

11-5-68

**AIRTEL**

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**To: SAC, Memphis (44-1987)**

**From: Director, FBI (44-38861)**

**MURKIN**

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In view of state trial of subject at Memphis, Tennessee, on November 12, 1968, you should submit a daily teletype summary of court proceedings to the Bureau beginning on November 12, 1968, until the Bureau advises you to discontinue.

This teletype should be in a form that is clear, concise and should not leave any questions unresolved. This teletype should reach the Bureau no later than 10:00 p.m. each day, and it will be incumbent upon Memphis to keep the Bureau fully advised. Any developments requiring immediate notification should be handled accordingly.

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**NOTE:** In view of state trial of subject in Memphis on November 12, 1968, we are issuing instructions to Memphis concerning the submission of a daily teletype summary.

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- DeLoach \_\_\_\_\_
- Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Bishop \_\_\_\_\_
- Casper \_\_\_\_\_
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- Conrad \_\_\_\_\_
- Felt \_\_\_\_\_
- Gale \_\_\_\_\_
- Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Sullivan \_\_\_\_\_
- Tavel \_\_\_\_\_
- Trotter \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-442611) FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-157341) (P)  
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November 5, 1968

GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

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

William Bradford Huie is the author of an article on James Earl Ray, which appeared in the November 12, 1968, issue of "Look" magazine (circulated October 29, 1968).

Department being advised of information in attached.

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10:54AM 11-5-68 URGENT SDC

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861

FROM MEMPHIS 44-1987 P

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SHORTLY AFTER FOUR P.M., NOVEMBER FOUR LAST, THE COMMITTEE OF SEVEN ATTORNEYS ADVISING JUDGE W. PRESTON BATTLE ON PRETRIAL PUBLICITY IN THE RAY CASE FILED REPORT INDICATING THERE IS PROBABLE CAUSE THAT WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE AND THE PUBLISHERS OF "LOOK" MAGAZINE ARE IN CONTEMPT OF THE COURT'S ORDERS AS A RESULT OF ARTICLE WRITTEN BY HUIE WHICH APPEARED IN NOVEMBER TWELVE SIXTYEIGHT EDITION OF LOOK MAGAZINE. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED THAT HUIE AND COWLES PUBLICATIONS BE CITED AT SUCH TIME AS THEY ARE WITHIN JURISDICTION OF THE COURT.

A COPY OF THIS REPORT BEING OBTAINED FROM COURT AND WIL BE FORWARDED TO DAY TO BUREAU.

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END.

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J. HAROLD FLANNERY  
of Dept. advised  
ON 11/6/68

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TO DIRECTOR 44-20001

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Date: 11-4-68

Transmit the following in Plaintext  
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via Airtel  
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

MURKIN

ReButel to Memphis 10-29-68.

Enclosed for Bureau are two Xerox copies of material which were personally delivered by SA ROBERT FITZPATRICK to Executive Assistant ROBERT DWYER and Assistant Attorney General JAMES C. BEASLEY on 10-31-68. This material was received by Investigator JOHN L. CARLISLE, State Attorney General's Office.

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C. C. Bishop

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-198A) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN (44-198A) (P)  
RE: BUREAU (44-38861) (P)

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-198A) (P)

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The following received from Special Agent Robert Fitzpatrick,  
October 31, 1968:

Envelope containing Exhibit Item #1 of Montreal  
G.I.S., Exhibit Report 68/37 and Exhibit Items  
1 to 9 incl. of Montreal G.I.S. Exhibit Report  
68/41

*John L. Caswell*

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ENCLOSURE



Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Evidence recovered by FBI

Original invoice and copy from Aeromarine Supply Company,  
dated 3/29/68, from FBI Birmingham

ITEMS FROM 1966 FORD MUSTANG: (from FBI, Atlanta)

Floor mat from right front floor  
Floor mat from rear floor  
Floor mat from left front floor  
Floor mat from trunk  
Air filter cartridge  
Wheel jack from trunk  
Dark blue short sleeve sweat shirt  
One rubber shoe, size 7-8½  
One white fitted sheet  
One black and white shirt jacket  
One pillowcase  
One fitted sheet with yellow thread  
One black sport shirt  
One pair of size 34 walking shorts  
Rug from trunk  
Pillow from trunk  
Styrofoam container from trunk  
One pair of men's brown socks from trunk  
One hunting knife and sheath  
Spare tire mounting from trunk  
Lug wrench from trunk  
Blue-handled screwdriver from trunk  
Used windshield wiper blade from trunk  
One Personna razor blade  
Soil sample from spare wheel and tire  
Vacuum sweepings from front passenger side floor  
Vacuum sweepings from left front floor  
Vacuum sweepings from rear floor  
Vacuum sweepings from trunk

