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The typewritten impressions on Q385 are the same style as those appearing on other items received in this matter attributed to "Eric S. Galt."

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MR. DeLoach:

Attached for your information are clippings from London newspapers in connection with the apprehension of James Earl Ray. These clippings were sent in by the Legal Attache in London.

S. B. Donahoe

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# King man

By  
**OWEN SUMMERS** and **JAMES LEWTHWAITE** in London and  
**DONALD McLACHLAN** in New York

**JAMES Earl Ray, the man America has indicted for the murder of Dr Luther King, played cards and chatted with his police guards yesterday.**

Forty-year-old Ray, hunted in five countries since the assassination on April 4, is being held under 24-hour double guard in London's Cannon Row police station.

British and American detectives piecing together his movements during the past two months found that he lived in London hotels for three weeks in between visits to Portugal.

He was arrested on Saturday when he flew into London on his way to Brussels.

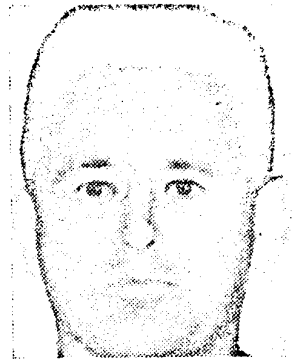
In Cannon Row police station yesterday Ray sat in shirtsleeves on the edge of his foam-rubber mattress in a sparsely furnished cell.

The brown jacket he was wearing when he was held at Heathrow Airport lay folded on his bed.

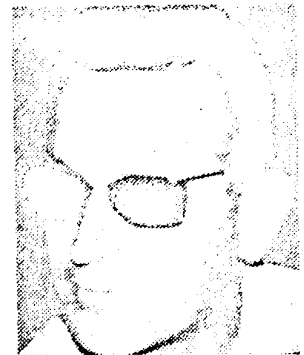
On the orders of Detective Chief Superintendent Thomas Butler, head of Scotland Yard Flying Squad, two Flying Squad men working in eight-hour shifts must stay with Ray day and night.

And this morning when he is taken to Bow Street court at least 20 Flying Squad detectives, some of them likely to be armed, will drive in the column of cars.

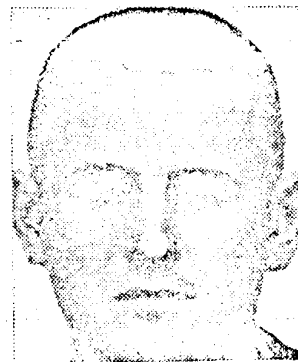
Ray will appear in court at 10.30 a.m. charged with illegally having a firearm and ammunition and with holding a forged passport.



ON APRIL 17 the FBI said this was Eric Starvo Galt, sought for questioning after Dr Martin Luther King's murder



ON MAY 7, the FBI issued this picture of Ray and said it was taken in Mexico last year



ON APRIL 19 they issued this picture of James Earl Ray and said he and Galt were the same man



ON THE SAME DAY, they issued this picture of Ray and said it was taken in California early this year

He is said to have had two Canadian passports when he landed at Heathrow from Lisbon in a BEA Trident on his way to Brussels.

American moves to extradite Ray will be outlined at today's hearing, but the proceedings may drag out over the next few weeks. He has 28 days in which to appeal against an extradition order.

## Closed

To try to speed the extradition America's Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. Fred Vinson, flew to London yesterday. He saw Ray and Superintendent Butler and then went to the United States Embassy.

Ray is almost certain to be remanded to Brixton Jail in South London. He will be put in the maxi security wing and he will wear distinctive prison overalls when moving outside his cell.

Meanwhile Cannon Row, the narrow thoroughfare which runs alongside the police station at the former site of Scotland Yard, was closed to all vehicles.

And only police officers, coming on duty in their own cars, were allowed into adjoining Derby Gate, which leads from the police station entrance into Whitehall.

While Ray sleeps his two guards sit silently under low-power lights.

Civilian staff must show their passes if they have to go near the narrow, guarded corridor leading to the cell.

Ray's card 'school' is in austere surroundings. There are no pictures on the walls.

The mattress overlaps a plain wooden bed; there are a table and chairs for the detectives.

Captive and captors get

their meals from the canteen at Cannon Row: often prepared by one or two of the four coloured kitchen staff.

There is a strong theory that the murder of Dr King, the Negro Civil Rights leader, at Memphis, Tennessee, was connected with a powerful U.S.-based Right-Wing political group with vast connections and financial resources in Europe.

But America's Attorney-General, Ramsey Clark, said on American TV yesterday that there was no conspiracy in this or the two Kennedy killings.

He said the evidence was 'overwhelmingly clear' that a single man in each case was

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# Luther King man FROM PAGE ONE

behind the murders. 'At this time we have no evidence that Dr King's killer was not acting alone,' he said.

*The two-month trail which led to Heathrow Airport began in Canada a few days after the murder of Dr King.*

**On April 8** Ray checked into a boarding house in the Polish district of Toronto.

He signed himself Paul Bridgeman, the name of a local schoolteacher. Police believe it was chosen at random from a telephone directory.

Mrs Fela Szpakowsky, the landlady, found him a 'perfect gentleman' keeping regular hours.

Ray's bleak 15ft.-by-12ft. lodging-room had a television set, a 'Home sweet home' design and a picture of Christ.

He had a passport photo taken at Mabel Agnew's studio. The photographer, Margaret Eakin, thought he looked 'a normal business executive.'

One day a letter arrived for him from the provincial registrar's office, which issues birth certificates. That day Ray left the house and did not return.

**On April 19** Ray moved to the city's Chinatown and rented a back single room in the home of Mr and Mrs Loo Sun. To them he was Ramon George Sneyd, a hotel porter.

Ironically, the real Sneyd is a Toronto policeman.

Mr and Mrs Loo Sun thought Ray a puzzling character. 'He used to disappear for days at a time. He hardly used the room at all,' said Mr Sun.

There were important things to do. Ray booked a 21-day excursion air ticket to London for £147 18s. 4d, at the Kennedy travel bureau on Bloor Street. He filled in a form and swore it was all true.

**On April 25** Ray applied for a passport—to the fury of Washington, fugitives find passports easy to come by in Canada.

The passport was granted, but a spelling mistake was made and the name was written as 'Sneya,' a fact that was later to embarrass Ray.

Soon, the Canadian Mounted Police in Ottawa realised that the 'Sneyd' application was false and warned the FBI and London.

The Mounties searched more than 400,000 passport application records in the dead of night to ensure secrecy. They found Ray's picture over the name of Ramon George Sneyd.

**On May 5** Ray flew to London. But he escaped identification because his passport photograph bore no resemblance to the one issued to security authorities.

**On May 7** he took a BEA flight to Lisbon. By this time the G-men were on his heels.

They trailed him through Portugal and Spain. But the order from Washington was firm: *Do not arrest him.* The FBI feared extradition delays.

In Lisbon, Ray checked

into the Hotel Portugal and took a room at £2 16s. a day on the first floor overlooking the quiet suburban street of Joao das Regras.

A hotel clerk said he went nightclubbing like a rich tourist, sometimes until 6 a.m.

But when the 'rich tourist' left the hotel, chambermaid Maria Celeste, 31, said: 'He went without tipping me.'

**On May 16** Ray proved once again that Canadian passports are easily obtainable by getting another at the Canadian Embassy in Lisbon.

He asked that the spelling of his name be corrected from 'Sneya' to Sneyd.

The Embassy told him the original passport would have to be cancelled, and issued a new one only after he had produced a birth certificate 'proving' his identity.

**On May 17** Ray flew back to London with his new passport and stayed in two hotels.

Last week he returned to Lisbon, but stayed there only one day before taking a BEA Trident back to London.

**On June 4**, last Tuesday, the watching G-men warned Scotland Yard that Ray was planning to fly through London using one of his many aliases.

