sheriff's Office, advised that the town of Lake Ozark, Missouri, is in Miller County, located on the Lake of the Czarks. He said that he knows of no investigation being conducted at this time or recently by any law enforcement agency about "narcotics pushers" at Lake Ozark or area, and he personally has no knowledge of any peddlers of narcotics operating in this area. He said there has never been any proof of which he is aware that RAY was ever in Miller County or area.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On April 29, 1968, BOBBY FRED \ASHE, MSP #01562, inmate, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), advised that he knew JAMES EARL RAY at the MSP, but was not well acquainted with him. He said he would doubt that anyone was "well acquainted" with RAY, as he was a quiet individual who did not become involved in any of the prison rackets. he never knew of RAY to be involved in the sale of "pills" or amphetamine, or to operate or play in poker games. He advised that he never knew RAY to express strong opinions on any subject, including racial matters, and he never heard of a bounty mentioned regarding Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. He said he knows nothing of RAY's family, background or associates and has no information regarding his escape or plans following his escape. He advised that RAY was not known, so far as he knows, as a "kid" or a "punk" in the prison, and he doubts that RAY was ever a cellmate of JIMMY CARPENTER.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On April 29, 1968, a former cellmate of JAMES FARL RAY at the Missouri State Penitentiary, CECIL CLAYTON LILLIBRIDGE, also known as Carl Lillibridge, Missouri State Penitentiary number 67755, advised as follows:

He knew JAMES EARL RAY at the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP). From his conversations with RAY, he learned that RAY's maximum ambition in life was to make a "score" of about \$20 - \$30,000.00, after which he would go to Mexico to "hide out", living simply on the loot at the favorable Mexican exchange rate. RAY had spoken to him about his previous trips to Mexico, following "two or three" armed robberies, involving small scores, where he would "cool off" and live on beer, beans and milk. RAY spoke of Campeche Bay, near the Yucatan Peninsula, and he spoke of living with peasants on the outskirts of the town of Campeche, Mexico. RAY also spoke of a cheap "red light district" he favored located in the town of Torreon or Torrejon (phonetic), which the former MSP inmate thought was located in north central Mexico. Cost was a factor in anything RAY did, and he apparently lived frugally and budgeted his money carefully.

RAY did not like Hegroes in general, but he expressed no particular feeling toward MARTIN LUTHER KING, although he has heard RAY refer to Dr. KING as "MARTIN LUTHER COON". RAY read enthusiastically, especially the weekly news magazines available at the MSP, and he would react in an outspoken manner opposing H. RAP BROWN and STOKELY CARMICHAEL when he read of their activities, as well as in opposition to publicity Dr. KING received in certain instances.

The former MSP inmate never heard of any bounty. mentioned with regard to Dr. KING at the MSP or elsewhere. No believes he has heard KAY speculate that there might be some money available through some splinter group for the murder of BROWN or CARMICHARL, but he never beard him speak in this regard about Dr. KING. RAY did not mention specific groups or any knowledge of any real payoff information. He recalls RAY's telling him, during the time he celled with him, that while he was on the minor construction detail at the MSP, one of the guards referred to the Negro inzates working on the detail as "boy", and the Megroes went on a "sit-down" strike, and induced about two of the white inmates to join their strike, and when one of the Negroes referred to RAY as "gray", he got into a fight with that inmate, although the prison officials never learned of the fight, and the former MSP inmate's knowledge of the fight was as a result of RAY's telling him. and he does not know whether or not it is true.

RAY was a hypochondriac in that he took six or seven different kinds of pills daily, imagining that he had a "cranial depression" and a "rapid palpitation of the heart". He would use former inmate's watch with a second hand and time his pulse. He was able to obtain "pills" from going on sick call as well as through inmate sources in the MSP. The former inmate had some pills he had obtained for treatment of his arthritis, from which he obtained no relief, and RAY took those pills, thinking that he might some day have arthritis, and the pills might ward off future effects of that affliction. He believes RAY was selling amphetamine all the time he was in the MSP, but former inmate-does not know his source.

RAY mentioned a traffic for the sale of small appliances in Mexico, due to the tariff Mexicans had to pay for such items they purchased legally, and he spoke of having sauggled such items into Mexico. He said he was acquainted with a man who operated a small scale sauggling business, who lived near the town of Campeche, Mexico. RAY mentioned this man so often that former inmate recalls his name: either MATEO LOPEZ GARCIA or MATEO CARCIA LOPEZ, who apparently had lived for some time in the United States, and who spoke English. He believes this is the man RAY referred

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to as the owner of a small fishing boat, and he would sauggle things from Brownsville, Texas, into Mexico through Campeche Bay. He believes RAY made trips on this boat with the man, and apparently Mexican Nationals are not checked upon entering Mexico through Campeche Bay in fishing boats. He does not believe RAY could speak Spanish, other than for basic words for basic meeds. He heard RAY mention a brother in St. Louis, Missouri, and he believes some of RAY's trips to Mexico were with either the brother or with someone he had participated in armed robberies with, name not given. RAY indicated he had invested a little money in TV sets and washing machines which were transported to Mexico by his friend with the fishing boat. RAY said he had been to Mexico City "a couple of times", and he apparently liked Mexico City, but said it was a "tourist trap", and he could not afford to stay there.