ITEMS FROM 1966 FORD MUSTANG: (from FBI, Atlanta)

A piece of Kleenex box bearing letters "At pool" on one  
side and names "Ginger Day and Anita Katzwinkel,  
1535 Serrano, Apt. 6," on other side  
One air release shutter in original package  
Sunglasses with case  
Two pieces of cardboard from trunk  
Scraps of paper from glove compartment  
Scraps of paper from under rear seat

(from FBI, Atlanta)

Soil from right fender well  
Soil from right front wheel  
Soil from right rear wheel  
Soil from right rear fender well  
Debris from lower part of left fender  
Soil from left front wheel  
Soil from left rear wheel  
Scraping from front left tire tread  
Soil from underneath body in front of differential  
Soil from differential  
Soil from front of exhaust pipe  
Soil from underneath body in front section  
Soil from left fender well  
Soil from left rear fender well  
Scrapings from left rear tire tread  
Scrapings from tread of right rear tire  
Scrapings from under glove compartment  
Scrapings from tire tread, right front tire  
Scrapings from front part of engine  
Water from windshield washer bag  
Spare tire and wheel from trunk

ITEMS FROM ROOM 6, 113, 14th ST., NE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA:

(from FBI, Atlanta)

Bed sheet  
Bed sheet  
Standard Oil map of Atlanta  
Partial book of matches bearing advertisement of "Albert Pic"  
Piece of lined paper  
Newspaper from shelf  
Piece of pink paper bearing hand printed name "Jimmy Ower."  
Keyhole saw

ITEM FROM ROOM 5, 107, 14th St., NE, ATLANTA, GEORGIA:

(from FBI, Atlanta)

Section of newspaper dated 4/7/38

(received from FBI, Atlanta)

Booklet entitled "What is the John Birch Society"  
Gulf Oil Company map of Atlanta  
"Arrow" map of greater Atlanta  
Box of Nabisco saltine crackers

(received from FBI, Atlanta)

Jar of French's mustard  
Coffee cup  
Water glass  
Small can of Carnation evaporated milk  
Jar of Maxwell House instant coffee  
Box of "C & H" sugar  
One knife (Forgemcraft)  
One National's Citation pencil  
Wire electric cup heater  
One portable Zenith television, Model #N 2205-6  
Jar of Kraft's Catalina French Dressing  
Package of Golden Grain California lima beans  
Can of "Iris" ground black pepper  
Box of five National's Citation pencils  
Gulf map of Southeastern USA  
Shell map of Texas and Oklahoma  
Map of Mexico  
Map of Los Angeles published by Mitock & Sons  
Map of Los Angeles (Richfield)  
Shell map of Louisiana  
Map of California  
Enco map of Arizona and New Mexico  
Standard Oil map of Birmingham and vicinity  
Tie (brown with brown, blue and silver diagonal stripes)  
Pair of grey trousers  
Booklet entitled "Your Opportunities in Locksmithing"

(received from FBI, Atlanta)

Four coat hangers  
Two cardboard inserts for coat hangers  
Handkerchief  
Pair of socks

ITEMS FROM ROOM 2, 113 14TH STREET, NORTHEAST, ATLANTA, GEORGIA:  
(received from FBI, Atlanta)

Large key blank  
Small key blank  
Piece of black thread  
Piece of brown thread with needle  
Metal strip,  $\frac{1}{2}$ " by  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "  
Business card for "HANEY'S SHEET METAL"

White shirt received from FBI, Newark

Material from ashtray received from FBI, New Orleans

Six sets of type used in Thermo Seal machines,  
further described as follows: (from FBI, Albany)

<u>Type size</u>	<u>Characters</u>
Regular 18-point type	Letters
Regular 18-point type	Numbers
Narrow 18-point type	Letters
Regular 15-point type	Numbers
Narrow 15-point type	Letters
Narrow 15-point type	Numbers

Strip of 1/4" red Thermo Seal marking tape received from  
FBI, Albany

Can of Schlitz beer, 12-ounce size from Southaven  
Minnow Shop, received from FBI, Jackson

Brown paper bag from Southaven Minnow Shop, received from  
FBI, Jackson

Also Submitted: (received from FBI, Atlanta).