**On June 8**, last Saturday, Ray flew to London and the 65-day hunt—the biggest manhunt in the history of the FBI—said Attorney-General Ramsey Clark—was over.



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**RAY SPENT 'LIKE RICH TOURIST'**

LISBON, Sunday. The man police have identified as James Earl Ray spent May 8-17 in Portugal, spending money in night clubs "like a rich tourist," Portuguese police said today.

Insp. Jose Paco, head of the Portuguese section of Interpol, said the man left Lisbon on May 17th on a flight for London. They had no official record of him after that.—U P I.

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Mr. Fred M. Vinson, Jr., United States Assistant Attorney-General, outside the American Embassy in London yesterday.

## LAW CHIEF FLIES IN FOR EXTRADITION

By JOHN WEEKS

**MR. FRED M. VINSON, Jr.**, United States Assistant Attorney-General, flew into London yesterday to "expedite the extradition" of James Earl Ray, who is wanted for questioning by American police investigating the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Mr. Vinson held a conference at Scotland Yard with Det. Chief Supt. Thomas Butler, Head of the Yard's Flying Squad and Det. Chief Insp. Kenneth Thompson.

Ray was arrested at Heathrow Airport, London, on Saturday morning. He was later charged under the name of Ramon George Sneyd, with possessing a forged passport and possessing a firearm and ammunition without a certificate. He was on his way to Brussels.

Last night Ray was being held at Cannon Row police station, Westminster. A stringent security operation will be put into operation for his appearance in court at Bow Street today.

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### EXTRADITION ORDER

Little difficulty

OUR LEGAL CORRESPONDENT WRITES: Little procedural difficulty is likely in the extradition of Ray to America to face a charge of murdering Dr. King.

A treaty providing for the extradition of alleged murderers has been in operation between Britain and America since 1794. Before a person can be extradited to America, a court here must be satisfied that there is a good claim for extradition. Final approval for the extradition rests with the Government.

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# FBI praise for aid given by Scotland Yard

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT—Washington, June 9

The arrest of James Earl Ray was made on the basis of information supplied by the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Scotland Yard, and police forces in other countries.

The announcement of the arrest in London came in the midst of the sorrow surrounding the funeral of Senator Robert Kennedy. Mrs. Coretta King, widow of Dr. King, was told of the arrest as she left St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Cathedral in New York yesterday morning. She bowed her head, but made no other response.

The Justice Department immediately announced that it would seek extradition of Mr. Ray on a murder indictment returned against him in Memphis, Tennessee, on May 7. In making the announcement of the arrest, Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F.B.I., praised Scotland Yard and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for their cooperation in the search.

In Memphis—the city in which Dr. King was shot on April 4 as he stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel—the mayor, Mr. Henry Loeb, said he was delighted at the news of the arrest.

It is believed that Mr. Ray arrived in Toronto as early as four days after Dr. King was killed, before the warrant for his arrest was issued on April 17. Officials decline to say how he managed to leave the United States at a time when a general manhunt had begun.

Several times during the search police thought they had been able to trace Mr. Ray to definite locations—first in Florida, then in California, and then in Mexico—but each time the trail vanished. The F.B.I. also quietly concentrated the main emphasis of the search in Canada, because of its long, unguarded frontier with the United States and because it is said that Canadian passports are

easy to obtain. It is common practice for criminals to take out a second passport, officials say, because they are able to alter this later to establish another fictitious identity.

It was also known that Mr. Ray had been in Canada previously. The F.B.I. now claims that he was in Montreal in the summer of 1967 when he enrolled, under the name of Eric Galt, in a correspondence course in locksmithing offered by a school in New Jersey.

In Resurrection City, the Poor People's camp in Washington, the Rev. Hosea Williams, of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, said that he was pleased about the arrest but added: "We are not as worried about that one man as we are about the whole sick evil system which produces violence."

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# Photo clue in search for Ray

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT  
OTTAWA, JUNE 9

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police have played a vital part in the search for James Earl Ray, wanted in connexion with the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King in Memphis, Tennessee, two months ago.

Vital information concerning Mr. Ray was passed on to Scotland Yard and the Federal Bureau of Investigation a few days ago as the result of an intensive search of passport applications in Ottawa.

As soon as the F.B.I. began its investigations the R.C.M.P. were alerted, as has been confirmed by the Canadian Solicitor-General, Mr. John Turner. There had been reports that Mr. Ray had slipped across the border at Cornwall, Ontario, and had been seen in Montreal and Toronto.

As a matter of routine, the R.C.M.P. asked permission to examine the passport applications in the files of the External Affairs Department.

As the result of what has been described as a month-long search of "colossal" proportions, involving the scrutiny of between 200,000 and 400,000 applications, they found a photograph that looked like the wanted man.

## Growing FBI doubts

*Peter Hopkirk, who spent three weeks in the United States reporting the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King and the inquiries that followed writes:—*

No one will be more anxious than the F.B.I. to discover whether James Earl Ray will be able to help them to find the answer to a question that all along has disturbed investigators into the murder of Dr. King.

Within hours of the shot being fired at Dr. King as he looked down from his Memphis motel balcony, they found themselves asking whether it was simply the work of one man.

President Johnson's Attorney General, Mr. Ramsay Clark, clearly had no such doubts. From the moment he flew into Memphis immediately after the murder he committed himself—and officially the F.B.I., too—to the "lone assassin" theory.

However, F.B.I. investigators to whom I spoke during the days after the shooting grew increasingly less confident of this as the weeks passed without an arrest. Their "massive trail of evidence", which at first had looked so promising, began to appear more and more as though perhaps it had been planted on them.

If evidence of a conspiracy does emerge no one would be more gratified than the F.B.I., for this would go a long way towards explaining how one man was able to tie the world's greatest investigative organization virtually in knots for more than two months.

While the discovery of such a plot—if one does exist—would save their blushes at the expense of their chief, the Attorney-General, this would not worry them unduly. For it is no secret in Washington that F.B.I. officers do not like Mr. Clark. Many of them did not hide their annoyance at his "one lone killer" judgment the morning after the murder.

The reasons that made F.B.I. men come round to the belief that several men might be involved were largely the same reasons that caused many other Americans to have doubts about Mr. Clark's theory.

One puzzling factor is the doubt expressed by several witnesses about whether the F.B.I.'s "wanted" photograph of Mr. Ray showed the man they saw. These witnesses included the man who claims to have sold Mr. Ray a white Mustang car.

There are other curious factors which raise doubts over the "lone killer" theory.

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# Dr. KING SUSPECT HERE THREE WEEKS

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In London: PERCY HOSKINS, JOHN BALL,  
WILLIAM ALLISON. In Lisbon: FRANK HOWITT  
In Ottawa: RICHARD JACKSON

# SCOTLAND YARD detectives have discovered that James Earl Ray, the man wanted by the F.B.I. in connection with the killing of Dr. Martin Luther King, had been living in West London since mid-May.

They have traced four addresses in the area where he stayed—at one time, it is believed, with another man. This man's description has been flashed to police forces all over the world.

Ray, who has been charged with possessing a forged passport and possessing a loaded fire-arm without a certificate, was about to board a Brussels-bound plane at London Airport on Saturday when he was arrested.

## HIS HOTEL

He was travelling under the name of Ramon George Sneyd.

But contrary to first reports that he had arrived by plane at Heathrow from Lisbon only hours earlier, Yard officers have established he had been in London for about three weeks.

He is thought to have flown from Lisbon between May 16—when he made an appearance at the Canadian Embassy there—and May 20. He is known to have been at a West London hotel on May 22.

Last night, as moves to speed up Ray's return to the United States gathered force, Scotland Yard experts, aided by the F.B.I. and the Canadian Mounted Police, were piecing together a timetable of his movements in the past two months.