RAY's only reference to working had to do with past bartending jobs. He believes RAY said he had tended bar somewhere in Peoria, Illinois, and at some other town in southern Illinois, exact location not known. He never mentioned Oregon or Canada, that former immate recalls.

RAY never mentioned to him his plans for escape or specific plans to hide out any particular place, but his conversation indicated he wanted to "make the one big score" and retire in Mexico. He mentioned that he and another man, have not mentioned, drove to Mexico, apparently Campeche, one time, in an old model Chevrolet, specific routes not mentioned. He does not know how RAY made his other trips to Mexico he claimed to have made. He said that he had lived in a rented three-room shack on the outskirts of Campeche, within walking distance of the town, and from his conversation, former immate gathered that this was during the late 1950's. RAY said he had been in Arizona before, but he did not mention any of the Mexican-United States Border towns, other than Brownsville, Texas.

He recalls RAY mentioned having watched a "fire dance" done by small Negro boys at a hotel in Acapulco. Hexico. He indicated he had not stayed at the hotel where the performance was, since it was too expensive, but stayed at an unmaned cheaper hotel, and he indicated that live coals

were kicked over a cliff into the surf below the hetel, after which the boys would dive into the surf as it rushed through a small inlet.

He recalls RAY once had another inmate, RENNY HURT, or HURTT, in about 1966, send out about \$15.00 for him once, purportedly for the purchase of stationery for legal papers. The prison authorities watch immate expenditures closely and at the time, the immates were allowed only about \$23.00 per menth expenditures, but RAY had some income from his illegal activities in prison and needed to conceal the money in other than his own treasury account. HURTT got RAY's money and sent it out to a Mr. and Mrs. (name unrecalled) Stationery Company in St. Louis, Missouri, but no stationery ever came to HURTT, who worried about it and thought it might have been stelen until he was told it would never come, by RAY, who had used HURTT for getting rid of the money without HURTT's knowledge of what he was doing.

Former MSP inmate does not know who RAY might contact, other than the supposed friend at Campeche he named, and he has no knowledge of his whereabouts and no knowledge of his plans to escape, or activities following escape. He does not approve of the murder with which RAY is charged, however, and desired to furnish the above information to help if he can.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent PRINCE G. MELTON:

AT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS:

A former inmate, <u>JULIUS MAURICE BROCK</u>, of the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri currently incarcerated Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, advised on April 30, 1968, that he had worked in the bakery at the Missouri State Penitentiary while JAMES EARL RAY was an inmate at the penitentiary and also a bakery worker. RAY was a friend of <u>BOB POWELL</u> and an inmate recalled only as J. R. RUSSELL, believed to be from Farmington, Missouri.

POWELL intimated that RAY was planning an escape from the penitentiary and his escape was finally effected with a large bread box--POWELL, RUSSELL, and possibly others assisting in the loading of the bread box containing JAMES EARL RAY. When the bread truck came in, a remark was made by POWELL about sending something to the farm, and a rather heavy bread box was loaded on the bread truck.

RAY on one occasion made the remark concerning a Negro guard known as Lt. BILLY BOB "That's one Nigger that should be dead." RAY on one occasion referred to a male Negro cook as "that black son-of-a-bitch."

RAY was characterized as a loner and one who seemed to live in his own world. RAY was known to purchase the physical favors of homosexuals while still in the Missouri State Penitentiary, although it was believed that RAY would seek sexual relations with women outside the prison walls.

Prior to the time that RAY escaped in the bread box, POWELL was overheard telling RAY that he wanted RAY to go to Doe Run, Missouri, where a girl named FRANKIE BARBARA (phonetic) resided. POWELL wanted RAY to "beat that bitch real good, but don't kill her." POWELL wanted RAY to tell FRANKIE that the beating had come from POWELL. Apparently FRANKIE BARBARA had been POWELL's girl friend, and when she stopped corresponding with POWELL, POWELL became quite upset.

It was also believed that RAY had stabbed one inmate while still in the Missouri State Penitentiary down on the dock by the garbage cans, but his identity was never discovered by prison officials. It was believed that POWELL held this inmate while RAY stabbed him with a knife. It was not believed that this was a mortal wound, but simply an assault with a knife.

It was indicated that RAY used to steal locks from different doors in the bakery and kitchen area and practiced picking these locks later.

RUSSELL was described as a white male, age 35, about 5'10", 160 pounds. POWELL was a nice-looking, well built, white male with black hair.

KC 44-760 PGM: rmb

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent PRINCE G. MELTON:

AT KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI:

On May 1, 1968, STERLING JUNIOR HILL, 9104 Walnut, phone JA 3-0790, advised that he was an inmate in the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri, while JAMES EARL RAY was also an inmate in that institution. HILL advised that he was employed in the prison hospital, at first preparing dentures and later as supervisor of nursing. HILL advised that he was never a close friend of RAY, and they actually resided on opposite sides of the prison. RAY was in the hospital a few times on sick call, but was never actually checked in to occupy a bed. RAY just picked up his medication and left. HILL said, therefore, that although he knew RAY to speak to him, he had never had an extended conversation with RAY and actually knew very little concerning RAY's personal life or friends at the prison.

