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King Death Suspect Captured

WASHINGTON (AP) — James Earl Ray, chief suspect in the slaying of Martin Luther King Jr., has been arrested in London, Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark announced today.

Ray, object of an intensive manhunt for two months, was arrested by Scotland Yard detectives as he passed through British immigration offices for a flight to Brussels, Clark said.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said Ray is being held under maximum security conditions on a passport violation.

Hoover said Ray was armed with a fully loaded pistol when taken into custody at 11:15 a.m., London time, today.

He was traveling under the name of Ramon George Sneyd and had two Canadian passports in that name in his possession, 'Hoover said.

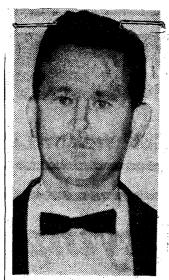
Hoover said the search for Ray, named in an FBI complaint as having entered into a conspiracy to shoot King, covered all 50 states, Canada, Mexico, Portugal, England and other countries.

King, 39 and a 1964 Nobel Peace Prize winner, was standing on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel April 4 in Memphis, Tenn., when the fatal shot was fired apparently from a cheap roominghouse 205 feet away. He died of a bullet wound of the neck less than an hour later at St. Joseph Hospital.

A state first-degree murder charge was issued April 17, charging the man then known as Eric Starvo Galt, with "unlawfully, feloniously, willfully.

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JAMES EARL RAY

King Suspect

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deliberately, premeditatedly and of his malice aforethought kill and murder King. A federal warrant had already been issued charging him with conspiracy in King's death.

The FBI placed Ray, originally sought as Galt, on its most wanted list April 20, lengthening its usual 10-name roll of dishonor to 11.

King was founder of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and perhaps the most well-known civil rights leader in the United States.

Ray, 40, is a fugitive from the Missouri State Penitentiary at Jefferson City, Mo. He had served seven years of a 20-year sentence when reported missing in April 1967.

A first-degree murder indictment was returned against way by a grand jury in Memphis last May 7 and necessary extradition proceedings will begin shortly, Hoover said.

The charges on which he is being detained in England is the use of fraudulent documentation—a passport—and for carrying a/concealed weapon.

Hoover said one passport Ray was using was issued in Ottawa on April 24, almost three weeks after the murder of King. The other was issued May 16, at Lisbon, Portugal, by the Canadian embassy in that city, Hoover said

Ray's arrest was announced in a statement released by the FBI and no elaboration was given by FBI officials.

The announcement came during the funeral in New York of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy attended by King's widow, Coretta. Kennedy had attended King's funeral April 9 in Atlanta Ga.

King_Killer

Suspect

Seized

James Earl Ray, the escaped convict wanted in the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., was arrested in London Saturday as he was about to fly to Belgium, the FBI announced.

Scotland Yard detectives took Ray into custody, ending an intensive two-month search that spread through the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe.

The Justice Department announcement of Ray's arrest came as Mrs. Coretta King, widow of the civil rights leader, was attending the New York funeral of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, another victim of an assasin's bullet. She was told of the arrest as she left St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Cathedral.

FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover said Ray, carrying a fully loaded pistol, was arrested as he was passing through British immigration offices on his way to Brussels. British authorities charged him with using a false passport and carrying a concealed weapon. And he was placed under maximum security arrest.

The announcement said Ray was arrested at 11:15 a.m., London time, or 6:15 a.m., EDT.

Hoover said extradition proceedings would begin shortly, but it was not immediately clear whether Ray would be returned under the federal complaint charging him with conspiracy in King's death or under a first-degree murder indict-

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ment returned against him by a grand jury in Memphis, Tenn.

It was in Memphis on April 4 that King was killed as he stood on the balcony of a motel talking to friends.

The search for his killer first turned up a suspect identified as Eric Starvo Galt but the FBI later said Galt really is Ray, a 40-year-old escapee from the Missouri State Penitentiary.

Ray was using the name Ramon George Sneyd when he was arrested Saturday and was carrying two Canadian passports issued in that name. He had obtained one in Ottawa on April 24 and the other from the Canadian embassy in Lisbon, Portugal, on May 16.

Chief Inspector Thomas But-

ler of Scotland Yard's Flying Squad told newsmen in London:

"Although the man claims to be Sneyd, his physical description is in fact identical to that of James Earl Ray."

Although Butler went no further than that in saying the man arrested is Ray, the Justice Department statement said unconditionally that he is Ray—without providing details on how the identification was verified.