## THE TRAIL

began 12 days after Dr. King's assassination in Memphis, Tennessee, when Ray walked into a travel bureau in Toronto and booked a 21-day excursion to London for which he paid 345 dollars.

On May 7, he flew from Toronto on an Air Canada DC-8 arriving in London the following day.

Here he cashed in the return half of his trans-Atlantic air ticket and immediately took a B.E.A. flight to Lisbon, booking a room at the Hotel Portugal at 15s. a day.

In the hotel's register, he gave his name as *Raymond George Sneya*. Under the heading of occupation he wrote "Non." He listed his nationality as Canadian.

His room was No. 2 on the first floor, overlooking shabby back street hardware and shoe shops.



FRED VINSON



TOMMY BUTLER

Room clerk Juan Santo described Ray as a quiet guest. "He paid his bill regularly and was extremely well behaved. He spent quite a lot of time in the room at rather odd hours, in during the day time and out at night," he said.

## HIS HABITS

**ANOTHER** employee at the hotel, Louis Gentile, remembered: "Sometimes he would stay for days in his room and then go out and stay away for two days."

For nine days Ray remained in Lisbon. But before he checked out of his hotel on May 17, he paid a visit to the Canadian Embassy—again giving his name as Sneya.

**THEN**—probably on the same day Portuguese police believe—he returned to London.

His movements in the weeks before his arrest are not known—though Portuguese police can find no trace of him returning to Lisbon.

*But the trail was already narrowing.*

And when early last Saturday Special Branch men making checks at London Airport spotted the name Sneyd typed on a passenger list for the 11.50 a.m. B.E.A. flight 466 to Brussels, they acted.

## TODAY

Ray—after two days in a round-the-clock guarded cell at Cannon Row police station—will be taken to Bow Street Court under heavy escort. At least two armed C.I.D. men will go with him.

Elsewhere, two men will be meeting at Scotland Yard

to discuss means of transferring him to America.

*They are:* Mr. Fred M. Vinson, dapper Assistant Attorney-General and head of the Criminal Division of the U.S. Justice Department, who flew in to London yesterday, and Mr. Peter Brodie, Assistant Commissioner, Crime, at the Yard.

They have already been briefed by Crown legal advisers that formal extradition proceedings may not be necessary.

**THIS** procedure is only essential in cases where persons are apprehended solely on a charge for crimes in another country.

So the most probable course will be that after a week's remand in custody, the case will be heard fully.

And if Ray is convicted the magistrate will be asked to issue an immediate deportation order.

## HIS ROUTE

If this does happen, Ray is likely to be flown from a U.S. Air Force base in a military airplane for security reasons.

Yesterday Mr. Vinson's first call after he arrived was at Scotland Yard—personally to thank Detective Chief Superintendent Tommy Butler and his British colleagues for the part they played in the arrest.

It was Butler who last year pleaded for a year's postponement in his retirement to fulfil his life's ambition—to catch all the Train Robbers.

Said Mr. Vinson later: "I must take the opportunity of paying tribute to the work of Scotland Yard—and the Canadian Mounted Police—whose co-operation with the F.B.I. in this matter was simply splendid."

And he added: "The feeling in the United States is one of great relief."

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# US JUSTICE DEPARTMENT CHIEF INTERVIEWS KING CASE MAN



Mr. Fred Vinson, of the United States Justice Department, speaks to journalists outside the American Embassy in London.

## Court appearance at Bow Street today

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*THE TIMES*

Mr. Fred M. Vinson jr., assistant Attorney General and head of the criminal division of the United States Department of Justice, arrived in London yesterday and interviewed the man said to be James Earl Ray, wanted in connexion with the murder in Memphis of Dr. Martin Luther King, the Negro civil rights leader.

The Justice Department in Washington announced that it will seek extradition of Mr. Ray on a murder indictment returned against him in Memphis on May 7.

Mr. Ray will appear at Bow Street court today. He was arrested by Scotland Yard officers at Heathrow Airport on Saturday, and charged at Cannon Row police station with possessing a forged passport and having a firearm without a certificate.

Mr. Vinson said there were great feelings of relief throughout America at the news of the arrest.

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BY A STAFF REPORTER

Mr. Vinson, speaking from the steps of the American Embassy in Grosvenor Square, said: "The principal reason I am here is to assist in expediting the return of the prisoner to America. I also want to pay tribute to the work of Scotland Yard and the Royal Canadian Mounties for their co-operation with the F.B.I."

He would not comment on the events which had led up to the arrest or say what his next steps would be. He had seen Mr. Ray and had talks at Scotland Yard with officers including Detective-chief-superintendent Thomas Butler, head of the Flying Squad. Mr. Vinson refused to say whether he would be applying for an extradition order, and added that it was doubtful if he would be returning to America with the prisoner.

The man said by the F.B.I. to be Mr. Ray was in transit at Heathrow on his way between Lisbon and Brussels. He gave his name as Ramon George Sneyd, aged 35, born in Toronto, Canada, of no fixed address and unemployed. His arrest was made as a result of contacts between the F.B.I., Scotland Yard, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

F.B.I. men in London were yesterday checking the movements of Mr. Ray. They think he may already have spent some time in London. He was arrested as a result of a secret message from the F.B.I. that he was in Europe.

Detective-superintendent William Marchant ordered an all-ports watch by Special Branch

men. Mr. Ray was first seen at London Airport by an immigration officer who called Special Branch officers.

*Our Legal Correspondent writes:—*

When Mr. Ray appears at Bow Street magistrates' court today it is likely that he will be remanded on the two charges of having a firearm without a certificate and possessing a forged passport.

An application for his extradition is not expected to be made until Mr. Vinson has conferred with the authorities here. Unless Mr. Ray volunteers to return to the United States, proceedings will be brought before the magistrate at Bow Street to effect his extradition.

Such proceedings are similar to a committal; a *prima facie* case must be made out before an extradition order can be made. Mr. Ray must be told of his right to be represented and to be granted legal aid for the purpose if appropriate.

If an extradition order is made, Mr. Ray must be given time to challenge the proceedings by applying for a writ of *habeas corpus* in the High Court, and to go through the normal processes of appeal. This might take several weeks.

The extradition treaty between Britain and the United States applies to offences under both state and federal law. Murder is a state offence for which Mr. Ray, if extradited, would be tried in Tennessee; while conspiracy, for which he is also wanted, is a federal offence.



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# Dr King: suspect held in London

By Anthony Cowdy and Alexander Mitchell

JAMES EARL RAY, the 40-year-old American the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been seeking since the assassination of Dr Martin Luther King more than two months ago, was arrested at London Airport yesterday. The arrest was disclosed in Washington by the Director of the FBI, Mr J. Edgar Hoover, who said Ray had been travelling under the name of Ramon George Sneyd.

Ray flew in from Lisbon aboard a B E A Trident jet. Carrying a passport, wearing dark glasses and dressed in light-coloured raincoat over grey trousers and a sports jacket, he went to the immigration desk for the next stage of his journey, a B E A flight to Brussels.

Immigration officers questioned Ray, then called in Scotland Yard. He was arrested at 11.15 a.m. by Chief Superintendent Tom Butler, head of the Flying Squad, and Chief Inspector Kenneth Thompson, also of the Flying Squad. Last night, Ray was being held under maximum security at Cannon Row Police Station.

In New York, Mrs Coretta King, widow of the Negro civil rights' leader, was leaving St.



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Patrick's Cathedral, after attending Requiem Mass for Senator Robert Kennedy, when she was told of Ray's arrest. She refused to comment. But in Memphis, Tennessee, where Dr King was shot down outside the Lorraine Motel on April 4, the city police chief, Mr Frank Holloman, said he was "elated" at the news.