He remembered RAY as a "loner", who always acted like he was troubled. He remembered that RAY seldom smiled, and he judged that RAY was preoccupied with his own thoughts. After RAY escaped, HILL thought that probably RAY was thinking about his escape plans rather than the events closer at hand. He viewed the photographs of RAY and indicated they were good likenesses, recalling that RAY did cock his head a little to one side.

HILL said he would have no idea as to RAY's whereabouts, since RAY had never mentioned any escape, any friends inside or outside the prison, and had never given any possible itinerary if he left the prison. HILL said that since someone would probably make some money for turning RAY in, he himself would contact this Bureau if he ever does see RAY on the outside. HILL said that his own nickname was "Shotgun" while he was in the prison at Jefferson City, Missouri.

It will be observed that the whereabouts of STERLING J. HILL was obtained through JUNE A. HILL, Attorney (no relation),

Legal Aid and Defender Society of Greater Kansas City, 1029 Oak. Attorney HILL had arranged for inmate HILL's release on the basis of improper legal representation when HILL was originally tried. Attorney HILL said the State then decided that it would not retry HILL because of the time that he had already served. STERLING HILL can also be contacted in care of his sister, Mrs. JUANITA BOSTON, 8120 Main, Kansas City, Mo., phone EM 1-7658.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA ROWEN B. AYERS:

On May 2, 1968, <u>RICHARD BEMAN</u>, MSP # 07694, serving life for murder, Missouri State Penitentiary, since September 30, 1960, said he has worked in the main dining room, the main kitchen and the hospital at the penitentiary. In April of 1967, he said, he was working in the hospital.

He said he knew RAY on sight and spoke to him and that was all. He said he worked for a time with RAY in the kitchen, but did not associate with him in K Hall and he did not know RAY's associates. He said RAY was very quiet and he had no information on the personal habits or beliefs of RAY. He never heard of any bounty for the killing of Dr. KING, or rumors to that effect. He could furnish no further information.

Police Departments at Jefferson City, Columbia and Sedalia, Missouri, and both the Identification and Laboratory Sections of the Missouri State Highway Patrol have been requested to compare any latents on hand or received with the prints of RAY. Only the Missouri State Highway Patrol had such. To date, checks in this regard have been negative, according to Lieut. KENNETH MILLER, Missouri State Highway Patrol Laboratory, who so advised on May 6, 1968.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA ROWEN B. AYERS:

On April 24, 1968, Mr. DONALD BUNKER, Classification Office, Missouri Department of Corrections, advised that NEAL EDGAR AEBY, No. 137626, was received at the Department of Corrections, Huntsville, Texas under that number as of April 10, 1968. He is former Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) No. 03927, and was discharged August 1, 1967. His emergency address was care of Mrs. JUDY AEBY, 6714 Village Way, Houston, Texas. The file indicated he was not expected to live long because of cander and Hodgkins disease. His brother, BILLY AEBY, No. 03546, was dischargedJuly 12, 1966.

On April 24, 1968, Lt. WILLIAM ROBERT TURNER, also known as "BILLY BOB", a Negro, advised that he was the first Negro officer at the MSP to have general jurisdiction over the whole yard, including white cells. He said, for this reason, some of the inmates resented him.

Lt. TURNER said he knew "JIMMY" RAY as an inmate and observed him in the yard on many occasions. He said the only inmate he ever saw RAY with on more than isolated occasions, was a NEAL AEBY, who was a cell mate of FRANK JOSEPH GUINAN. He noted GUINAN received a card signed "NEAL" which he believed to be from AEBY. It had no message except greetings "to a wonderful friend".

TURNER said it was his opinion that AEBY was a person who would be willing to kill Negroes. He did not believe RAY would. He said he had occasion to sit on a discipline board before which AEBY appeared. He said AEBY tried to "snow the board" and he, TURNER, recommended rather a harsh punishment for him. He said this word could have gotten to RAY, who may have resented it.

TURNER said that RAY was very quiet and got along well with the Negro population, but did not associate with them. He said AEBY did not get along well with them at all and continually "bad mouthed" them. He also recalled that AEBY had a cancer conditionaand may have had a lung removed. He said he was also suffering from some other type of disease and always was very pale. He said the sketch, which first appeared concerning the assasin of Dr. KING more closely resembled AEBY than RAY.

Lt. TURNER said he circulates among the entire prison population all the time and supervises recreation periods in the yard. He said he never heard of any bounty on Dr. KING and he would have heard of this had there been any conversations in this regard in the penitentiary.

Lt. TURNER further recalled that he was on duty in the yard on April 23, 1967. He said an inmate came to him and advised him there had been an escape and perhaps two from this institution. He said he went to Major BERNARD POIRY, in charge, and gave him this information. They then called all known "escape artists" to the control center. However, for some reason, RAY was not included. All of the known "escape artists" were accounted for. They then took a roll call of all inmates and at the time discovered that RAY, and only RAY, was missing.