British authorities said the man arrived in London by jet airliner Saturday morning from Lisbon, en route to Brussels.

While his passport was being examined and he was being interviewed at London Airport he was searched and the loaded

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THE CLINCHER — This photo, seized in Canada, led to arrest of James Earl Ray. (AP Wirephoto)

King Assassin Suspec

the immigration men said.

Scotland Yard then was called money. and the arrest followed.

A spokesman at the U.S. emnection with the King slaying.

A Scotland Yard statement said the passports describe the supplied with money. bearer as a 29-year-old native of Toronto, Canada, unemployed was carrying when arrested deand with no fixed current ad-scribed him as 35, unemployed, Scotland Yard but said Ray's dress.

The announcement of his ar-fixed address. rest was made in a statement | The Royal Canadian Mounted issued at the Justice Depart-Police, who worked closely with ment in the name of Atty. Gen. the FBI in the hunt for Ray, Ramsey Clark and Hoover, nei-supplied the tip that focused the ther of whom was present. No search on London. An RCMP questions were permitted at spokesman said a check of Cathat time.

Continued from Page A-1 Among the questions raised soon after the FBI started lookpistol was found in a hip pocket, by Ray's extensive travels since ing for Ray, finally turned up the shooting is where he got the one with a picture that looked

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like Ray. It had been issued to Sneyd and was found to be

There have been complaints worked and had no apparent in-past that fugitives have been ports too easily.

> Hoover praised the cooperation of the Canadian police and arrest was the direct result of an intensive investigation by the FBI that covered all 50 states, Canada, Mexico, Portugal, England and other countries.

As the trail appeared to grow dim there were complaints from civil rights leaders, particularly followers of King, that the Gmen were not pursuing the investigation vigorously enough. Among law enforcement people there was some fear also that Ray had been killed by others involved in a conspiracy to murder King.

The FBI produced a massive file on Ray's activities up to the time of King's death and gathered such personal information as that he was an avid dancer, liked beer and was a loner.

The detailled description furnished by the FBI led to mystery and confusion in the manhunt as many who claimed to have been the gunman after the shooting of King provided contradictory information. For example, some said the gunman was in his late 20s, in contrast to Ray's age of 40.

A chief source of speculation about the shooting has been that Ray was part of a group that plotted King's death with care, but no other persons are known to be involved at this point.

Ray had served seven years of a 20-year sentence for armed robbery when he escaped from prison. A fellow inmate at the time said Ray told him he would be willing to kill King for \$1 mil-

400,000 Photos Turned Up Ray's

OTTAWA (AP) — The Royal ment several days ago that Ray anadian Mounted Police, was traveling on a Canadian Canadian checking thousands of passports passport, issued in Ottawa unin Canadian files, got on the der the assumed name of Sneyd. trail of James Earl Ray and An official said he did not know tipped off the FBI and Scotland that Ray had a second Canadian Yard that he was heading for passport, issued in Lisbon. Britain, it was learned Satur- There have been complaints day.

port files was begun as soon as too easily. the FBI started looking for Ray, The government has tried to chief suspect in the slaying of tighten up the procedures for Negro leader Dr. Martin Luther obtaining them, but an External King Jr. in the United States.

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ment learned to its embarrass-do," he added.

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George Sneyd, was fraudulent. erly notarized, there is not very The External Affairs Depart-much the Passport Office can

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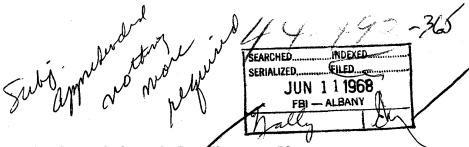
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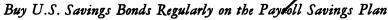
He memo of SA EDWARD F. O'CONNOR dated 6/4/68.

Attempts were made to contact DONALD WINNETT, St. George, Vt. with negative results on 6/5/68 and 6/6/08. On 6/7/63 WINNETT was telephonically contacted by the writer and advised that on 6/4/68 at approximately 4PM he picked up an individual hithiking on Route 2A south of Essex Junction, Vt. and took him as far as the point where Interstate 89 crosses 2A, where the individual got out and began to hitchhike south on the Interstate toward Montpelier, Vt.

WINNETT advised that the individual was a real "weirdo" and that he felt extremely uncomfortable in his presence and was sorry he had picked him up. He advised that the individual kept asking him the time and he thought perhaps he planned to take his watch. He advised that the person kept talking at times incoherently and crazily about all the troubles of the country and that half the time he, WINNETT, could not understand what he was saying or talking about. He advised that the person did not furnish him a name.