A world wide hunt for Ray began 31 days ago after a grand jury in Memphis returned a first-degree murder indictment against Ray. Mr Edgar Hoover said that the search for Ray, who had also used the name Eric Starvo Galt, had covered Canada, Mexico, Portugal, Britain, Australia and other countries.

It was in Canada, apparently, that the trail was picked up. In Ottawa yesterday the Royal Canadian Mounted Police explained how they had checked through some 100,000 passport applications. After many days they came across a picture which resembled photos of Ray.

The Mounties were soon talking to the real Sneyd, who happens to be a 35-year-old Toronto policeman. Next it came out that Ray had booked a round trip to London through a travel agency.

In London, on May 6 he apparently changed his plans and went to Lisbon. After that he

dropped out of sight, but by now the FBI, Scotland Yard, Canadian Mounties and Portuguese officials were on the look-out for him. When he arrived at London Airport yesterday the search was over.

At the United States Embassy in Grosvenor Square, London, a spokesman said: "We can confirm that Scotland Yard has arrested a man in connection with the assassination of Dr King. Presumably this man is a US citizen and the question of extradition will arise. It could be a question of voluntary extradition, but if necessary we would formally request an extradition order."

As news of Ray's arrest became known, crowds gathered outside Cannon Row police station, close to Westminster Bridge. Some people climbed on to the stonework outside the station to try to get a glimpse of what was going on inside. By evening there were some 300 people, many of them Americans. Finally, police closed the wrought-iron main gates and a policeman with a loud hailer said: "Go home. No one is being moved tonight."

Sneyd, the name Ray was reported to be using when he arrived in London, is a name

widely known in Ontario, and dates back to the American War of Independence, when British subjects, fleeing north from George Washington's rebellion, formed the United Empire Loyalists. According to Canadian police, Ray arrived in Canada soon after the death of Dr King and spent a month there.

It was during this time that some 6,000 F.B.I. agents, countless US state and local police were seeking a man with the name of Eric Starvo Galt. The F.B.I. even filed a charge against Galt of conspiring to violate the civil rights of Dr Martin Luther King.

Then, after an exhaustive check of fingerprints, the F.B.I. said Galt and Ray were the same person. After that the F.B.I. identified Ray as the owner of an abandoned 1966 white Mustang car which was found in Atlanta, Georgia, seven days after the assassination of Dr King. As Eric Galt, Ray had bought the car in Birmingham, Alabama, on August 30, 1967.

Some time after the shooting, Ray was in Mexico. "We definitely know that," the FBI said yesterday. "We identified him in Mexico." Then nothing, until the trail was picked up in Canada.

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**Swoop at London Airport  
after tip from Mounties**

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SUNDAY EXPRESS

Sunday Express Reporter

**THE MAN** hunted by American police to face a charge of murdering Negro leader Dr. Martin Luther King was arrested by Scotland Yard men yesterday as he waited at London Airport to board a plane for Brussels.

He gave the name of Raymond George Sneyd. But in Washington the U.S. Attorney-General, Mr. Ramsey Clark, said the arrested man was James Earl Ray, who has been sought in America for two months by 6,000 F.B.I. agents and countless State and local police officers.

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Sneyd—or Ray—was charged at Cannon Row police station with possessing a forged passport and having a firearm without a certificate. He will appear at Bow Street tomorrow.

Extradition proceedings will swiftly be put in force; and Ray will probably be taken back to Memphis, Tennessee, where, on April 4, Martin Luther King was shot on an hotel balcony in the centre of the town.

Two U.S. marshals are flying to London tomorrow to act as escort.

### Trailed

Ray flew into London at 6.15 a.m. yesterday from Lisbon. It is understood that police in several European countries, acting in co-operation with the F.B.I., had been trailing his movements during the last few days.

According to the Justice Department in Washington, Ray had been living the life of a man-about-town, spending freely at night clubs.

Ray's plane from Lisbon was 20 minutes late. He had intended to transfer to a plane for Brussels. But an immigration officer stopped him at a control barrier as he was about to enter a transit lounge with other passengers.

He was asked to step into an office while "further inquiries" were made. There he was joined by Special Branch officers who searched him.

A swift round of inquiries started between the airport, Scotland Yard, and the Canadian and American embassies.

Then, shortly after 11 a.m., Chief Superintendent Thomas Butler, head of the Flying Squad who has postponed retirement to complete the Train Robbery inquiry, arrived at the airport with other detectives.

### Sealed off

Police sealed off an area which took in two main terminal buildings and all main disembarkation piers. And the arrest was made.

Ray, who was wearing a raincoat and a crumpled grey suit, was rushed to Cannon Row.

The whole operation was carried out swiftly, silently. None of the hundreds of travellers in the airport buildings had any idea of what was happening.

According to reports from America, Ray was "profane and unco-operative" after his arrest.

It was the Royal Canadian Mounted Police who broke the tangled case just when it seemed that the trail was cold.

In Ottawa, a Mounties official said that in a check on 400,000 passport pictures on Canadian files, one was found that looked like Ray.

Ray, according to the F.B.I., is a "drifter" who has come from a poor family and who has a long criminal record, including a 20-year sentence for armed robbery.

The reports that he has recently been leading a gay life pose questions which will disturb the American people.

*Where did he get his money from? Has he secret backers—and was the killing of Martin Luther King therefore not the act of a deranged "loner," but the result of a powerful conspiracy?*

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# Luther King murder : man held in London

by PETER DEELEY

**JAMES EARL RAY, wanted in connection with the assassination of Dr Martin Luther King, the Negro civil rights leader, was arrested at Heathrow Airport yesterday.**

He was detained by Scotland Yard officers at 11.15 a.m. and was held under heavy guard at London's Cannon Row police station.

Three national police forces—the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Scotland Yard and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police—working through Interpol were concerned in the arrest.

Ray, alias Eric Starvo Galt, alias Raymond George Sneyd—the name he was travelling under—was stopped by immigration officers at Heathrow and questioned about the Canadian passport he was carrying in the name of Sneyd.



James Earl Ray

He was taken to a search room and the officers impounded certain items from his luggage. An FBI spokesman in Washington said that a loaded revolver was taken from his hip pocket.

Last night a Scotland Yard spokesman said he was being charged in the name of Sneyd 'with possessing a forged passport and carrying firearms without a permit.'

Ray is due to appear at Bow Street magistrates' court tomorrow where it is understood an application for his extradition to the United States will be made by a legal representative of the American Embassy.

Dr King was killed by a sniper's bullet from a high-powered rifle as he stood on the balcony of a motel in Memphis, Tennessee, on 4 April, where he had gone to lead a coloured people's march.

Dr King was buried with full honours at his home city of Atlanta, Georgia. His death sparked off rioting in Negro areas throughout the country. In the first 24 hours after his murder police reported 200 fires in the Negro area of Memphis alone.

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## 20-year sentence

A fortnight after the killing, the FBI issued a warrant charging Eric Starvo Galt with conspiracy in the assassination of Dr King. The United States Attorney-General, Mr Ramsey Clark, said Galt was being sought as a fugitive on a Federal charge of conspiring to violate Dr King's civil rights.

The FBI issued pictures of Galt—later identified by the Bureau under his true name of Ray—describing him as 'a neat dresser of medium build.' The FBI stated that he had escaped a year before from the Missouri State Penitentiary, where he was serving a 20-year sentence for armed robbery, by hiding in a truck.

Pictures of Ray were distributed throughout America, particularly along the Mexican border where it was known he had friends. Other copies were sent to Interpol and to the FBI agents attached to various American embassies abroad. Once, Ray was almost caught in a Northern American town but he escaped his pursuers by minutes. It was the biggest manhunt in the history of the Bureau. For two months 6,000 agents had been following up leads as far apart as Mexico and Australia.

## FBI's tip

The search turned to Europe when information was passed to national police forces in Britain, Portugal and Belgium that Ray was believed to be in their territory.

