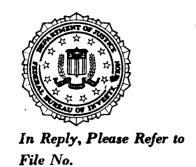
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The files of the South Central Bell Telephone Company, New Orleans, Louisiana, contain the following information relative to telephone number 242-1618:

Listed to: SAMUEL S. LORIO in September, 1967.

Address: 4839 Babylon Street

This is a published telephone number.

The above information is not to be made public without the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to Mr. J. T. PFANNKUCHE, District Accounting Manager (toll), or his authorized representative.

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CANALE stated that he would appreciate opportunity to have pre-trial conference with SA JAMES H. MORTIMER, Document Examiner in FBI Laboratory. CAMALE stated that after series of interviews and re-evaluation of material on hand, conference with MORTIMER could very well limit the amount of material that might be essential in presenting this case for trial.

CANALE indicated that if possible, be would like SA JAMES H. MORTIMER to be at his office the morning of October 30, 1968. CANALE indicated that he felt reasonably certain that the pre-trial conference would not take more than possibly a day and a half.

Bureau requested to advise availability of SA JAMES H. MORTIMER so that CAWALS can be informed.

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This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The attached relates to representatives of Mr. Phil M. Canale, Jr., State Attorney General, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, who are interviewing witnesses in foreign countries. The representatives have been in Toronto and Montreal, Canada and are presently in London.

This matter has been coordinated with Mr. Graham Day, Foreign Liaison, Division 5.

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Hanes Resumes Verbal Onslaught

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The attorney for James Earl Ray, charged with murdering Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., renewed his verbal onslaught against a court order to limit pretrial publicity in the case.

Arthur J. Hanes conceded that Criminal Court Judge W. Preston Battle, who has held him in contempt, has the right to forbid him to discuss the merits of the case against Ray. But he can't get after me, according to the Reardon report, for commenting on other trans." according to

Mr. Hanes, embraces the conditions of Ray's imprisonment in the Shelby County Jail, the release of only one photo of Ray, showing him shackled and manacled, and the unsuccessful effort of a Ku Klux Klan attorney from Georgia to become associated in Ray's defense.

Judge Battle's order he said, has not prevented an FBI spokesman from giving interviews pointing to Ray as Dr.

Tuesday Mr. Hanes cited a story in the Wichita (Kan.) Beacon quoting George Bonebrake, an FBI fingerprint expert, as saying fingerprints taken of Ray in London matched "latent fingerprints" then by detectives in Memphis shortly after Dr. King was sain on a motel balcony here last April.

dispatch from Wichita said that, besides making the spech at a police seminar there on fingerprint identification, Mr. Bonebrake said in an interview afterward, "There is doubt in my mind that Ray a least handled the murder pon."

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Conspiracy Seen In King's Death

Author William Bradford Huie, the man who is buying James Earl Ray's life story, said last night on NBC's Tonight Show that he in convinced a conspiracy was involved in killing of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in Memphis.

Unlike the two other major political assassinations (the Kennedys), Huie said he believed the King killing was the result of "a conspiracy that had been in progress for quite some time. There was a lot of money paid for that killing."

Huie, from Hartselle, Ala., told TV host Johnny Carson that he sends written questions into Ray's jail by Ray's lawyer and that Ray writes him answers. He said he is traveling widely to verify information given him by Ray and that it will all be published after a jury is locked up in the case.

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Hanes Calls Court Group Hypocrites

Says Prosecution Allowed Comment In Ray Case

Arthur J. Hanes, attorney for James Earl Ray, socked it to a court-appointed committee in the Dr. Martin Luther King murder case today, calling them a "committee of Harper Valley P-TA hypocrites."

The reference is to the hit record, "Harper Valley P-TA," which recounts the tale of a mini-skirted widowed wife told by the P-TA that "as a mother, you're not fit." She wore her mini-skirt into the next meeting and "socked it to the Harper Valley P-TA," recounting the vices of the members and branding them as "Harper Valley hypocrites."