WINNETT advised that he thought nothing more of it until later when he mentioned it to a waitress at a diner she advised that berhaps he should call the FBI. He advised that he has seen the photographs of dAMES TARL RAY many times on TV and in the papers and that he could not say that this individual looked like RAY. Headvised that he called concerning this individual mainly because he acted so strangly and not because he thought it could be RAY.







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SA JOHNN F. CURRAN

SUBJECT:

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The stop placed at the US-Can. border with the USBP on 6/6/68 under the name of RAMON GEORGE SNEYD was cancelled on 6/9/68. STOP under the subject's true name was also cancelled.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Ray's Uncle **Once Worked** In Albany

A former Albanian who died nine years ago was reportedly a relative of James Earl Ray, the alleged killer of Dr. Martin Lu-

ther King Jr.

THE PARK CO.

The man, identified as Earl E. Ray, was employed at the Albany Country Club in 1959. Later that year, he was found dead near a railroad bridge in Buffa-

Buffalo police said he was a brother of James Earl Ray, now held in London pending extradi-tion proceedings. Another

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Ray's Uncle

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source, however, said he was Ray's uncle.

Officials at the country club said Earl Ray lived in a house owned by the club on Western Avenue. Records were lost when the club moved to Voorheesville, but employes remembered Ray as a former employe.

An assistant golf pro said Ray had a sister and nephew who visited him at least once. The suspect in the King murder is thought to be that nephew.

When Ray was found dead, Mrs. Frnak Fuller of Quincy, Ill., claimed the body. She was listed as his sister. Buffalo police said the suspect's family is also from Illinois.

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The Pursuit

One day soon the dramatic story of the pursuit of James Earl Ray, alleged assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be told in all the details of its stunning perseverance and determination. Its story will be a thriller that none of fiction will be able to surpass. It needs time to protect the method and the means from disclosure before he is brought to trial for the brutal murder of the civil rights leader.

The arrest in London is a psychological reinforcement of the authorities unflinching determination to apprehend him. Concluded in Memphis, the arrest would have been sold short the will of authorities to arrest and bring to trial the assassin. There would be no realization of the sincerity, which many have questioned, of the authorities desire to search out, arrest and punish. That the FBI and other police agencies persevered against difficult obstacles to chase Ray down to London, reached after a stop at Lisbon, en route to Brussels and maybe an African hideaway.

The Canadian Mounted Police have long been

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heralded in history as the police "who always get their man."

With pride we nominate the American police authorities — the Federal Bureau of Investigation particularly — for their dogged and unflagging efforts in pursuit of the King slayer.

To permit his escape would have destroyed confidence in law and order, already under strong attack from assassins and violence and wanton destruction.

That a former convict, without employment or source of revenue, could be found with several hundreds of dollars and been able to finance a flight to Canada and then to Europe raises serious speculation of a conspiracy.

The first step toward unraveling the mystery and making that determination has been taken with the arrest in London of Ray. The same meticulous, careful investigation which resulted in the capture of Ray en route to oblivion in the near desert, can be relied on to ferret out any possible accomplices.

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King Slaying Suspect

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By JEANNE ARNOLD Times-Union Staff Writer

Earl E. Ray, a former Albanian who was found dead in Buffalo in 1959, was a relative — brother or uncle — of the man suspected of killing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Buffalo police records reveal.

Egbert Judson, president of the Albany Country Club, confirmed that Earl Ray, who died of an apparent heart attack and was found May 2, 1959, beneath a D&H railroad bridge in Buffalo, had worked as a maintenance man at the country club at that time.

The club was then located at its former site, used for Albany State University construction

Judson said personnel records from that year, however, have since been lost, but an assistant golf pro remembers Ray.

Another former veteran employe of Albany County Club, Mary Jacobs of 42 Morris Road, Schenectady, now a waitress at (Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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She said he had no family with him when he lived in one of the employes' resident cottages on the club grounds.

Another employe said an uncle and nephew visited him occasionally.

Ray is said by Buffalo police to be a brother to James Eearl Ray, now in custody in London, England. Another source however, said he was Ray's uncle. Another brother of the accused slayer of Dr. King, Jerry Ray, is employed as a maintenance man at a Chicago country club.

At the time Earl E. Ray was discovered dead, his body was claimed by Mrs. Frank Fuller, a Quincy, Ill, resident listed as a sister. Suspect Ray's family is native of Illinois, according to Buffalo police.