The Canadian mounted police undercover division supplied the first vital evidence when a search of more than 200,000 passport applications revealed that two had been issued to a man bearing a resemblance to Ray—one in Ottawa on 24 April and the other from the Canadian Embassy in Lisbon on 16 May.

The scrutiny of Canadian passports was started by a tip to the FBI that Ray had crossed the American frontier bound for Ottawa. The search of documents took several days, but once the application, in the name of Sneyd, was discovered, it was quickly found to be fraudulent.

Ray had lived for a month in Toronto, arriving there four days after the killing of Dr King, staying in two boarding houses in poorer areas of the city. He flew to London on 6 May on a round-trip ticket but then apparently changed his mind and changed the return half for a flight to Lisbon instead, staying in London only a few hours.

Full details of the forged passport were relayed to all European airports after the travel agent who had supplied Ray with the flight tickets had been seen by Canadian police.

In London, Detective Chief Superintendent Thomas Butler—the man who brought back Great Train Robber Charles Wilson from Canada earlier

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# Dr King: Man held

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this year—and Detective Chief Inspector Kenneth Thompson were placed on the inquiry.

Yesterday a man calling himself Raymond George Sneyd arrived at Heathrow on a BEA Trident at 6.10 a.m. He was booked to fly out again at 7.50 a.m. on a BEA flight to Brussels. But the immigration police, reinforced by Scotland Yard special branch detectives, intercepted Sneyd and took him on one side. According to eye-witnesses he agreed to go to the immigration point without any fuss.

## Mass invasion

*Anthony Howard writes from Washington:* The announcement of Ray's arrest broke with dramatic impact here today. Most of the nation learned of it from television when the networks interrupted their coverage of the Kennedy funeral to give the news flash.

At Resurrection City, the poor people's camp here in Washington, a special announcement was made over the loudspeaker system. The news that an arrest had at last been made was received with considerable satisfaction by those taking part in the mass invasion of the nation's capital that Martin Luther King himself was to have led.

But as the day wore on questions began to be asked. Ray's movement half-way round the world in the last month inevitably provoked suspicions that if he was the assassin he could not have been acting alone.

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# in London

By News of the World Crime Squad

**THE man indicted for assassinating Martin Luther King—last American leader to be gunned down before Bobby Kennedy—was arrested by Scotland Yard detectives yesterday as he tried to leave London Airport on a flight to Brussels.**

First news of the arrest was given by Mr J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, to assembled newspapermen in the United States Department of Justice in Washington. They were called together by the United States Attorney-General, Mr Ramsey Clark, for "an important announcement."

Mr Hoover said that James Earl Ray, sought by 6,000 FBI agents and the world's police for two months, was arrested at 11.15 a.m. London time yesterday.

Ray, said Mr Hoover, was travelling under the name of Ronald or Ramon George Sneyd. At the time of his arrest, he had a fully loaded revolver in his possession and two Canadian passports.

## Search

One of these was issued 20 days after the murder and one had been used in Portugal.

"This," said Mr Hoover, "is the end of a search that has been carried all over the United States, Canada, Mexico and Europe."

A Scotland Yard statement said: "Ramon George Sneyd, who described himself as being born on the [redacted] in Toronto, of no fixed abode or occupation, was arrested at London Airport. "He was charged at Cannon Row police station with possessing a forged passport and possessing a firearm without a certificate and will appear at Bow Street Magistrates' Court at 10.30 a.m. on Monday."

Martin Luther King was

shot dead on a motel balcony in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 4. A grand jury indicted Ray on May 7—and launched the biggest manhunt the FBI had ever known.

The drama in Britain, it was learned on high authority last night, began when the FBI contacted Scotland Yard and said they thought that Ray was either in, or likely to try to enter, this country.

A full description of him and his aliases was provided. Scotland Yard checked and found that nobody fitting the description was about—but, airport and port immigration checking facilities were especially alerted.

## From Lisbon

Continual contact was maintained between the FBI, the Canadian Mounties and Chief Det Supt Tommy Butler, head of Scotland Yard's Flying Squad.

Then, yesterday morning, a man wearing glasses and dressed in a light coloured raincoat, a sports jacket and grey trousers arrived at London Airport on a flight from Lisbon and went with other transit passengers to transfer to a Brussels-bound plane.

Tommy Butler and Det Chief Inspector Ken Thompson pounced.

News of the arrest was broken to Luther King's widow as she left St Patrick's Cathedral, New York, at the end of the Requiem Mass held there for Bobby Kennedy.

She has been at Mrs Ethel Kennedy's side almost from the moment she too was widowed by an assassin's bullet.

Meanwhile, Ray was under

heavy guard at Cannon Row. Outside a crowd gathered.

One American tourist sobbed: "They've got him. Thank God."

There was an egg-and-chips meal for the arrested man as he settled down in a cell to wait for tomorrow's appearance in court.

At one stage a police car pulled up at Cannon Row and two detectives got out. One of them was carrying a small "air case" with a BOAC label on it.

He snatched off the label and crammed it in his pocket.

Meanwhile, news of the arrest reverberated round the world.

In Washington, Mr Hoover praised what he called "outstanding co-operation" between police forces.

In Memphis, Tennessee,

police chief Frank Holloman said: "We are hopeful that Ray will be brought to Memphis at the earliest possible date to stand trial."

In Ottawa there were complaints that foreigners obtain Canadian passports too easily.

An External Affairs Department official said it was "difficult to deny a person a Canadian passport when he presents an application properly notarised by a qualified, responsible sponsor."

Passport applications must bear the signature of a sponsor — a lawyer, bank manager, or some person of similar standing, confirming that he has known the applicant for at least two years.

How Ray obtained his passport remains to be investigated.





**JAMES EARL RAY — arrested as he tried to fly to Brussels**

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# POLICE HOLD MAN WITH LOADED GUN

**JAMES EARL RAY**, wanted in connection with the murder of Negro civil rights leader Martin Luther King, is in a London police cell under heavy guard.

Scotland Yard pounced on him at 11.15 a.m. yesterday as he was passing through London airport immigration intending to fly to Brussels.

He had a fully loaded pistol in his hip pocket and carried two Canadian passports in the name of Ramon George Sneyd. He was taken to Cannon Row police station.

Ray, aged 40, escaped from Missouri State Penitentiary in April, 1967. A year later Dr. King was murdered in Memphis, Tennessee.

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F.B.I., said extradition proceedings will be started soon for Ray's return to the United States to face a murder charge.

Late last night Ray was charged with having a forged passport and possessing a firearm without a certificate. He will appear at Bow Street Magistrates court tomorrow.



*James Earl Ray — seized with a loaded pistol.*

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# Luther King Suspect Held In London

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By PETER GLADSTONE SMITH

**J**AMES EARL RAY, 40, who is wanted by American police investigating the assassination of the Negro civil rights leader, Martin Luther King, was arrested at Heathrow Airport, London, yesterday. He was detained by Scotland Yard officers a few hours before Dr. King's widow, Mrs. Coretta King, was attending the funeral of Senator Kennedy.

Scotland Yard said that Ray was travelling under the identity of Ramon George Sneyd, born on [redacted] in Toronto, Canada. He was taken to Cannon Row police station.

There he was charged with having a firearm without a certificate and possessing a forged passport. He will appear at Bow Street tomorrow.

At the same time it was stated in Washington by Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, that when arrested Ray was carrying "a fully loaded pistol."

### B.E.A. flight

Ray arrived in London aboard a B.E.A. Trident jet flight BE 075 from Lisbon at 6.10 a.m. He was going to fly on to Brussels on B.E.A. flight 462 which left without him at 7.50 a.m.

Meantime officials in the immigration office of the Europe passenger building had spotted his passport and called in Scotland Yard. Ray was identified as a result of painstaking detective work by the Royal Canadian "Mounties."