He said the inmate who advised him of the escape is J. C. FLETCHER. He said this escape was called to his attention between Noon and 1:00 PM. He said FLETCHER did not know who had escaped.

Lt. TURNER said he has talked to may inmates in the pentientiary regarding both RAY and possible hate groups such as the Ku Klux Klan in the penitentiary. He said there are a few Black Muslims, but otherwise there is no indication of any "hate groups".

TURNER said he is acquainted with JIMMY CARPENTER, released, and he could not recall ever seeing RAY with this person. He did not know RAYMOND LEWIS CURTIS either as an inmate or associate of RAY's.

Lt. TURNER recalled that RAY operated a magazine service by himself. He charged twenty five cents to let inmates read magazines or paper back books he acquired. He said many inmates used cigarettes instead of money for exchange medium in the penitentiary and as a result RAY usually had a lot of cigarettes from his book business. He said, no doubt, RAY sold some of the cigarettes for cash.

Lt. TURNER said that JIMMY BRADLEY may have known RAY, but he did not think so. He said BRADLEY, doing life, could be described as a "top-con" in that he is a "fast operator" and always is able to accumulate money through various "prison rackets". He recalled that BRADLEY was in solitary confinement when RAY escaped.

Lt. TURNER said that RAY did not have the reputation of being a drug user, including amphetamine and there was nothing to indicate he had any abnormal sexual problems. \He opined that the killing of Dr. KING by RAY is hard for him to believe as he "just is not the type".

On April 24, 1968, THOMAS BEECHER CREWS, Hospital, Missouri State Penitentiary, No. 71845, serving life for murder said he came to the MSP in 1956. He escaped from Fordland Honor Camp, Fordland, Missouri in May of 1967. He hitchhiked to Springfield, Missouri and took the bus to St. Louis. He said he had slightly over \$100.00 when he left Fordland. He said he "just happened on to James Dailey in St. Louis". He said he did not know any JOHN DAVID DAILEY. He said he went to school with DAILEY and has known him all his life. He said DAILEY operated a cafe on Jefferson Boulevard. He said DAILEY tried to talk him into turning himself in. He said he drank coffee at Dailey's off and on for one day and then went to the home of his brother, BILL CREWS, probably 2021 Clark Avenue, where he was arrested.

He said he did not know JAMES EARL RAY in the MSP; although he said the photograph of RAY in the newspapers looked familiar. He said he never heard that DAILEY would hide out anyone. He said he did not know any associates of RAY. He said he did not know ROBERT POWELL or JAMES OWENS. He said he had not seen DAILEY since 1955 until May of 1967. He said, however, that DAILEY has been visiting him since that time and attempting to get him a parole. He said he believed that JAMES DAILEY was in the MSP many years ago. He said he knew nothing of DAILEY's contacts with other inmates or of his activities at any of the roads near the Honor Farms as he has never been in any except Fordland.

On April 24, 1968, the visitor's card of CREWS was examined. It did not have anyone by the name of DAILEY listed thereon.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On April 30, 1968, JERRY WAYNE WHITE, #10743, Missouri State Penitentiary, advised that he is a native of Georgia, and he is due to be released soon to the Federal detainer filed against him. He said that in about 1965 he worked in the kitchen at the Missouri State Penitentiary when JAMES EARL RAY was pushing a food cart to the hospital. He stated that he probably never spoke to RAY, and he does not recall having ever heard RAY speak. He advised that he has no information about RAY, his plans or his possible whereabouts.

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Dr. D. B. PETERSON, MD, Superintendent of State Hospital Number One, Fulton Missouri, advised that JAMES EARL RAY was confined in the maximum security unit of the hospital for mental evaluation from September 8 to October 21, 1966. He said mental evaluation was requested by RAY'S attorney after the latter had been charged with attempting to escape (within the walls) of the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Missouri.

Dr. PETERSON furnished a negative of photo taken of RAY. He also furnished a letter written to the hospital by RAY in his handwriting.

Dr. PETERSON likewise furnished a diagnostic evaluation of RAY. He explained that this item is confidential, and the contents thereof can be made available only by subpoena duces tecum which should be addressed to him.

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CERTIFICATE 24 October 1966

We certify that this is a report of psychiatric exemination pursuant to the provisions of Section 552.020 REWO 1963, as ordered by the Circuit Court of Cole County, Cause No. 6203, in the case of JAMES EAML RAY, a 38 year old, single, Cauca is male, who was admitted to Fulton State Hospital on 8 September 1966.

I. PERFUENT HISTORY

Reason for Administration pursuant to Section 552.020 by Circuit Court Order of Cole County alloged to be charged with the crime of attempted escape.

Legal Statue: Subject was transferred to this hospital for pre-trial evaluation from the Missouri State Penitentiary, where he was serving a sentence of twenty years, having been convicted of the crimes of first degree robbery and two charges of operating a motor vehicle without the peraission of the owner. In addition to the centence, he is cerving, he now has a charge against him of attempted escape.