A younger Earl Ray, who was 19 in 1967, was sentenced to a maximum of six years in jail on Nov. 30, 1967, in U.S. District

Court in Albany by Federal Judge James T. Foley, on a count of having stolen a car.

He had pleaded guilty to transporting the car from Springfield, Mass., to Cayuga County. He gave his address as Springfield and had said he was a native of Puerto Rico.

He had broken out of a cell in a Syracuse jail earlier in November of 1967 and was recaptured the same day in the Adrondacks, where he was found with his wrists cut. Judge Foley at his hearing ordered psyhiatric treatment.

It is not known whether he is a relative of the accused slayer.

Tennesse Gov. Buford Ellington signed papers in Nashville Turesday required for Tennessee's formal request that James Earl Ray be returned to Memphis to stand trial for the slaying of civil rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner Martin Luther King.

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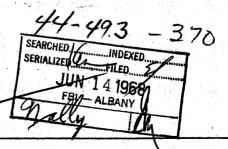
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JAMES EARL RAY was apprehended at London, England, June 8, 1968.

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Re report of SA JOE C. HESTER 6/5/68 at Memphis.

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TO

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FROM:

IC FRANCIS M. HICKEY

SUBJECT:

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Remymemo dated 5/27/68.

On 6/10/68, Mr. KENNETH GLASSTEADER, Director, Computer Programing Unit, NYSDMV, Albany, New York, was contacted by the writer and advised that requested search would not be necessary. It is noted that GLASSTEADER was the person appointed by Doctor SCOTT to handle our request.

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Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Re Bureau airtels and teletypes regarding "LAUNDRY MARKS."

Between 4/5 and 4/24/68, DONALD BROTON, Textile Marking Machine Co., 2204 Erie Boulevard East, Syracuse, New York, 13224, spent many hours of his ordinary working day, as well as five hours of his own time on 4/6/68, affording assistance to this office in the review of records of that company. On 4/6/68, Mr. BROTON insisted on sacrificing attendance at a party being given at his home in order that he might be of the greatest assistance possible to agents of this office in further review of the records of his company.

In view of Mr. BROTON's personal effort in affording assistance to the Bureau in this matter, the Albany Office recommends that a letter from the Director be sent to him expressing appreciation for his assistance during the investigation of the captioned matter. It is realized that such expressions of appreciation are generally not made until the investigation is completed, however, it is likely that this case will not be concluded for sometime, and further delay in sending such a letter is not deemed appropriate.

The indices of the Albany Office have been reviewed and no references are contained therein pertaining to DONALD BROTON.

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IC FRANCIS M. HICKEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Dr. BAZIL SCOTT, Director of Program Development, NYS DMV, Albany, NY, was contacted by the writer in regard to the feasibility of a Motor Vehicle search in an effort to determine whether or not subject was issued a New York State driver's license subsequent to 3/31/68.

Dr. SCOTT advised that such a search is feasible; however, he pointed out the following aspects to be considered:

- 1. For the period April and May, 1968, the total original driver's licenses issued would be approximately 70,000.
- 2. An estimate of 20,000 to 30,000 applications would fall into the 30 to 55 age bracket. However, females would be eliminated, thus bringing the total to a lower figure, possibly 15,000 to 20,000.
 - 3. Applications do not indicate race.

Dr. SCOTT stated that if such a search is requested, he would make arrangements to utilize one of his programmers to program the computer, and an employee would be designated to conduct this search on a weekend so as not to interfere with the regular course of business. He added that the expense which would be minimal, would in all probability be absorbed by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

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Dr. SCOTT further advised that the exact time involved in programming and running the computer cannot be estimated at this time.

Dr. SCOTT advised that if we desired, we could borrow the tapes which would be the result of requested search and utilize these tapes to complete our investigation. The tapes would have to be run on a compatible computer, which would be an IBM 360 Model 40; tapes are 1600 BPI and are nine channel tapes.

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Memorandum

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SUBJECT:

MURKIN

All Agents should note that the above caption has been designated by the Bureau as the code word for investigation dealing with the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING. The case has heretofore been captioned, "Assassination of MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr".

All communications regarding investigation pertaining to attempts to identify KING's assassin should be submitted under the above caption. All other information regarding regial activities arising out of KING's assassination should not be submitted under the MURKIN caption, but should be submitted under the appropriate caption pertaining to racial matters.