On checking through 40,000 passport pictures at the request of the F.B.I. they found one that looked like Ray. The man whose name was on the passport, Ramon George Sneyd, was traced to a Toronto lodging house and he knew nothing of any passport application.

Then a travel agency provided a clue. "Sneyd" had bought a roundtrip ticket to London and flown the Atlantic on May 5.

Next day after reaching London

he turned in the return half of his ticket and used it to pay for a flight to Lisbon, where he got another passport on May 16 and dropped out of sight. All immigration points in Europe were alerted by a "tip-off" through Interpol.

In charge of the police operation at Heathrow was Det. Chief Supt. Thomas Butler, 55, chief of the Flying Squad, who was in charge of the Great Train Robbery inquiry and is due to retire next month. With him was Det. Chief Insp. Kenneth Thompson, of the British Interpol office.



James Earl Ray  
— a picture  
issued by the  
F.B.I.

Ray was driven from the airport to Whitehall in a Flying Squad car. As the news spread more than 100 spectators gathered outside Cannon Row police station.

As soon as a signal from the Yard reached Washington the United States Attorney-General, Mr. Ramsey Clark, gave a dramatic Press conference in the Justice Department.

Mr. Hoover, who has headed the search for Ray during the past 65 days, since Dr. King's assassination, in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 4, said the accused was being held "under maximum security conditions on a passport violation."

He said that Ray had two Canadian passports in the name of Ramon George Sneyd in his possession. Ray was wearing glasses and was dressed in a raincoat, sports jacket and grey trousers when he was arrested.

A police officer gave the news outside the cathedral to Mrs.

King and to the Rev. Ralph Abernathy, who took over leadership of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference on Dr. King's death.

Ray is wanted in the United States on a first degree murder charge issued on April 17, charging him under the name of Eric Starvo Galt with Dr. King's assassination. He is also being charged with a conspiracy in the same connection.

Three days later under his real name, Ray, he was placed on the "10 most wanted" list.

Only two days ago Senator Edward Kennedy, brother of America's latest assassination victim, expressed anger with the Federal Bureau of Investigation for failing to track down the man wanted in connection with Dr. King's murder.

He told a friend aboard the Presidential airliner bringing his brother's body back to New York from Los Angeles that the F.B.I. had failed to find the "faceless men" in the King case and he was angry about it.

### World-wide hunt

A world-wide search for Ray has been under way since the assassination of Dr. King at Memphis, when he was standing on the balcony of a Negro-owned motel.

Immediately after the assassination, the F.B.I. announced they were seeking Ray for escaping from Missouri State Penitentiary in April 1967, where he was serving a 20-year sentence for armed robbery.

The manhunt has been the biggest in the history of the F.B.I., who passed information to the Yard in London. About 6,000 F.B.I. agents, countless U.S. State and local police, and the police forces of 100 countries have been looking for him.

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# Dr KING SUSPECT HERE 3 WEEKS

## *Mystery calls to 'Daily Telegraph'*

### 'I WANT TO JOIN THE MERCENARIES'

By IAN COLVIN

**R**AMON GEORGE SNEYD, 40, believed to be the James Earl Ray wanted for questioning concerning the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, was apparently in Britain for 21 days before his arrest by Special Branch officers at Heathrow Airport on Saturday.

Sneyd, alias Eric Starvo Galt, arrived in Portugal on May 8 and left for London on May 17. He was known to have been in London at least until last Thursday. On Saturday he was arrested at Heathrow while in transit to Brussels.

The arrest followed several nervous telephone calls to me by a man calling himself Ramon Sneyd from London coin boxes. When he first rang *The Daily Telegraph* last Tuesday, he spoke to the Foreign Room.

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He said he wanted to find out how he could become a mercenary.

He was transferred to me because I had written several stories about the foreign mercenaries in Africa.

### FIRST WORDS

#### "This is Sneyd"

When we first spoke, a Canadian or perhaps American voice said to me: "This is Ramon Sneyd. I want to join my brother who has been in Angola."

I understood him to be talking about the mercenary forces that had fought in the Congo. Mr. Sneyd asked me whether I could put him in touch with a British mercenary officer who might be able to help.

I offered to ask the officer in question, Major Alistair Wicks, to telephone him back, as Mr. Sneyd sounded over-wrought and somewhat incoherent.

### CALL TO MAJOR

#### No recollection of name

The next move was to ring Major Wicks, former second-in-command of Five Commando in the Congo. I told him that a man claiming some association with the mercenaries through his brother wanted to be put in touch.

The name seemed to mean nothing to Major Wicks, and he did not respond to the call.

Last Thursday the man called me back, again speaking from a telephone box. He had by now moved from the New Earl's Court Hotel in Penywern Road to the Pax Hotel, Pimlico.

This time he was more explicit. He said that his brother was not missing but that he had not seen him for four months. It was not so much that he wanted to start a search for his brother, but he wished to become a mercenary in Africa himself.

### BRUSSELS ADDRESS

#### Persistent search

I pointed out that the day for rescuing missionaries was over, and that both British and African governments frowned on mercenaries.

But I offered to provide him with an address in Brussels at which he might pursue the search for his brother if he wished to do so.

Mr. Sneyd seemed most insistent on having any address that offered him a further stage on his journey.

### LOCKED DOOR

#### Room full of papers

I discovered later from Mrs. Anna Thomas, proprietor of the Pax Hotel, that Mr. Sneyd used to lock his door at nights in the hotel and his early morning tea could be served only with difficulty. The first day he was there he stayed in Room 2, and later moved to Room 3 on the second floor.

His rooms were full of newspapers. He spent most of the day in bed, complaining of a headache, and hardly ever went out.

"Mr. Sneyd tore up a lot of papers," Mrs. Thomas said. "He paid in English money, but bargained when he came in."

"I told him that it would have to be 30s a night. He only had a small flight bag with him, but lots of newspapers. He washed his own clothes."

After the man left the hotel a syringe was found stuffed down a wastepipe in one of the rooms where he stayed.

Mrs. Thomas, who is Swedish, said that her telephone number is ex-directory because she gets many calls when the hotel is full.

The rooms are bright and decorated in blue and cream. One of  
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## King suspect

By IAN COLVIN

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those occupied by the man contained a double bed with a blue bedspread.

There was blue wallpaper patterned with peacocks, and a painting of a country scene. The room overlooks a small backyard.

### EARLIER ATTEMPT

#### Flight overbooked

Mrs. Thomas added that Mr. Sneyd made an unsuccessful attempt to leave Britain on Thursday or Friday and received a telephone call from British European Airways to say that the flight on which he had wished to leave for Germany was overbooked.

I showed her a picture of James Earl Ray, published after the announcement of his arrest. "That could be him," she said. "But he is much thinner in the face."

At his first hotel, I found that the police had arrived before me. The receptionist said: "All the papers are with the police and you will have to get in touch with Chief Insp. Thompson at Scotland Yard."

Both the New Earl's Court Hotel and the Pax are not far from air terminals. The first is near BEA's terminal, and the Pax near BOAC's.

It seems that the man chose both hotels at random as part of his unsettled movements.

I ended the puzzling dialogue with Mr. Sneyd by writing a postcard advising him to pursue his inquiries through the consular section of the Foreign Office.

When I heard of the arrest at Heathrow the disjointed conversations of the past week began to make sense.

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# Conspiracy theory raised by arrest

By HENRY MILLER  
NEW YORK, Sunday.

THE possibility grew today that the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King was the result of a conspiracy as it became clearer why James Earl Ray, the man accused of the murder, who was arrested in London yesterday, had not been apprehended earlier.

The ease with which he traveled to Canada, flew to Europe, used another name and financed his journeys, raised fresh speculation that others must have been involved.

His brother, John Larry Ray, 34, of St. Louis, said:

"If he did kill King, he would have done it for a lot of money. He did not do anything if it was not for money. And those who paid him wouldn't have wanted him sitting in a courtroom telling everything he knows."