Pertinent Social History: According to ac expanying information received from the Niesouri State Penitentiary, at or about 9:00 p.m. on 11 March 1966, the subject attempted to escape and actually had hidden out inside the penitentiary valls until: was discovered at approximately 12:10 a.m. on 13 March 1966 attempting to make his way to the roof from which he apparently planned to scale the prison vall. He had placed a dumay in his bod to cover up for his absence at the 9:00 .m. count on 11 March and had taken a 14 foot iron red with a metal hock on the end with which he was able to scale several flot of one of the valls inside the penitentiary. He had out a hole through a security screen on a window and had been hiding out from search parties on various areas of the roof.

he completed ten grades of school and entered the Army in February 19%6, where he served until December 1948, at which time he was discharged because of a lack of adaptability. His FMI record comprises one and one half pages and show numerous arrests for a variety of charges. He has served contences in various penal institutions on conviction of such charges as robbery, forgery of postal away orders, and car theft. He has been incorporated in one or another penal institution a good part of his adult life.

ti. PHYSICAL STATUS

There is no physical dicease or defect which requires treatment at this time.

Laboratory Data: 9 Sep 66: Urinalysis cascatically acceptive. Hematology within normal limits. Serve broades negative. Blood sugar and blood urea nitrogen were within normal limits. VDRL neareactive. 13 Sep 66: Chest x-ray reported as negative.

II. MENTAL STATUS

Orientation: He is oriented for time, place and person.

Percry: His mercry is unimpaired for both recent and remote events.

Speech and Mental Activity: He is coherent, alert, relevant and there are no hallucinations or delusions.

Mood and Affect: He appeared to be somewhat tense and auxious and at times showed some mild depression but not of psychotic proportions.

Insight and Judgment: He has a good verbal assessment of reality but in the past he has used poor judgment.

Paychological Testing: Psychological tests indicate that he has an IQ of 105 which places him within the average range of intellectual functioning. Tests also showed some degree of depression. The psychological tests showed no evidence of a psychopic.

IV. COURSE IN ECSPITAL

He has made a good hospital adjustment and has not been a management problem.

V. COMDITION AT PRESENT

Unchanged.

VI. DIAGROSIS

Sociopathic Porseculity. Antisocial Type with curiety and depressive features.

'II. DISCUSSION'

Patient has been observed, studied and tested. He symptoms or signs indicating a mental discase or defeat could be found. Although he showed signs of anxiety and depression, these could not be considered of psychotic proportions.

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- 1) That the accused has no mental disease or defect within the meaning of Section 552.010.
- 2) That the secured has the capacity to understand the proceedings against him and can assist in his own defence.
- 3) That the accuracy did know and appropriate the nature, quality and wrong-fulness of his conduct.

IX. RECOMPEDATION

It is recommended that he be returned to the Magaziri State Penitentiary.

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Jack C. Corton, D.O.

Director of Floor Duilding

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Mr. HAROLD SWENSON, Warden, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, furnished the cell assignments of JAMES EARL RAY and RAYMOND LEWIS CURTIS.

RAY was in the penitentiary from March 17, 1960 to April 23, 1967, when he escaped.

He occupied the following cells:

| April 12, 1960 - July 28, 1960 | B-24 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| July 28, 1960 - March 15, 1961 | K-178 |
| March 13, 1961 - November 22, 1961 | K-118 |
| November 22, 1961 - May 25, 1962 | E-224 |
| May 25, 1962 - June 8, 1962 | B-16 |
| June 8, 1962 - July 23, 1962 | E-66 |
| | K-15 |
| August 10, 1962 - August 15, 1962 | K-161 |
| | K-168 |
| March 8, 1963 - October 22, 1965 | K-172 |
| October 22, 1965 - December 16, 1965 | K-2 |
| December 16, 1965 - March 4, 1966 | J-42 |
| | CB-6 |
| March 14, 1966 - June 11, 1966 | BB-9 |
| June 11, 1966 - September 8, 1966 | State Hospital #1 |
| October 21, 1966 | Returned |
| November 17, 1966 | C-17 |
| | C-17 |
| January 18, 1967 - April 23, 1967 | K-135. |
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RAYMOND LEWIS CURTIS, #04849, served from May 15, 1962 to June 27, 1966, when he was paroled. He occupied the following cells:

| June 21, 1962 - June 29, 1962 | C-46 |
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| June 29, 1962 - July 1, 1962 | C-45 |
| July 1, 1962 - July 19, 1964 | J-134 |
| July 19, 1964 - September 5, 1964 | C-60 |
| September 5, 1964 - September 24, 1964 | C-58 |
| September 24, 1964 - September 26, 1964 | F-6 |
| September 26, 1964 - January 3, 1966 | F-40 |
| January 3. 1956 - June 27. 1966 | F-3 |