All Agents, regardless of assignment, are instructed to recanvass all criminal, security and racial informants for possible knowledge concerning KING's assassination. Particular emphasis should be placed toward informants in known hate groups. All Agents are directed to reply to this request within three days of receipt of this memo, reflecting contact with all informants at your disposal. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA's ROBERT S. REA and WILLIAM QUACKENBUSH:

On April 24, 1968, Officer ROBERT MANGIN, Community Relations Department, Syracuse, New York, Police Department, advised that he had received a telephone call from PAULINE LA CASSE, 7848 Rinaldo West, Bridgeport, New York, who was employed as a waitress at Hancock Airport, who stated as follows:

On the previous Sunday evening she had been at the Rogues Roost Country Club, Bridgeport, with JOAN BAXTER, who is employed at Bristol Laboratories and resided at the same address, teamphone 633-9833. She stated that they observed a man who was there between 9:00 and 9:30 PM whom she believes to be identical to JAMES EARL RAY, whose photograph she had observed in the newspaper. She stated she believed this man to be identical with RAY in physical description also. She stated me was driving a new convertible, either Oldsmobile or Pontiac, with New York plates, color maroon or deep red with a white top. She stated he began to follow them home as they left in their car but turned off into the Madison Motel on the Bridgeport-Lakeport Road.

On April 24, 1968, Mr. LEONARD WOOD, owner, and WILFRED FOUNTAIN, Madison Motel, Bridgeport-Lakeport Road, Bridgeport, N. Y., advised that they had had no motel units rented to transients during the previous weekend. The photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT was displayed to FOUNTAIN and WOOD and they advised they did not recognize the photograph as anyone known to them or anyone who had been in the bar of the Madison Motel, over the previous weekend.

The following investigation was conducted by SA LEE M. QUICK:

On April 24, 1968, the photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT on the wanted flyer was displayed to PAULINE LA CASSE and JOAN BAXTER, 7848 Rinaldo West, Bridgeport, New York, and to JACK BULLOCK, Rogues Roost Country Club, Bridgeport, N. Y., and all advised this photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT was not identical with the individual who was in the Rogues Roost Country Club Sunday night.

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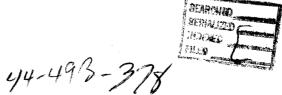
On May 7, 1968, Mrs. BERNARD NASELLI, 111 Treeland Circle, Syracuse, New York, advised on that date she had a new milkman who delivered milk to her residence for the Byrne Dairy and she believed this individual was identical possibly with JAMES EARL RAY after seeing the newly released photograph taken in January, 1968, which she had observed on a news program on television.

On May 8, 1968, Mr. RONALD KELLY, Byrne Dairy, Syracuse, N. Y., advised that a man who was new was delivering milk on May 7 in the area around 111 Treeland Circle and this man had been hired on May 1. He stated this man was FRANK FENNER who was originally from Syracuse, N. Y., and who had been employed for may years by Crouse-Heinz Company at Syracuse, N. Y., in addition to other employment, all of which had been checked by him personally prior to hiring FENNER.

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On April 19, 1968, an anonymous call was received at the Utica Resident Agency of the FBI from an anonymous female caller who stated she had been at the Kewpie Drive-In prior to 4:30 FM on that date and had observed an individual in an automobile which she could not identify whom she believed to be identical with the photographs she had seen in the newspaper of ERIC STARVO GALT.

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On April 30, 1968, SA J. LEWIS KELLY requested Identification Officer WALTER HOETZER, Utica, New York, Police Department, and Sgt. EDWARD KRETARO, Identification Officer, Rome, N. Y., Police Department, to compare latent fingerprints with the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY which were to appear on the Identification Order of JAMES EARL RAY. They stated they would report any positive results obtained.

On May 1, 1968, Officer ROBERT CLAPPER, Identification Division, Syracuse, N. Y., Police Department, was requested to check latent prints which they maintained for the past eight against the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY which were to appear in an identification order. He stated he would compare the latent prints and report any positive results obtained.

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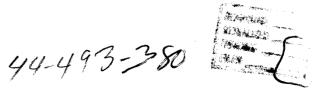
Employees, Kewpie Drive-In, Oneida Square, Utica, New York, were contacted, with negative results, concerning any information regarding ERIC STARVO GALT. All of the following employees indicated that they were on duty at the Kewpie Drive-In prior to 4:30 p.m., April 19, 1968, and were exhibited a photograph of ERIC STARVO GALT:

GEORGE TOBIN, Counterman Kewpie Drive-In Utica, New York

Mrs. EVELYN WEBSTER, Waitress Kewpie Brive-In Utica, New York

FREDERICK DAVID, Cook Kewpie Brive-In Utica, New York

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RSR: jmh

The following investigation was conducted by SA MICHAEL G. POTKONJAK:

On April 15, 1968, Mrs. HANNAH ROSSI, Machine Operator, Crest One-Hour Cleaners, 914 Erie Blvd., Rome, New York, advised she did not recognize the tape code 02B-6 and further stated that the Crest One-Hour Cleaners tape code never utilizes a number before a letter.