## "BOUNTY" OFFER National search

Speculation about a conspiracy has been persistent. A group of southern businessmen were said to have put up \$100,000 (£41,000) for the murder of Dr. King. Intensive inquiries by the FBI have failed to establish that such a bounty was offered.

It is now known that Ray, 40, reached Toronto on April 8, four days after the murder of Dr. King in Memphis, Tennessee. For four weeks, while the FBI sought him in all 50 States and abroad,

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he lived in seedy lodging houses on Toronto's west side.

Ray, also known as Eric Starvo Galt, first rented a room from Polish-born Mrs. Fela Szapkowski, in Ossington Street, Toronto.

She called him "a complete gentleman." He left the house each morning at 8.30, returned at noon for lunch and would go out again in the afternoon. He stayed in his room after supper and never had visitors.

On April 19, he rented another room for \$9 (£3 15s) a week in Dundas Street West, run by Mr. and Mrs. Loo Sun. He told them that he worked at an hotel and that his name was Ramon George Sneyd.

They said that he seldom used the room during the first week and that he was away for days at a time.

One day in April, Ray called at the Kennedy Travel Bureau in Bloor Street and paid \$345 (£143) for a 21-day return excursion flight to London. He told Miss Lillian Spencer, an employee there, that he had no passport. Ray knew this would be no problem.

On April 25 a passport was posted to Ray at his lodging house in Dundas Street West.

On May 5 Ray flew on a BOAC flight from Toronto to London and on May 7 flew from London to Lisbon on a British European Airways flight.

Despite the apparent laxity of passport procedures, Ray had made meticulous preparations. He was out of the country when

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the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, at the request of the F B I, began the enormous task of examining between 200,000 and 400,000 passport applications and comparing them with photographs of the man they were looking for.

One of the 12 men assigned to the job finally discovered that the photograph on his passport application resembled pictures of the man sought.

Police quickly traced the origin of the application, established that Ray had flown to London. A bulletin was sent to Scotland Yard and other forces and immigration officials in various parts of Europe were told.

## **SECOND PASSPORT**

### **Lisbon Embassy**

On May 16, Ray obtained another passport from the Canadian Embassy in Lisbon, saying that his original one had been spoiled. He was carrying both passports when he was arrested in London.

Mr. Ramsey Clark, United States Attorney-General, said this afternoon that there was still no evidence that there was a conspiracy to murder Dr. King.

"We have to go on facts and at this time there is no evidence of involvement by others. If there was a conspiracy, it will be discovered."

He was asked in a television interview whether the fact that Ray had plenty of funds did not suggest that some one was financing him. He replied: "Not necessarily."

It was difficult to estimate at this stage how long it would take to bring Ray back to America. "There are two priorities. Firstly, to be as sure as we can be that he is secure. Secondly, to return him to the United States as quickly as possible to stand trial."

There have been various indications that Ray spent thousands of dollars during the past year. For example, he paid \$2,000 (£833) cash for a Mustang car.

## **QUICK ARRAIGNMENT**

### **Security precautions**

For the past year he has been in at least five countries—America, Mexico, Canada, Portugal and now Britain. These trips would have involved much more money than he is likely to have had from normal sources.

Preparations were being made in Memphis today for Ray's arraignment on the murder charge as soon as possible. Mr. Frank Holloman, Director of Police; Mr. Henry Loeb, the mayor, and local civil rights leaders all expressed elation that Ray had been found.

Special arrangements will be made to keep the suspect under strict security when he is taken to Memphis.

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U.S. law chief flies in for talks

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By **TOM TULLETT**  
and **EDWARD VALE**

**M**ASSIVE security precautions will be taken when James Earl Ray, wanted in connection with the murder of negro leader Dr. Martin Luther King, appears at Bow-street court today.

Ray, who was arrested at Heathrow Airport on Saturday, will be charged with having a false passport and possessing a firearm and ammunition without a certificate.

A special convoy, including motorcyclist outriders, will escort him on the journey from Cannon Row police station where he has been detained.

### **Mingle**

Up to 100 policemen will be on duty inside the court, and Special Branch detectives will mingle with the public in the galleries and in the street outside the court. Some may be armed.

Police kept a non-stop guard on Ray's cell yesterday. Cannon Row police station was sealed off and only policemen were allowed inside.

Civilian staff who went near the cell had to show their special passes.

Top-level talks following the arrest were still going on in London last night.

The talks involved Scotland Yard, US Embassy officials and the FBI.

Heading the American delegates was Mr. Fred M. Vinson Junior, US Assistant Attorney-General.

He flew to London yesterday and is expected to apply for Ray's extradition to America, where he will be charged with murdering Dr. King.

Ray, 40, escaped from jail in Missouri in 1967.

Ray's arrest at Heathrow on Saturday followed co-operation between Scotland Yard, the FBI and Canadian police.

Suspicious about Ray's identity were aroused after he called at the Canadian Embassy in Lisbon, Portugal, to correct the spelling of the name that appeared on his passport.

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# SPECIAL GUARD ON LUTHER KING MAN U.S. law chief sees him

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By ROBERT TRAINI and JOHN JACKSON

A MAN alleged to be 40-year-old James Earl Ray, wanted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for questioning about the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, was interviewed in London yesterday by Mr. Fred M. Vinson, U.S. Assistant Attorney-General.

Mr. Vinson is trying to speed up the extradition of the man, who was arrested at Heathrow Airport on Saturday in the name of Ramon George Sneyd.

Today the man will appear at Bow Street magistrates' court on two charges. He is accused of having a forged Canadian passport and having a firearm and ammunition without a certificate.

Scotland Yard will take special precautions when he goes on the one-mile journey from Cannon Row police station to the court.

Yesterday he was under special guard in a 10ft. by 8ft. cell at Cannon Row, which was part of the old Scotland Yard headquarters.



MR. FRED VINSON  
He asked questions

Roads leading to the police station from Whitehall and the Embankment were sealed off, with police guarding the main gates.

Because of the security risk, the man was not transferred to Brixton Prison for the night, as prisoners awaiting court appearances usually are.

When Mr. Vinson arrived at Heathrow Airport yesterday he was met by Scotland Yard officers.

#### 'DELIGHTED'

Mr. Vinson said at the airport: "I am here to expedite the extradition of Mr. Ray.

"People in the United States are delighted he has been apprehended. We have been looking for him for a long time."

Mr. Vinson was driven to Scotland Yard, where he spent more than two hours with Detective Chief Superintendent Thomas Butler, head of the Flying Squad, and Detective Chief Inspector Kenneth Thompson.

Then he went to Cannon Row. The man charged as Sneyd was brought out of his cell, and Mr. Vinson talked to him in a small interview room.

After the interview Mr. Vinson said: "I want to pay tribute to the work of Scotland Yard in this matter."

"I have every praise for the co-operation and understanding which has existed between the Yard, the FBI and the Canadian Mounties. It has been splendid."

Mr. Vinson was asked if he would be taking the man back to America with him. He replied: "That is very doubtful."

#### MESSAGES

In fact, it may be a fortnight or more before extradition proceedings start.

All day yesterday code messages flashed between FBI headquarters in Washington, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Scotland Yard, and the police forces of several European countries.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, head of the FBI, has asked for top priority to be given to inquiries about the arrested man's movements since Dr. King, Negro civil rights leader, was shot dead in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 4.

Mr. Hoover is certain that the man has travelled through a number of European countries since he left America.

Scotland Yard believe he may have been in Britain between the killing of Dr. King and his arrest on Saturday, when he arrived at Heathrow on a BEA flight from Lisbon.

#### SWITCHED

Last night detailed inquiries were going on to find out whether he had stayed in this country.