Four lifts of latent impressions found on automobile

Rearview mirror from 1966 Ford Mustang

1967 Alabama license plate 1A-88354

1968 Alabama license plate 1-38993

Three cigarette butts from top of wardrobe, Room 6

One cigarette butt from under wardrobe, Room 6

Ten latent lifts from Room 6

Latent lifts A1 through A3 from Room 5

*Received from SA Robt. Stypinski 10-31-68*

*J. R. O.  
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ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, MEMPHIS

- 25 lifts from room #34 of Rebel Motor Hotel
- ✓ Elimination fingerprints of N. E. Zachary and Jewel Greer Roy
- ✓ Elimination fingerprints of 21 individuals (1 latent from "flop house" eliminated 1 latent from Rebel Motel registration card eliminated)

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, BIRMINGHAM

- ✓ Remington rifle box
- ✓ Box of cartridges
- ✓ Safe deposit box #5517 from Birmingham Trust National Bank
- ✓ Fingerprints of six bank employees
- ✓ Palm prints and finger-tip impressions of five Birmingham Trust National Bank employees
- ✓ Bank draft for \$337.24, payable to Superior Bulk Film Company
- ✓ Major case prints of two Aeromarine Supply Co. clerks

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, ATLANTA

Five transparent lifts from 66 Mustang  
Luncheon check from "Mammy's Shanty Restaurant"

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, NEW ORLEANS

Nine items recovered from room at 623 Royal Street in New Orleans

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, MIAMI

✓ Piece of brown wrapping paper with label bearing #777, etc.  
Piece of brown wrapping paper with label bearing #6829  
Cardboard box

*Received from SA Robt. Fitzgerald 10-31-68*  
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ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, BUFFALO

Photo of Liberty National Bank Dealer  
Plan form -  
-Known handwriting of DR. ALVIN FRENCH

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, LOS ANGELES

Known handwriting of KATZWINKEL  
Known handwriting of FLIKEID  
Chevron map of Los Angeles  
Chevron map of California

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, JACKSONVILLE

Known handwriting of DR. ALVIN FRENCH  
(postcard)

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, CHICAGO

Known handwriting of GINGER NANCE  
Known handwriting of THOMAS FLIKEID and  
SUSAN FLIKEID  
Known handwriting of JERRY WM. RAY

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, BIRMINGHAM

BORSARI checks

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, ATLANTA

Known handwriting of JOHN WILLARD

ITEMS RECEIVED FROM FBI, MOBILE

Known handwriting of 11 persons (obtained  
from Ala. State Dept. of Safety,  
Montgomery, Alabama)

MISCELLANEOUS LAUNDRY TAPES RECEIVED FROM NUMEROUS FBI OFFICES

*Received from S.A. Robt. Fitzpatrick 10-31-69*

ITEMS BEING PERSONALLY DELIVERED TO MR. CANALE BY LABORATORY  
EXAMINER MORTIMER

(From FBI, Memphis)

Registration card of New Rebel  
Motel in name "Eric S. Galt"  
Photocopy of four-page handwritten  
letter dated at Montreal, Que.,  
signed "Code letter 'G'"  
Bar of Cameo toilet soap

(From FBI, Miami)

Envelope and accompanying letter  
"Get Tommy Nash"

(From FBI, Los Angeles)

Typewritten letter dated 1/21/68 with  
envelope from "Eric S. Galt"  
Typewritten letter from Dykema to Galt  
re apartment  
Pair of women's black shoes  
Change of Address order dated 4/25/68  
signed "Eric S. Galt"  
Nine Bank of America money orders  
Typewritten letter "Inclosed is MO."  
signed Eric S. Galt"  
Post Office Department Application  
for Delivery of Mail Through Agent,  
signed "Eric S. Galt"  
Order blank of Futura Books, signed  
"Eric S. Galt"  
Interview Card  
Dance studio enrollment agreement  
Change of Address form  
Installment note (bar tending course)  
Application for School Admittance  
Airmail envelope to Tiffany Enterprises  
and accompanying typewritten letter  
enclosing money order for handcuffs  
Envelope postmarked Los Angeles,  
Apr. '68, mailing address sticker  
"Mr. Eric S. Galt, 1535 N. Serrano,  
L. A. 90627"

(From FBI, Chicago)

Typewritten letter dated 10/5/67 re  
camera from "Eric S. Galt"  
Typewritten letter dated 10/22/67 re  
camera from "Eric S. Galt"  
Typewritten letter dated 11/20/67 re  
camera from "Eric S. Galt"  
Order blank from Sup. Bulk Film Co.  
in amount of \$337.24 (hand printed)  
Also Submitted: 6 miscellaneous items  
of Sup. Bulk Co.