Hanes called the committee 'hypocrites' because he contends that representatives of those prosecuting Ray are being allowed to make statements about the case while he has been criticized for making comments.

SHOW CAUSE

The seven-lawyer committee, headed by Lucius Burch, recommended to Judge Presten Battle that Hanes be required to show cause why he should not be held in contempt of Battle's order restricting pre-trial publicity. Battle held Hanes, a private detective in his employ and two newspaper reporters, in contempt but has not passed sentence.

"Sheriff (William) Morris said in a press conference that the man's (Ray's) cell is fine. I said I disagreed. Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark stated on television that Ray committed this crime with no conspiracy involved," Hanes said.

NO PLEA

"I suppose if I had opened my mouth and agreed with Ramsey Clark and Sheriff Morris, nothing would have been said about it. Nothing would have been heard from Mr. Burch's committee of Harper Valley P-TA hypocrites."

Hanes said he had not filed a plea to set aside Battle's decision in the contempt

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hearing. "I'm going to wait and see if he sentences me. I may at that time appeal. Still, on the other hand, whatever he decided to mete out to me, I could take it as long as that bunch (the committee) could live with their consciences."

Other members of the legal committee are J. Alan Hanover, Cooper Turner Jr., James D. Causey, Leo Bearman Jr., Lee A. Hardison,

and Don Owens.

EXAMINATION

The Birmingham attorney flew to Memphis yesterday to continue his examination of the evidence the state is expected to introduce when Ray goes on trial Nov. 12 on a murder charge in the April 4 slaving of Dr. King.

Hanes complained that Battle's court order limiting publicity favors the prosecution and only limits the defense. He cited an interview with George Bonebrake, an FBI fingerprint expert, in Wichita, Kan., which was reported in the Wichita Beacon.

"Here is a man who is a key witness for the FBI telling the whole world that he is an expert for the bureau, that he testified in London and is going to testify in Memphis against James Earl Ray," Hanes said.

FINGERPRINTS

Bonebrake was quoted in the story as saying the fingerprints found in Memphis matched those "taken of the man arrested in London" and those taken of James Earl Ray while he was at the Missouri Penitentiary.

"Therefore, my testimony tended to implicate him in the murder of Dr. King as well as identify him as the fugitive wanted for escaping from the Missouri Prison,' Bonebrake was quoted as saying. The FBI expert was identified as the man who "led the search through thousands of fingerprints on file at the Washington, D.C. FBI headquarters for the identification of the killer" and the "government's star witness in the extradition proceedings" against Ray.

Bonebrake was quoted as saying that "FBI agents obtained 'good' latent prints from a rifle believed used to kill Dr. King, from a telescopic sight on the rifle and from a pair of binoculars found at the scene."

"This was a real break for us," Bonebrake was quoted. "We had several names to go on but we didn't know which one was correct. Ray had purchased a car under the name of Galt, bought the

rifle under shother name and registered in Memphis using the name John Willard."

The story quoted Bonebrake as saying he expected to go to Memphis to testify on the fingerprint identification during Ray's coming trial. "There's no doubt in my mind that he (Ray) at least handled the murder weapon," he was quoted.

NO COMMENT

Bonebrake was in Wichita speaking to an area seminar on fingerprint identification for law enforcement agencies. A FBI spokesman said in Washington today that Bonebrake was out on assignment and was not available for comment. "We are not making any comment on that case whatsoever unless it was public knowledge," the spokesman said.

"Everybody seems to be leaning toward the prosecution. All the court officials seem to be," Hanes said.

"Three thous and F31 agents working on the case, the resources of the state of Tennessee, the press and this community are working to ensure that the state of Tennessee gets a fair trial."

"I am the only one standing between my client and the great forces of government. I will not be intimidated.

"It is pretty easy to almonish an unpopular lawyer who has an unpopular client and an unpopular case, to look upon him with disfavor.

"I never heard of a judge criticizing a sheriff or a prosecutor they live with and do business with every day."

Hanes said he did not believe his latest statements were in violation of Battle's anti-publicity order.

