

Photo

Lorraine

RH-Mem

I-170

Showing Lorraine Motel from 2nd floor
rear bathroom window, 422 1/2 S. Main.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-169

Showing Lorraine Motel from opening in
2nd floor rear bathroom window, 422 1/2
S. Main.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-169 Showing Lorraine from Huling St. entrance, looking south - at 100 feet.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-169

Showing Lorraine Motel, corner of Mulberry and Huling, looking SE at 100 feet.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-168

Showing Lorraine from NE corner of fire station #2.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-168

Showing Lorraine from top of rear steps
of Fire Station #2, looking NE.

By Dect Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-168

Showing Mulberry St. from intersection
of Mulberry and Butler, looking N. at
100 feet.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-168 Showing Lorraine, looking NE at 50 feet.

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I-168

Showing Lorraine Motel, looking NE

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-168

Showing Lorraine Motel from south entrance, looking North from Butler St.
- at 50 feet.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68

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I-168

Showing front of Lorraine from entrance
driveway on Mulberry St. looking East
at 100 feet.

By Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68

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I-167

Looking west from driveway entrance
of Lorraine on Mulberry.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68.

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I-167

Looking west from front of room 306, 2nd
floor, Lorraine Motel.

By Dect. Colvin Ellison, 4/5/68

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I-163

Photo of front of Lorraine Motel showing
rooms 206 and 306 at app. 30 feet.

By Dect. Thomas Smith, 4/4/68.

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I-163

Photo of blood on veranda, 2nd floor of Lorraine Motel, 406 Mulberry, at 6 feet distance.

By Dect. Thomas Smith, 4/4/68.



MAIN STREET

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2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

BERRY, W.J. (Sheriff's
Office)

MEM

I-80

In Tactical Squad #10

COOKSY,

Amusement Co.

I-107 - Left Seabrook Wallpaper Co. with Owens
around 6 pm, 4/4. Questioned by police
and left.

COPELAND, Elizabeth

SA Bauer
Darlingron

I-105
4/4/68

Was person who mistook white Mustang for Hurky's white Falcon. When corrected, she noticed man sitting in Mustang's dark hair, dark coat. At 5:20 Mr. Copeland double parked next to Mustang, and Mrs. Copeland joined him. Noticed that no one was sitting in Mustang.

Crawford, Gene Pearson

Lorraine

VI-49

arrested 4/5 as suspicious in Jim's Grill
Police determined he knew nothing.

CUPPLES, Steve

Amusement Co.

I-111

'59 white Chevrolet parked across
from Jim's Grill around 5:30 pm 4/4.

Cupples, Gilbert Steve

Lorraine

SA Holbrook
Gylfe

VI-50

Cupples left work approx. 5:30 pm and went to Jim's Grill. Recalls seeing Kenny Foster Camero, Jimmy Walker's white Fairlane Ford, Jower's Cadillac, and a '67 white Mustang in front of Jower's car. Does not recall license or interior. Mustang had black-wall tires and large hubcaps, was neither dirty nor freshly washed.

• A deputy sheriff told everyone to stay in restaurant. Shortly thereafter, he noticed Mustang was gone. Later police officers arrived, and Cupples learned of assassination.

Cupples, Steve

Lorraine

VI-53 '59 chev. parked across street from grill.

Cupples, Steve

Lorraine

VI-56

went to grill with Gargas around 5:00 pm

Cupples, Steve

Lorraine

VI-57

car parked across street from grill.

DABNEY, Rosie Lee

Amusement Co.

SA Bauer
Darlington

I-112

Waitress at Jim's Grill. On duty
from 3 pm on. Knew nothing.

DOLLAHITE, V.V. (Sheriff's
Office)

Amusement Co

I-80

In Tactical Squad #10

I-81

Parked outside and took charge of
evidence at Canipe's Amusement Co.

DOLLAHITE, Pfl. Vernan
Vernard

Amusement
Co

SA Johnson

I-83

Assigned to Unit 10, located at fire station at 6 pm, 4/4/68. Heard King was shot. Ran out north door, east toward motel; jumped over fence, dropped down 10' retaining wall, ran to driveway on Mulberry. Dropped fire-arm, picked it up. Ran north on Mulberry to Huling, west on Huling to Main, south on Main to Jim's Grill. Saw no pedestrians; told customers to say in Grill. Continued running south on Main and saw items in doorway at Canipe Amusement Co. Saw other officers approaching, turned around, and walked

to Canipe, then across street by blue Camero. Positive no one left area on foot or by car after he arrived on Main St. Only time he couldn't see street was when he stepped into Grill momentarily.