(From FBI, Newark)

Enrollment form of Locksmithing Inst.,  
Little Falls, N. J., in name "Eric S.  
Galt"  
Confidential Information form of  
Locksmithing Inst., signed "Eric S. Galt"  
Envelope postmarked Montreal, Canada,  
(hand printed) to Locksmithing Inst.  
from "Eric S. Galt"  
Four payment coupons, order blank,  
two envelopes re Locksmithing,  
Envelopes containing lessons #8 and #9  
Photocopy of Canadian Money Order  
signed "Eric S. Galt"

(From FBI, New Orleans)

Provincial Motel registration card  
dated 12/17/67, signed "Eric S. Galt"  
Two sheets of motel stationery bearing  
indented writing impressions

(From FBI, Atlanta)

Newspaper clipping bearing handwriting  
"Galt 1052 N side Dr. 8769770"  
Sealed envelope to Dr. Tarplee with  
hand printing of Eric S. Galt  
Eastern Airlines ticket envelope,  
Fl.399/Y, Atlanta to Memphis

(From FBI, Headquarters)

Pink envelope addressed "The Federal  
Bureau..".



(From FBI, Jacksonville)

Photocopy of Certificate of Title in  
the name "Michael St. Pierre"

(From FBI, New York)

Modern Photo Bookstore coupon bearing  
hand printing of "Eric S. Galt" and  
handwritten letter dated 9/26/67

(From FBI, Washington Field)

Typewritten letter re emigrating to  
Rhodesia signed "Eric S. Galt"  
Photocopy of Statutory Declaration of  
Guarantor form  
Application for Canadian Passport (photo-  
graph)  
Photograph of RAY and signature  
"Ramon George Sneyd"

(From FBI, Buffalo)

Photocopy of hand printed note dated  
4/20/68, signed "Ramon George Sneyd"  
Also Submitted: Photograph of partial  
palm print and passport photograph

(From FBI, Mobile)

Photocopies of Alabama  
1968 Motor Vehicle forms

(From FBI, Birmingham)

Known handwriting of ERIC S. GALT  
(safe deposit records, ledger card  
and letter)

(From FBI, Kansas City)

Known handwriting of JAMES EARL RAY (Missouri  
State Pen form)  
Known handwriting and hand printing  
of JAMES EARL RAY (documents from  
Missouri State Pen)  
Known handwriting and hand printing of  
JAMES EARL RAY (21 sheets of paper  
and one form)  
Also Submitted: Inmate Request form  
for JACK M. RAY

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

DATE: 10/29/68

FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: ROBERT H. STRADER

ReBulet to Memphis, 10/25/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are 2 copies of New Orleans airtel to the Bureau dated 5/10/68, reflecting an interview with RAYMOND HENRY STARNs, a Louisiana businessman.

The Bureau will note that STARNs has stated a belief that both STRADER and STRADER's wife are irrational and that STRADER has a "mental problem."

The Memphis Office has reviewed the investigation regarding STRADER and does not believe that this phase of this investigation warrants further action.

*Handwritten initials*

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TO: SAC  
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S - BUREAU (ENCL 3)

THIS INVESTIGATION WILL BE IN PROGRESS.  
REGARDING STUBBS AND DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT THIS PHASE OF  
THE MEMPHIS OFFICE HAS RECEIVED THE INVESTIGATION

AND THAT STUBBS HAS A "MENTAL ILLNESS".  
BELIEVE THAT BOTH STUBBS AND STUBBS'S WIFE ARE ILLUSIONARY  
THE BUREAU WILL NOTE THAT STUBBS HAS STATED A

WITH RAYMOND HENRY STUBBS, A COLLIERVILLE BUSINESSMAN.  
WILL TO THE BUREAU DATED 2/10/66, REFLECTING AN INTERVIEW  
ENCLOSED FOR THE BUREAU ARE 2 COPIES OF NEW ORLEANS

REPORT TO MEMPHIS, 10/22/66.