"I have not said anything, nor will I say anything, going to the merits of the case," he said. "But I will

say this, that when a lawyer is overcome by timidity in criticizing the courts we have lost a lot of individual freedom in this country.

"We should guard against any person or any court being immune to criticism. The time is past when a person or a committee can mount a pedestal, adjust his halo and say don't criticize my actions.

"In my opinion the flames of justice have flickered mighty low in the headwinds of the great forces which have been amassed against

my client."

Hanes said he had complained to Battle about a picture released by Morris showing the sheriff leading a handcuffed Ray into jail. "It depicted him (Ray) as some kind of dangerous animal dragged from his cave," Hanes said.

"I asked the judge to let me have a photographer come in and photograph him as a normal human being. This was denied. I feel if the sheriff had a right to release the photograph, we certainly had the right to release one showing him as he normally is."

Hanes said he planned to go to the attorney general's office today to listen to the police radio tape recordings from the night that Dr. King was killed and to inspect any further evidence that has come into the office. He said he will remain in Memphis until tomorrow night.

THOMPSON

Meanwhile, it was also learned today that Hanes spent several hours yesterday conferring with Memphis attorney Russell X. Thompson.

Earlier in the case, Thompson was reported to be under consideration as associate counsel in Ray's defense, but Hanes later denied it.

Thompson confirmed.

Hanes was in his office in connection with preliminary work he had done previously but declined further comment.

Hanes' visit, however, again led to speculation that Thompson would become associated with him.

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ARTICLE PREPARED BY EDMUNDSON QUOTES HANES AS COMPLAINING
COURT ORDER "PROTECTS THE PROSECUTION AND ONLY MUZZLES THE DEFENSE."
ARTICLE FURTHER STATES THAT HANES HAS DECLARED PROSECUTION
WITNESSES HAVE BEEN MAKING PUBLIC STATEMENTS CONVICTING HIS CLIENT
AND HE HAS HAD NO CHANCE TO COUNTER THEM. HANES REPORTEDLY CITED
A LECTURE BY GEORGE BONEBRAKE, AN FBI FINGERPRINT SPECIALIST, IN WITCHITA, KANSAS, SEPT. ELEVEN, AND QUOTED ON PAGE ONE OF THE
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BONEBRAKE REPORTEDLY WAS ADDRESSING A WITCHITA AREA POLICE SEMINAR ON FINGERPRINT IDENTIFICATION. ARTICLE CONTINUES BY STATING THAT FRANK GAROFOLO, ASST. CITY EDITOR OF THE WITCHITA BEACON, SAID YESTERDAY NEWSMEN WERE PERMITTED TO ATTEND THE LECTURE AND NOTHING WAS PUT OFF THE RECORD AT THE POLICE SEMINAR. A MAJOR IN THE WITCHITA POLICE DEPARTMENT OBJECTED THE NEXT DAY, MR. GAROFOLO SAID, THAT THE SPEECH HAD BEEN QUOTED TOO MUCH IN DETAIL.

JUDGE W. PRESTON BATTLE HAS ACKNOWLEDGED, ACCORDING TO THE ARTICLE, THAT HIS POWER TO LIMIT PUBLICITY APPLIED ONLY IN THE BOUNDERIES OF HIS JUDICIAL DISTRICT, SHELBY COUNTY, TENN.

HANES HAS SAID THAT THE ORDER HAS A DIFFERING EFFECT AND IS QUOTED AS FOLLOWS: "WHILE THE ACCUSED AND HIS ATTORNEYS HAVE BEEN ORDERED NOT TO GIVE INTERVIEWS, KEY WITNESSES FOR THE PROSECUTION, SUCH AS MR. BONEBRAKE, HAVE BEEN FREE TO MAKE STATEMENTS."

ATTORNEY GEN. RAMSEY CLARK STATED ON TELEVISION THAT RAY COMMITTED THIS CRIME WITH NO CONSPIRACY INVOLVED. WHEN I SAY THE CONTRARY END PAGE TWO