The following investigation was conducted by SA GERARD A. PERKINS:

At Gloversville, New York

On April 15, 1968, Mr. CALVIN J. SPRUNG, in charge of laundry markings, Robinson and Smith Inc., 335 North Main Street, advised they had never used any letters in their markings. He stated he has been there for 40 years and noted they mark all laundry item by item.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOSEPH HOLIDAY:

At Windsor, Vermont

On April 16, 1968, Mr. CHARLES BENTON, Williams, Laundry, 7 Maple Street, advised that only dry cleaning/done at the Windsor plant at present. He stated the laundry for that business is all handled at the company plant at Claremont, New Hampshire, which he believes still uses thermostal marking system. Mr. BENTON stated the person to contact the Claremont plant is Mr. KENNETH DAVIS, 80 Hanover Street, Claremont, N. H.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FRED P. LIST:

At Burlington, Vermont

On April 16, 1968, Miss MARIE TATRO, Machine Operator, Beardsley Cleaning Company, 315 Shelburne Road, advised the tape of her machine is white and only numbers are used.

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At St. Johnsbury, Vermont

Miss DORIS RAY, Machine Operator, Palmer Brothers Cleaning, Eastern Avenue, advised the tape used in her machine is white and the numbers are bigger than the letters and there are two dash marks, one above the other, which appear between each number or letter, not identical to that shown in the photograph.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT S. REA:

Mrs. MARY TARDIO, Phil's Cleaners, Manlius Mart, Manlius, N. Y., advised on April 18, 1968, that they put thermo-sealed marks on shirts only. They noted the laundry is done by another establishment which does not use the thermo-sealed system.

On April 18, 1968, Mr. RAY ADEN, Manager, Oswego County Cleaners Inc., 135 East Bridge Street, Oswego, N. Y., advised as follows:

The laundry places tape on all laundry as well as cleaning items individually, however, neither O2B-6 nor 20R-3 have ever been used. He noted they do have a similar code to that appearing in both tapes but they have never used these particular codes.

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of United States policy in Vietnam.

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(00: Memphis)

RICHARD TOMKINSON, 97 Union Avenue, Saratoga Springs, New York, President of the Delaware Corporation, a small vending machine company, advised SA DANIEL V. HOGAN that he has an acquaintance named NELSON SCHAUB of Saranac Lake, N.Y. SCHAUB, according to TOMKINSON, is a coin dealer, recently convicted of smuggling gold into the United States, who is always looking for a chance to make big money. SCHAUB told TOMXINSON that he had an idea which might make a lot of money for both of them. SCHAUB said that the United States Government was offering a reward of \$100,000.00 for JAMES EARL RAY, killer of MARTIN LUTHER KING. SCHAUB was aware that there was a far right group in Lake Placid, N.Y., which included many prominent local people. This group included doctors and lawyers. It had recently sponsored a speech at the Lake Placid Arera by a former member of the "Green Berets", the Army Special Services Force. That speech and the talks of those who introduced and thanked the speaker, was very critical

SCHAUB had heard some people in Lake Placid discuss the death of MARTIN LUTHER KING and he felt they were not unhappy at KING's death and said they felt he had probably had his appearance changed and was out of the country.

He told TOMKINSON that if the United States Government would investigate this group which he believed to be a John Birch Society group, the Government might obtain informstion regarding the KING killing and SCHAUB and TOMKINSON could share in the reward money.

The Albany Office indices indicate that NELSON RAYMOND SCHAUB is a former PCI operated by SA EDWARD A. MC SHAME, J. while SCHAUB operated a coin exchange at Plattsburgh, N.Y. This case was closed when SCHAUB was arrested by the U. S. Treasury Department and convicted of gold smuggling in 1966. SA MC SHANE determined that SCHAUB has since been involved in a \$30,000 swindle in the Tupper Lake, N.Y. area; is the subject of outstanding warrants for bad checks in the

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Saranac Lake, New York area, and is heavily in debt.

Local and New York State Police in the Saranac Lake and Plattsburgh areas characterize SCHAUB as a "con-man", of absolute unreliability.