RE: ROBERT H. STUBBS

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SAC, MEMPHIS (44-198A) (P)

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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5/10/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)  
FROM: SAC, NEW ORLEANS (157-10673) (P)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Springfield airtel to Bureau, 5/1/68.

INVESTIGATION CONCERNING ROBERT HOOD STRADER WHO ALLEGED KING  
ASSASSINATION PLOT IN BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA, AREA SUMMER OF 1967.

Investigation was conducted at Baton Rouge and New Orleans, La., during the period of 5/7 - 9/68, to locate RAYMOND HENRY STARNES. STARNES was located and interviewed on 5/9/68, in New Orleans, La., at which time he furnished the following information:

STARNES is a native of Denham Springs, La., and is currently associated in a business partnership with EARNEST C. DONNELL, Owner of the Earnest C. Donnell Construction Co., at Denham Springs, La. Denham Springs is located nine miles distant from Baton Rouge, La.

STARNES is well acquainted in Denham Springs and knows nearly all of the businessmen in that community including those who are reportedly members of the Ku Klux Klan and who are considered to be strong segregationists.

STARNES was in Denham Springs in the Summer of 1967, at which time there was considerable racial strife taking place, including marches by Negro groups and opposition

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being presented to these marches by those individuals with strong segregation beliefs. STARNES stated that he himself is a liberal in his view towards Negroes and that he did not participate in any of the activities that took place in Denham Springs in the Summer of 1967. He stated, however, that he did frequently converse with individuals whom he considered to be members of the Ku Klux Klan, these persons having been individuals that he grew up with in Denham Springs.

STARNES stated that at no time during this period did any information come to his attention that there were businessmen in Denham Springs, La., or in Baton Rouge, La., who were taking up a collection to obtain money to have MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., assassinated. STARNES does not recall of having heard the name of KING even mentioned during the Summer of 1967, nor does he recall any information which would indicate there was a plot to kill any particular Negro or any individual of any race for that matter.

STARNES is against violence and if any information such as a plot to kill anyone had come to his attention, he would promptly notify an appropriate law enforcement agency.

During the Fall of 1967, STARNES recalls that an individual subsequently known to him as ROBERT STRADER appeared at the Earnest C. Donnell Construction Company in Denham Springs making claims to EARNEST DONNELL that he could obtain considerable financing from a SHAPIRO family in Miami, Fla. DONNELL became interested in STRADER's proposition and ordered STARNES to accompany STRADER to Miami, Fla., which he did and at which time he and STRADER met with a Mr. and Mrs. SHAPIRO. It developed, however, that STRADER did not previously know the SHAPIRO family and further that STRADER actually had no contacts or was not in a position to obtain financing for the Donnell Construction Company.

It was during the trip to Miami, Fla., that STARNES realized that STRADER had an apparent mental problem.

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STARNS recalled that while staying in motels in Fla., STRADER at times became most irrational and envisioned that he was being followed by Federal Agents.

After the Florida trip, STRADER continued to hang around the Donnell Company in Denham Springs, La., at which time STRADER's wife was also present. In STARNS' opinion, STRADER's wife is also an irrational person.

On one occasion, STRADER who was doing some work for the Donnell Company, took STARNS' personally owned vehicle with the permission of STARNS on a business trip. STRADER's wife accompanied STRADER on this trip and they did not return as scheduled. The vehicle was subsequently located in Mississippi in an abandoned position. Also at this same time, STARNS and EARNEST DONNELL discovered that STRADER had stolen some property from the company, such as a portable electric typewriter, a brief case full of valuable engineering fittings, a telephone credit card and other miscellaneous items. Also taken from the STARNS vehicle was a .38 Police Special Revolver which was a sentimental keepsake which had been given to STARNS by his father.

The theft of these items was reported to law enforcement agencies but DONNELL subsequently decided not to press charges. The revolver has never been recovered by STARNS and he does not presently know its whereabouts.

STARNS heard from some unrecalled source several months ago that STRADER either was or is presently confined to a mental institution. He has not seen STRADER since late Fall of 1967.

STRADER was a braggart by nature, frequently announced his animosity towards Negroes but was never known to STARNS to have specifically mentioned MARTIN LUTHER KING or any other particular Negro. STRADER frequently bragged that he had contacts with the underworld but never specifically mentioned anyone by name.