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Mr. M. J. STEWART, Treasurer, Missouri State Penitentiary (inmates' accounts), stated money orders had been received by JAMES EARL RAY at the Missouri State Penitentiary as follows:

| 1963 | Amount | Sender |
|-------------------|--------|--|
| February 20 | 35.00 | JOHN RAY, 1807 Galle, St. Louis, Missouri |
| April 16 | 65.00 | Ħ |
| May 23 | 25:00 | JERRY RAY, Box 337, Glenview, Illinois |
| June 19 | 50.00 | PHILLIP L. BAKER, 516 Guitar Building Columbia, Missouri |
| June 19 | 50.00 | JOHN RAY, 1807 Galle St. Louis, Missouri |
| July 10 | 15.00 | JERRY RAY, Box 337, Glenview, Illinois |
| August 15 | 1.00 | West Publishing Company |
| August 20 | 30.00 | JERRY RAY, Box 337, Glenview, Illinois |
| August 28 | 35.00 | JERRY RAY, 1713 Lafayette St. Louis, Missouri |
| 1964 January 3 | 5.00 | Mrs. M. FULLER, 2601 Chestnut, Quincy, Illinois |

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| (1964) | Amount | Sender |
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| January 13 | 1.50 (return draft) | Circuit Court St. Louis, Missouri |
| February 17 | 1.00 (return draft) | West Publishing Company |
| March 25 | 10.00 | Mrs. MARY MAHER, 1324 Lami, St. Louis, Mo. |
| May 27 | 40.00 | JERRY RAY, Box 269 Glenview, Illinois |
| July 9 | 15.00 | JERRY RAY, Box 93 Flossmarr, Illinois |
| August 31 | 20.00 | JERRY RAY, 1324 Lami, St. Louis, Mo. |
| December 24 | 10.00 | Mrs. M. FULLER, 2601 Chestnut, Quincy, Illinois |
| 1965 March 11 | 1.00 | JERRY RAY, Box 82, Wheeling, Illinois |
| April 5 | 4.50 | JERRY RAY, Box 82 Wheeling, Illinois |
| May 18 | 8.50 | JERRY RAY, 1819 Park Ave., St. Louis, Missouri |
| June 14 | 8.50 | JERRY RAY, 1819 Park Ave., St. Louis, Missouri |
| August 11 | 1.50 | JERRY RAY, Box 22, Wheeling, Illinois |
| September 1 | 13.50 | JERRY RAY, Box 22, Wheeling, Illinois |
| December 8 | 1.50 | JERRY RAY, Box 22, Wheeling, Illinois |

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| (1965) December 20 | \$ 10.00 | MABEL FULLER, 2601 Chestnut, Quincy, Illinois |
| 1966 February 10 | 1.00 | JERRY RAY, Box 22 Wheeling, Illinois |
| March 24 | 8.50 | ti . |
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| May 17 | 3.50 | #I |
| May 27 | 10.00 | H |
| July 7 | 4.50 | Circuit Court St. Louis, Missouri |
| August 18 | 6.75 | JERRY RAY, Box 22, Wheeling, Illinois |
| December 20 | 5.00 | MARY MAHER, 1819 Park, St. Louis, Missouri |
| December 20 | 5.00 | JERRY RAY, Box 22, Wheeling, Illinois |
| 1967 February 3 | 15.00 | JOHN RAY, 2010 Shenandoah St. Louis, Missouri |



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M. J. STEWART, Treasurer, Missouri State
Penitentiary, Inmates' Bank, furnished the following data
from the file of former inmate JANES EARL RAY. He said
this represented all of RAY's financial transactions, through
the penitentiary facility from March 20, 1960, to the present.
He said there were no means by which the reasons for withdrawals could be established. He said he would determine
from whom money orders were received.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA THOMAS H. WEAVER at Jefferson City, Missouri, on April 29, 1968:

A review of the records of the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) revealed that there is no inmate named WADE currently confined at the MSP.

Inmates with the last name WADE who were confined at the MSP during the time of JAMES EARL RAY's incarceration were identified through records as HAROLD WADE, # 10780; JAMES A. WADE, # 02913; JAMES DENNIS WADE, also known as DENNIS WADE FONTENNOT, # 04495, and KENNETH LEE WADE, # 08955.

HARDLIN WADE is described as a white male, born at Waynesville, Missouri; 5 feet, 10 inches; 160 pounds; brown hair, blue eyes, FBI # 788807D. His parents are listed as Mr. and Mrs. BEN F. WADE, Route # 2, Waynesville, Missouri; brothers CLARENCE and VIRGIL WADE, Route 1, Rogersville, Missouri; sister DOROTHY WADE, Route 2, Waynesville. He was received at the MSP August 8, 1963, on a 4-year sentence on check charge violation, escaped October 29, 1963, and received two years' sentence for escape, transferred to Moberly April 3, 1967, then to Fulton State Hospital August 8, 1967, and released January 20, 1968, on a Warden's release. HAROLD WADE had one violation report noted for "Investigation of Fight," February 3, 1967, but charges were dismissed and details were not available in the file.

KENNETH LEE WADE, # 08955, FBI # 568123B, was received at the MSP, June 12, 1959, the first time, later discharged, and received again August 22, 1964, until final discharge on September 8, 1965. He is a former Unlawful Flight subject of the Kansas City Division, and he worked at the MSP in the kitchen from 1962 to 1963 and in the bakery, in Food Service, February to March 1964. He is described as white male, born

St. Louis, Missouri; 5 feet, 7 inches; 150 pounds, brown hair; brown eyes, mother Mrs. MILDRED WADE, 2150 East Cottage, St. Louis, Missouri, and he listed a friend as GINNY WILLIAMS, 2151 Sandy Ridge Road, East St. Louis, Illinois.