SCHAUB was located and interviewed by SA EDWARD A. MC SHANE, Jr. on 6/7/68, at which time he stated that he had absolutely no reason to suspect anyone or any group in the Lake Placid, N.Y. - Saranac Lake, N.Y. area of involvement in the King Willing, but feels that such a group might be responsible for KING's death.

In view of SCHAUB's poor character, and history of unreliability, no further action is being taken.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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(PERSONAL ATTENTION)

DATE: 5/28/68

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FROM

SA JOHN F. CURRAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE MVB CHECKS PER BURTEL 5/22/68.

Officials, MVB, Montpelier, Vt. rm estimate that they have given approx.

5000 tests and issued same amount of new operator's dicenses during April & May 1968.

This may be little high as far as I maxex would guess myself but had to accept their word for now. They would make copies of their temporary permits available to me.

The permits carry name, address and birthdate. As you can see we could eliminate all females (they say about 40%) and persons outside of the age group desired. We would then have to take the remaining permits and search the main files to obtain a description. Race is not indicated on any records.

They have one possibility and that is they make up cards for the IBM equipment that are usually destroyed after they go through the automatic equipment. This equipment apparently prints other cards which are furnished to drivers etc. One official said it is possible that the cards for April have not been destroyed yet and if not we could ask IBM company (may be another firm) to rerun this cards. This official felt there would be a charge for this service if they would do it. This would permit a selection of the cards for our further study.

Officials suggested a better way in their mind. They furnished the attached card which is forwarded to the addresses listed on the card. This is obviously used in Wash. D. C. for automatic equipment. All states submit these cards and they believe that we could run the whole U. S. in a small percentage of the time it would take to do each state. FOR YOUR THOUGHTS

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Glens Falls. He advised that he is unacquainted with either but will be alert to subject's possible whereabouts in this area.

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CI advised that JACK ROSSER a route salesman for Bond Bread, operates a small book on the horses. ROSSER does not reside in Glens Falls but somewhere in the Albany area. ROSSER works for an unidentified Albany bookmaker. Recently, ROY HAMLIN, of Glens Falls, a convicted burglar and CARMEL YOUNG who has previously been convicted for an assault with a knife, confronted ROSSER. ROSSER was told by HAMLIN that he wanted a piece of the action and was soliciting a \$25 a week payment.

HAMLIN also reportedly "hit" ROSSER with a pass post bet in the amount of \$1,500 or \$1,600 placed with ROSSER by an unidentified elderly lady, which ROSSER had to pay. Informant has no first-hand knowledge that HAMLIN was involved but that it is supposedly the case.

Above information furnished to COP JAMES DUGGAN, Glens Falls Police Department, 6/20/68. DUGGAN advised that he had received similar information from the brother of JACK ROSSER, PHIL ROSSER, who lives in Glens Falls on Haskell Ave. and works for the Post Office. Also MIKE RUSSO, apparently on behalf of HAMLIN, tried to feel DUGGAN out on what he knew. DUGGAN told RUSSO that he was going to have the N.Y. Crime Commission look into HAMLIN.

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RUSSO apparently told HAMLIN as JACK ROSSER has allegedly been told by HAMLIN contacts to forget the whole matter.

RUSSO is a former Warren County Deputy Sheriff who was convicted of burglary about two years ago.

June 25, 1968

PERSONAL

Mr. Donald Broton
Textile Marking Machine Company
2204 Erie Boulevard East
Syracuse, New York 13224

Dear Mr. Broton:

I want to express both my appreciation and that of my associates in our Albany Office for the cooperation you recently extended in a case which is of vital interest to us.

It is most heartening to receive aid from citizens who are in a position to offer it, and I have learned that your assistance was given at the expense of your personal convenience. We wish to thank you.

Sincerely yours,

L Edgar Hoover

1)- Albany (44-493)

1 - Memphis (44-1987) Re Albany letter dated 6-18-68.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC (137-867)	6/28/68
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FROM : SA DANIEL V. HOGAN	PCI PSI
SUBJECT: AL 2977-C	
Dates of Contact	
5/23, 6/20/68 Titles and File #s on which contacted	
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TO:

SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

FROM:

SAC, Albany (44-493) (P)

SUBJECT:

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COST DATA

Re Memphis airtel to Albany, 4/19/68.