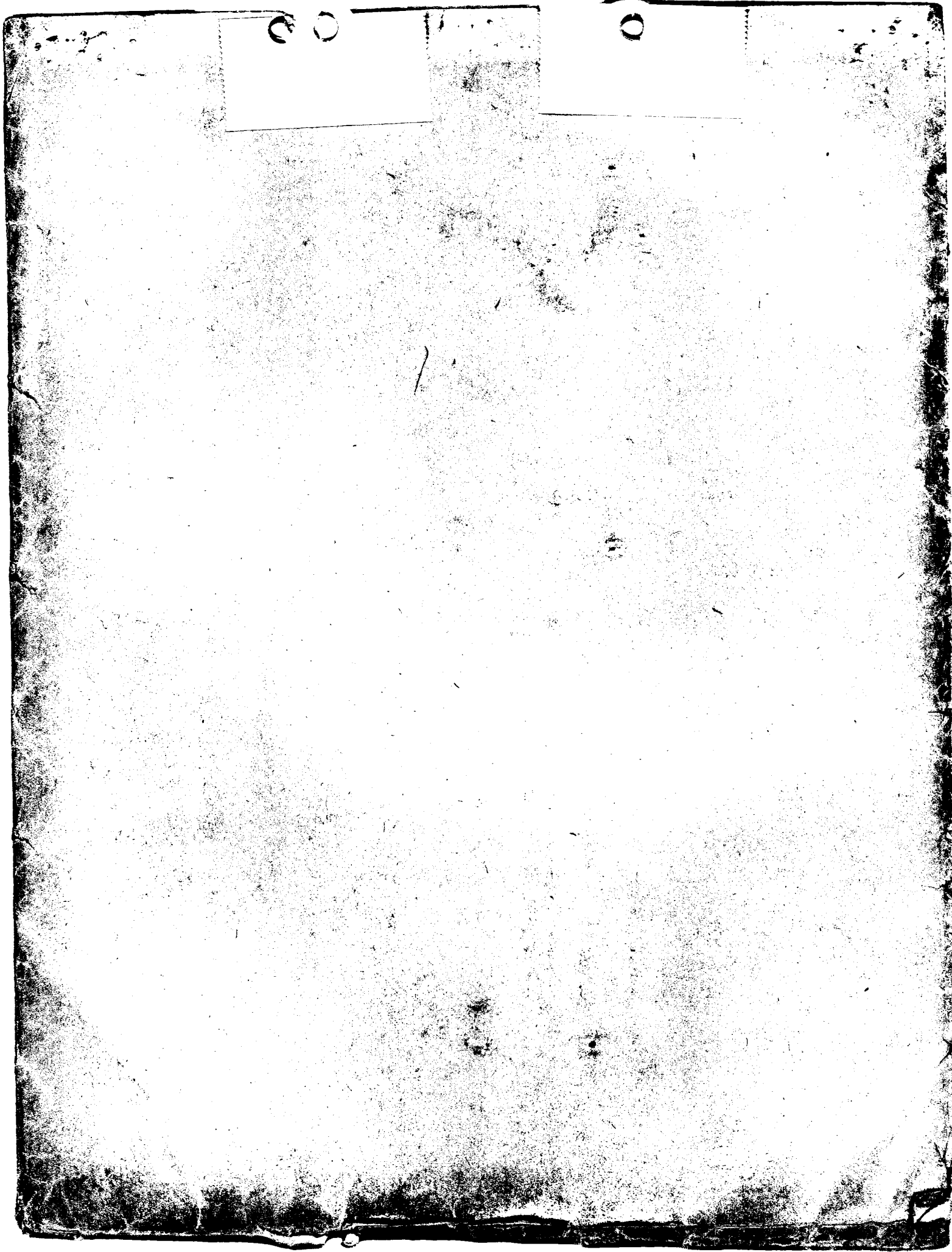
The hunt switched to Europe after widespread inquiries by the Canadian Mounties—including a check on almost 400,000 Canadian passport applications.

The Mounties' investigations showed that Ray took up quarters in a Toronto rooming-house four days after Dr. King was shot.

Since then a man known as Ramon George Sneyd—the actual name of a Toronto policeman — is known to have stayed in Lisbon.

The Canadian Embassy in Lisbon said last night they issued a passport in the name of Ramon George Sneyd.

Portuguese security police claimed they had evidence that Ramon George Sneyd left Lisbon on a London-bound airliner on May 17.



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*Scott*  
*W. J. Bishop*

Re St. Louis airtel to Bureau, dated 4/30/68, and Jackson teletype to Bureau, dated 4/24/68.

Re ROBERT BOSHERS, (Phonetic BOSSIER).

On 5/13/68 Mrs. MERCENE GAUT, Clerk, Office Services, State Prison of Southern Michigan, advised SA CHARLES G. FEHR that an extensive search of her files failed to indicate any record identifiable with ROBERT BOSHERS or BOSSIER as ever being incarcerated in the State Prison System. She was also unable to find any indication that BOSHERS was wanted by the Michigan Corrections Commission.

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The information set out hereafter concerns cost data of captioned matter as furnished by all Bureau offices for the period 4/4/68 through 6/30/68, which are cumulative totals:

Table with 4 columns: Item, Regular Hours, Overtime Hours, Cumulative Total. Rows include Special Agents, Clerks, Mileage, and Unusual costs.

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3. Unusual or out of ordinary costs:

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Xeroxing	\$326.94
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Mailing wanted flyers in U. S.	287.00
Miscellaneous supplies	52.27
Confidential item	<u>19.50</u>
Total Miscellaneous	\$699.96

Total unusual or out of ordinary costs: \$14,122.15

4. Peak number of Special Agents on this case: 3,075.

The above expenses do not include any expenses incurred by the Legal Attaches or any expenses incurred not directly connected with any of the field offices since such expenses are not known to the Memphis Division.

In view of subject RAY's apprehension on 6/8/68, the above figures appear to be the total figures that will be available concerning cost data from all of the Bureau's field offices. In light of this UACB, the Memphis Division will discontinue furnishing the monthly cost data figures in this matter and the Bureau is requested to authorize advising the Bureau's field offices this has been discontinued.

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Mrs. Lynn, 4736 - 622	Per Your Request
Miss Toby, 4730 - 2436	Per Call
Mrs. Tunney, 4728 - 658	For Your Information
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Corres. refers to the many jobs she has had and that she saw a man in one office which looked like James Earl Ray and she feels if she had advised someone earlier, she may have saved the life of King. She apparently is mentally disturbed to some degree since she thinks in many instances she was drugged in a number of the jobs she held in insurance agencies. She thinks perhaps these companies are involved in some sort of racket, maybe a homosexual racket. Miss is being used in view of the fact that she was associated with Kelly Girls and carried a purse which she kept her sank in.

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2004 Parkwood, Apt. 3  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Re: James Earl Ray/Mobile, Ala.

Gentlemen:

Newspaper pictures of James Earl Ray resemble very strongly a man I saw in the office of an insurance agency in Mobile, Alabama about four years ago. Therefore I offer you the following as a possible clue to his sources of income and his motivation for killing Dr. King.

In 1959 I had gone back to Mobile, where I had done about half of my growing up, from Houston Texas. I wanted to satisfy my curiosity about changes which might have taken place in Mobile since I had known it, and planned to work there through Kelly Girls Temporary Office Service, as I had been earning my living in Houston. Kelly Girl was not very active in Mobile, however, and I found my work there through various sources.

Being intensely interested in what is going on all around the world and why, and how different people feel about it, I responded to an article in the newspaper inviting people to join a group gathering to discuss world affairs. I attended several meetings.

There was not much actual discussion, the talk being done chiefly by three or four, mainly an extremely cynical and verbally aggressive young woman from some central European country, Poland I believe she said. Heading the group was a man, an importer, Oppenheimer by name I believe, for whom the young woman worked.

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