A letter in his file dated August 23, 1967, indicated that KENNETH LEE WADE was received at the California State Penitentiary at Chino, California, under # B-10470, on August 22, 1967.

JAMES A. WADE, # 02913, was received June 7, 1961, from Vernon County, Missouri, on checks conviction and was discharged on February 12, 1964. He is described as a white male, born at Arcade, Kansas; 6 feet, 2 inches; 180 pounds, Jbrown hair, blue eyes, FBI # 2481633. His wife was listed as ALENE WADE, 2531 North Minneapolis, Wichita, Kansas, and he listed sisters LEONA THOMSSON, General Delivery, Augusta, Kansas, and NAOMI KEMP, General Delivery, Wichita, and an aunt Mrs. LEE CAIN, General Delivery, Independence, Kansas.

WADE is described as illiterate and can write only his name. On August 8, 1963, he was assigned to Food Service in the kitchen at the MSP, and he had one offense report for "fighting in the kitchen" August 13, 1963, with one month loss of privileges, but the offense report with the details has been destroyed. As of September 8, 1965, MSP records indicate that WADE was incarcerated at the State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, under # 72556 on a 7-year sentence for larceny of automobile.

DENNIS WADE FONTENNOT, # 04495, FBI # 860489B, was received at the MSP March 16, 1962, from Jackson County, Missouri, on two years' sentence for burglary and stealing, and he was discharged May 2, 1963. He is described as a white male, born at New Orleans, Louisiana; 5 feet, 8 inches; 147 pounds; brown hair; brown eyes. He is described as illiterate, has Social Security No. and he lists no brothers and sisters, stated his father died in 1946 and that he has not seen his mother since 1946. He had no relatives or correspondents listed in his file. FONTENNOT has Kansas City, Missouri, Police Department Nos. EX 45492 and 98630 and New Orleans Police Department # 74527.

KC 44-760 WCM:LAC 1

The following investigation was conducted by IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD at Jefferson City, Missouri:

On May 6, 1968, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) records were checked for IVAN UNDERWOOD. The following information was obtained:

IVAN UNDERWOOD, MSP # 12927, was discharged on September 22, 1967.

In October 1967 his wife KATHLEEN was receiving or had applied for Aid to Dependent Children in Cape Girardeau, Missouri.

The Sheriff, Greene County, Missouri, placed a detainer regarding UNDERWOOD on June 26, 1967. He was discharged on September 22, 1967, without any indication that the detainer had been honored.

The following was taken from UNDERWOOD's mailing list:

Wife: KITTY UNDERWOOD, 301 School Street, Sikeston, Missouri; Mother: ETHEL UNDERWOOD, 200 South Fredrieck, Cape Girardeau,

Missouri

Brother-

in-law: PAUL SCOWDEN, Rural Route 2, Box 127, Waterloo, Illinois;

Sister: MILDRED SCOWDEN (Same Address)

DARRELL UNDERWOOD, 200 South Fredrieck, Cape

Girardeau, Missouri

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The following investigation was conducted by IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD:

At Jefferson City, Missouri

On April 23, 1968, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) records were checked and the following information obtained regarding LEWIS RAYMOND DOWDA:

LEWIS RAYMOND DOWDA, MSP #08207, was received March 12, 1964, from Jasper County to serve a five year sentence on a charge of Robbery First Degree W/D and DW. He was discharged December 23, 1966.

Relatives listed in this file are:

| Father | S. C. DOWDA, Route 2, Box |
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| Mother | 486A, Sanford, Florida INA DOWDA, Route 2, Box |
| Uncle | 486A, Sanford, Florida BUD DOWDA, Manager, Orange |
| Sister | Hotel, Orlando, Florida RAMONA P. WEHUNT, 204 |
| • | Hamilton Court, Marietta, Georgia |
| Aunt | LUCY RANDALL, 11 South |
| Girl friend | Bumby, Orlando, Florida CARROL L. PERNNELL, 204 Hamilton Court, Marietta, |
| Friend | Georgia MERVIN WEEDMAN, 2112 St. |
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The following investigation was conducted by IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD at Jefferson City, Missouri:

On April 22, 1960, Missouri State Penitentiary, (MSP) records were checked and the following information obtained regarding CARL BENTON DRAKE:

DRAKE was received at the MSP, February 5, 1960, and assigned #00189, from St. Louis City to serve an 8 year sentence on charge of Robbery First Degree b/m of D & DW (three charges). He was discharged June 1, 1965.

He is described as a white male, born at Greenville, Kentucky, height 5'8½", weight 148, brown hair, blue eyes, ruddy complexion, slender build, occupation construction, bricklayer and truck driver, FBI #1729B, prior MSP #72030.