1.		Special Agents	Clerical
	Regular hours	61	15
	Overtime hours Total man hours	3 64	<u>0</u> 15

2. Total mileage - 811

3. Unusual costs - long distance telephone calls for period 4/4 = 24/68, none.

- 4. Peak number of Special Agents working on case during 6/68 11.
- 5. Above cost data compiled by the Albany Division in captioned case for the period ending 6/30/68.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

44-493 SAC

DATE:

6/21/68

FROM:

SA CHARLES F. HURLEY (P)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

On 6/13/68, OSI representative in the Binghamton area, GUS BOARST, advised that on the previous evening a friend of his, CLARENCE REIMER, automobile salesman at Botnic Chevrolet, First St., Binghamton, N.Y., told BOARST that a woman to whom he had just sold an automobile relted to REIMER that many years ago she had had a roomer in her rooming house on Washington St. in Binghamton by the name of JAMES RAY. BOARST stated he was not certain of the details but was of the opinion that it was in the middle 1950s that this woman had the roomer and did not know anything more about it.

It was determined from CLARENCE REIMER, salesman Botnic Chevrolet, that Miss MARGARET JONES, 138 Washington St., Binghamton, was the person that told him, and she was contacted at her old rooming house just off Court St. in Binghamton. stated she has had that rooming house there for 25 years and displayed an old registration book which reflected the scribbling of a name, apparently JAMES RAY, andwritten after it was 1 week paid \$8 room 9. From other dates on the book, it would appear that this individual stayed at the rooming house for about one week during March, 1952. There was no address or other identifying information and no date by the name JAMES RAY. Miss JONES stated that she has had considerable difficulties around her rooming house and has to call the police frequently for fights and drunks. She stated she thought the picture in the newspaper resembled the JAMES RAY who stayed at her rooming house for a week 16 years ago. She advised that she knows of no one else at the rooming house or anyone else in the city who would know that this JAMES RAY stayed there in 1952, and knows of nothing about JAMES RAY or where he came from. thought he was a man in his 20s at the time, and does not remember if he knew anyone else in the rooming house, and thinks he stayed for one week.

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subject and his wife MELLETTA "CHINK" DAVIS are back together again in New York City, perhaps still at 353 West 57 Street, and they are contemplating returning to Saratoga Springs in the near future. The purpose of their trip will be to return MELLETTA'S young brother GREGORY from the residence of JESSIE DUDLEY, 24 Cleveland Avenue. Mrs. DUDLEY has been caring for GREGORY but now MELLETTA and subject want him back with them.

CI seriously doubts if MELLETTA WOULD EVER testify against subject as she was extremely mad at him when she was in Saratoga Springs in early May, 1968. If she would not cooperate at this time, he can not see how she would be willing to cooperate now, especially by testifying, since they are together again.

CI advised he would endeavor to ascertain MELLETTA'S feelings in this regard and her New York City address when she and BURTON come to Saratoga Springs to pick up GREGORY.

King Aide Cites 'White' History Ills

By CHUCK MALLEY
Times-Union Staff Writer

The concept of "white is right" which is reinforced in Negro children through history books and American culture in general, must be erased, Dr. Wyatt Walker, former chief of staff to the late Dr. Martin Luther King, said Wednesd a ynight.

Walker, jailed 13 times and still bearing the scars of beatings incurred over 3 years in the racial movement, spoke to a nearly all-white audience at Clarksville Community Church.

Advocating a r e w r i t i n g of American history books, Walker said Negro children should be allowed their black heroes just as they are being of f e r e d white ones.

Good Horse White

In this society, he said, black means "bad" and white means "good." He told of his son who came to him and asked, "Why is B a t m a n always white?" In Western movies, he added, the villains are dressed in black; the good horses are white.

"These things slip into our culture," said Walker, and added that they have a tremendous impact on the black child.

He explained that his examples of "white is right" touch only superficially on the Negro's need for recognition in America, and said that that need is what "black power" is about.

Walker said that since the racial movement began in Montgomery, Ala., in 1954, the condition of the Negro in America has worsened. "The economic gap is widening, there are more segregated schools and there is twice as much unemployment among Negroes."

King's Alter Ego

These developments, he said, "have brought about the advent of black power."

The speaker, who has been called the "alter ego" of Dr. Martin Luther King's, also had these things to say at Clarksville:

"The poor people's campaign greatly impressed me. Before that, the non-poor in America had no sensitivity to the poor. Now the sit u at ion has been dramatized and has become a priority item in Congress, not to be removed before something is done."

"The root origin of the racial problem is deep-seated racism across the country . . . We are a republic — lots of little nations within one."

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