Did not see Canipe until he returned to Amusement Co. at which time other officers were there. After hearing reports from Canipe customers and squealing tires, he observed tire marks in road probably made by car parked in 2nd space.

Thinks he was the deputy seen by persons in Amusement Co.

MEM

DOLLAHITE, Ptl.

I-96

Was not seen by Wright after the
shooting.

MEM

DOLLAHITE, Ptl. V. V.

I-101

Not seen by Ptl. Gross on Main Street
4/4.

DOUGLAS, Ptl. E.E.

Lorraine
Motel

I-95

Got in unit car with Wright after
shooting - then got out on Main Street.

DUFOUR, Wm. A.

Amusement Co.

I-99

With Patrolman Gross during the late
afternoon of 4/4.

DUNN,

MPD

MEM

I-80

In Tactical Squad #10

Foster, Kenny

Lorraine

VI-50

his car parked at Jim's grill Camero 4/4

Foster, Kenneth

Lorraine

VI-53

parked across street from grill.

Foster, Kenneth

Lorraine

SA Holbrook
Gylfe

VI-54

Entered Jim's Grill approx. 5:05 pm, walked between white mustang and white cadillac. Mustang had black tires, does not recall hubcaps specifically noticed mustang because parked where Jimmy Walker usually parks.

Deputy Sheriff told all to stay.
Went to window and noticed mustang gone.

Foster, Kenny

Lorraine

VI-59

went with Hoard to Jim's Grill in Foster's
blue Camero with black top.

Gargas, Paul Sander

Lorraine

SA Holbrook
Gylfe

VI-56

Entered Jim's Grill approx 5:00 pm, 4/4/68;
left approx. 5:40 to 5:45 pm. Recalls
cars, but nothing specific

Geiger, Robert

Lorraine

SA Medori
Vahrenwald

VI-61

stayed at Jim;s grill around 5:00 pm til
5:30 pm. Saw nothing. Did not notice
mustang.

GHORMLEY, Lt. Judson Eugene

Lorraine SA Buckley
Motel

I-80

Assigned to Tactical Unit 10 (3 vehicles, 12 officers), stopped at Memphis Fire Dept. at Main and Butler, 1/2 block from Lorraine at about 6 pm, 4/4/68. Negro detective ran into firehouse and said King was shot.

Ghormley ran east on Butler to Mulberry and north on Mulberry toward Lorraine Motel, saw Negroes on balcony pointing to a building west of motel, the front of which was on S. Main.

Ghormley retraced steps around firehouse and ran north on Main.

Noticed blue suitcase, rifle box, blanket. Canipe said man dropped it and gave description. Ghormley relayed information to dispatcher by walkie-talkie. Canipe mentioned white Mustang. Relayed info to dispatcher.

Ghormley guarded the articles so no one could disturb them. Other officers arrived.

GROSS,

MPD

HEAL

I-80

In Tactical Squad #10

GROSS, Ptl. Wm. E.

Canipe Amuse-
ment Co.

SA Lammers
Phillips

I-99

Tactical Unit, on phone at firestation, saw men running, hung up phone, followed them to Mulberry, learned that King had been shot and that shot believed to have come from building north of firestation. Ran to Main St. where there were 2 Memphis policemen and a Deputy Sheriff. Took up position in street in front of Canipe Amusement Co., saw satchel and rifle on green cloth in doorway, kept watch of articles but stayed in position.

Other officers searched parking lot. Man came out of Canipe Amusement and said he had been ordered to go to police station. Gross checked with superior and told the man it was OK to go. Man left in pick-up truck.

Gross saw Inspector N. E. Zachary and another officer collect satchel, rifle, and green cloth with handkerchiefs so as not to touch items. Observed from 10 to 15 feet.

Does not recall Patrolman Dollahite running on Main St.

Says, if person started to go south
on Main, first thing he would have seen
were 3 police cars. Possibly explains
why man dropped bundle.

HARDING, George Rowland Amusement Co. SA Holbrook
Gylfe

I-109

At Jim's Grill at time of shooting.
Police entered and told all to stay.
Had been drinking. Knows nothing.

HARDING, George

Amusement Co.

I-113

Drinking with Parker in Jim's Grill
afternoon of 4/4.

Harrison, Lt. Jim

Lorraine

VI-49

gave info on Crawford arrested 4/5 as
suspicious in Jim's Grill.