Relatives listed:

Wife, BETTY DRAKE, 1308 Mill Street, Poplar Bluff, Missouri;

Mother, OLA DRAKE, 2118 N. 9th, St. Louis, Missouri;

Brother, JAMES DRAKE, 2118 N. 9th, St. Louis, Missouri;

Mother-in-Law, Mrs. LELA PLACE, 1308 Mill Street, Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

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The following investigation was conducted by IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD:

At Jefferson City, Missouri:

On April 23, 1968, Missouri State Penitentiary (USP), records were checked for information re RUSSELL MARTIN. The following was obtained:

RUSSELL MARTIN, true name RUSSELL LEE MARTIN, was last received at the MSP, February 4, 1964, from Pemiscot County to serve a seven year sentence on charge of Fraudulent Check. He was assigned #08014. He was discharged on March 1, 1968.

MARTINis described in this file as a white male, born at Kennett, Missouri, 5'8", 164 pounds, gray hair, brown eyes, complexion ruddy, medium build, occupation - boiler room, scar on right temple; scar on abdomen, FBI No. 2 378 841, previous MSP numbers 65071 and 07471.

In 1963, when he was released from the MSP he married a woman named MAY ABBOTT and lived at Pascola, Missouri.

MARTIN violated two separate paroles and once escaped the Church Farm.

Conduct violations reflect that since 1961, he was in bed with another inmate, refusing a reasonable order, and other violations which necessitated the subject being placed in punitive segregation because he became involved in serious difficulty with other inmates, at which time he apparently related to the warden incriminating information against fellow inmates:

MARTIN's cell assignments under MSP #08014 are as follows:

February 4, 1964 to March 26, 1964 - State

March 26, 1964 to August 10, 1965 - Rec. Cell
August 10, 1965 to November 18, 1965 - BB 21
November 18, 1965 to November 22, 1965 - B-Basement
November 22, 1965 to January 7, 1966 - BB 32
January 7, 1966 to April 6, 1966 - CB Dorm.
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May 25, 1967 to March 1, 1968 - CU-19

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The following investigation was conducted by IC WILLIAM C. MC DONALD:

At Jefferson City, Missouri:

On April 22-23, 1968, Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) records were checked, and the following information obtained:

JACK FOX LAMPMERE, MSP #06726, was received April 26, 1963, from Jackson County on charge of Robbery 1st Degree 2 charges, to serve a two year sentence. He was paroled on September 5, 1967.

Cell assignments at the MSP:

April 26, 1963 - 1-F; April 26, 1963 to May 31, 1963 - 1-F; May 31, 1963 to January 7, 1966 - F-89; January 7, 1966 to January 8, 1966 - A Hall January 8, 1966 to May 31, 1966 - A-51 May 31, 1966 trans to Moberly

His FBI No. is listed as 397 852 A.

The emergency address is listed as Father, CLARK LAMPHERE, 626 1/2 S. Grant, Ft. Collins, Colorado.

JAMES HUGH CARPINTER, MSP #01761, was last received at the MSP, November 23, 1960, from St. Louis City to serve a ten year sentence on charge of Robber 1st Degree b/m of a Dangerous and Deadly Weapon; Assault with Intent to Rob (With Malice). He was discharged on May 1, 1967.

CARPENTER is described as a white male, born November 9, 1910, at Jonesboro, Arkansas, 5'9", 150 pounds, gay hair, blue eyes, slender build, medium complexion, occupation - cook, FBI No. 230-243, Social Security No. _____, Army Serial No. 67393144. He is listed as being an alcoholic.

Relatives listed are:

Brother

EARL CARPENTER, Jonesboro or Nuttleton, Arkansas (Emergency Address)

Half-Brother Half-Brother Half-Brother Half-Brother Half-Brother Ţ., Friend

Nephew

JOHN WATERS, California NATH WATERS, Jonesboro, Arkansas BUD WATERS, Kennett, Missouri VERNON WATERS, California GLEN WATERS, Jonesboro, Arkansas

EULA HOWELL, 2102 Lafayette, St. Louis, Missouri; DON DEETER, 2201 Park Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri

Violation reports reflect:

January 12, 1959, Sodomy August 25, 1959, Assault Officer May 4, 1960, Eating on Main and Short Lines

His Cell assignments under last number are as follows:

> December 22, 1960 to January 13, 1961 - F-35 January 13, 1961 to February 7, 1962 - C-68 February 7, 1962 to May 31, 1962 - C-90 May 31, 1962 to August 9, 1962 - C-96 August 9, 1962 to February 8, 1963 - E-228 February 8, 1963 to July 10, 1963 - B-35 July 10, 1963 to April 18, 1964 - B-75 April 18, 1964 to August 28, 1964 - C-46 August 28, 1964 to September 1, 1964 - K-62 September 1, 1964 to December 11, 1964 - CB-8 December 11, 1964 to December 29, 1964 - K-68 December 29, 1964 to January 27, 1965 - K-125 January 27, 1965 to April 30, 1965 - K-83 April 30, 1965 to February 17, 1966 - K-67 February 17, 1966 to March 18, 1966 - E-122 - C-15 March 18, 1966 to April 15, 1966 April 15, 1966 to April 28, 1966 - K-178 April 28, 1966 to July 26, 1966 - K-69 July 26, 1966 to August 8, 1966 - CB-28 August 8, 1966 to May 1, 1967 - F-41