STARNS concluded that he is at a loss to explain why it is alleged that he possessed information concerning

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a plot to raise money to kill MARTIN KING. He stated that he wanted to cooperate fully with the FBI, which agency he admires considerably and that if any further recollection concerning the Summer of 1967 in Denham Springs came to him, he would promptly advise the New Orleans Office.

STARNES described STRADER as a white male, 6'2" tall, 36 years of age and possessing blond wavy hair. During the Summer of 1967, STARNES personally owned a 1967 Oldsmobile, white over black, bearing Texas license KLX or KLW 491.

New Orleans indices contained no identifiable information in the name of RAYMOND HENRY STARNES or ROBERT HOOD STRADER.

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Date: 10-24-68

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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Submitted herewith for the information and assistance of the Bureau are three items of correspondence. The first is a letter forwarded to JAMES E. RAY from the Chief Clerk of the Bow Street Magistrate's Court at London. The second letter was prepared by JAMES EARL RAY and forwarded to Honorable W. PRESTON BATTLE, Criminal Courts Building, Memphis, Tennessee. The third is from subject RAY to his attorney, ARTHUR HANES,

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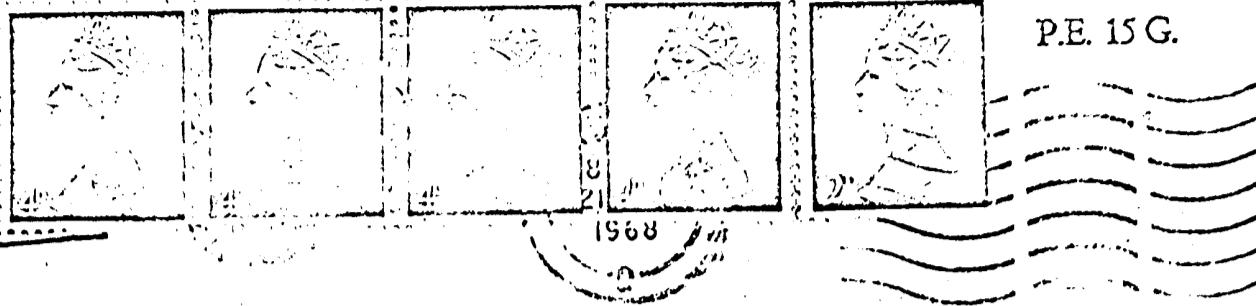
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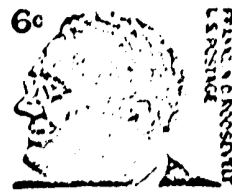
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To, Hon. W. Preston Battle  
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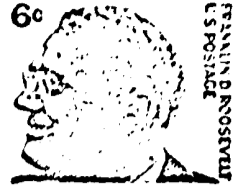
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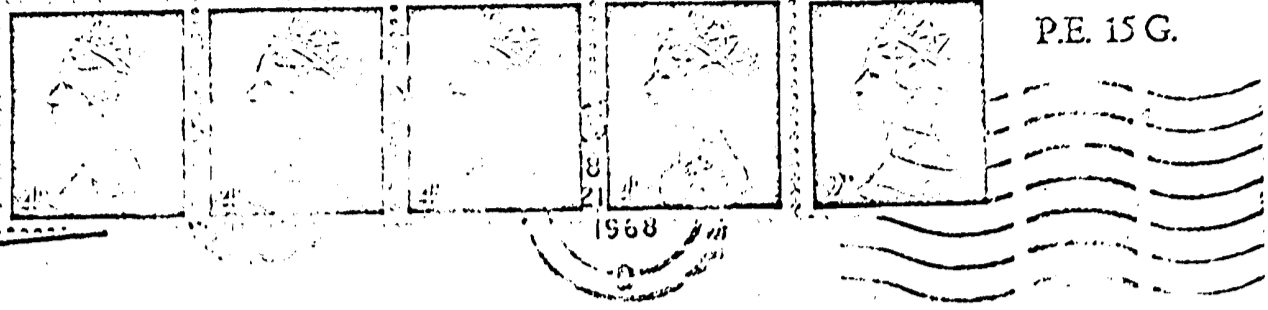
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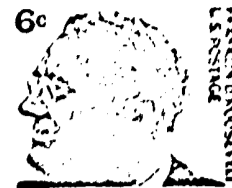
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Submitted herewith for the Bureau's information is a letter prepared by subject JAMES EARL RAY to his brother JERRY. It is noted discussion is had in this letter about the number of seats that may be available at the forthcoming trial. The second letter has apparently been prepared by JERRY RAY and is addressed to JAMES EARL RAY. It is noted in this letter that JERRY discusses explaining a number of items to HUEY. It is felt this is a reference to the writer who is preparing a book about instant matter. JERRY also discusses an individual by the name PERCY QUINN in the letter, who reportedly resides at P. O. Box 63, Laurel, Mississippi. Information available to the Memphis Office discloses that a PERCY QUINN in Laurel, Mississippi, is well known as an attorney who has represented various Klansmen in the past. JERRY also indicates he had called the WALLACE Headquarters in an effort apparently to secure an attorney of the type they are both seeking.

This is submitted for the Bureau's information. As additional data becomes available, the Memphis Office will forward same.

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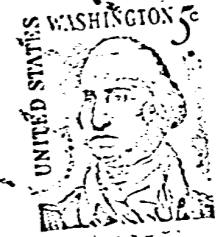
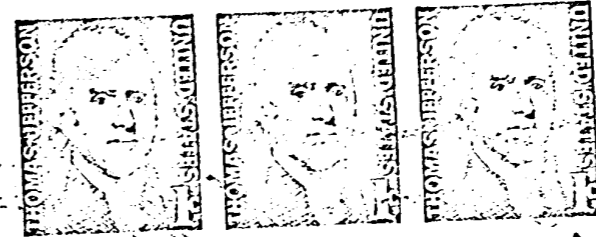
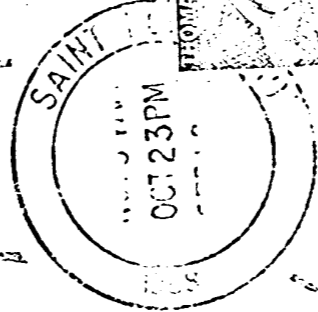
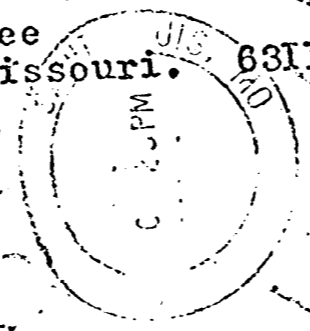
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ADMINISTRATIVE

Jerry Ray  
1902 Cherokee  
St; Louis, Missouri. 63118.



Mr. James E. Ray  
Shelby County Jail  
Memphis, Tenn.

44-38861-5328

ENCLOSURE

Oct 23, 68.

Dear Jimmy;

Just a short note to let you know everythg  
ing is okay, and that i got back okay.

I just got through typing Huey a two page letter, I  
explained to him everything you asked me to.  
Expecially about you not wanting anymore deals  
through the Power of Attorney.

I also asked him to write to you direct, I also  
explained to him about the Money sisiution.

I tried to call him from Memphis, but couldnt  
get through because he has a un listed number.

I talked to Percy Quinn over the phone before i  
leftb Memphis, i really had a hard time locating  
him as he dont have a office plus he dont have  
a phone in his home, anyway i finally located him  
through a friend. He said he would be glad to come  
down and see you plus he will bring along the Atto-  
rney from Memphis that helped him in the case that  
you and i were talking about, the only thing is you  
have to send him expense money. here is where to  
write him in case you want to.

Percy Quinn

P. O. Box 63 Laurel, Miss.

I also called the wallace headquarters up, They asked Me to call them back Friday morning and they throught they could then give me the name of a type of Attorney that we are seeking. So ill call down there tomorrow and find out. Ill call down there day after tomorrow rather as i was thinking today is thursday.

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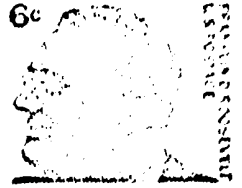
When you send that Money, Dont send any for me, as i dont need any, so what ever you send ill mail to Stoner Ill close for now but will write Friday and let you know what i find out.

As Ever

Brother

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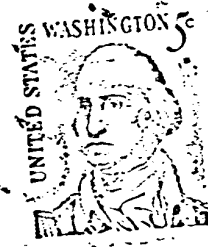
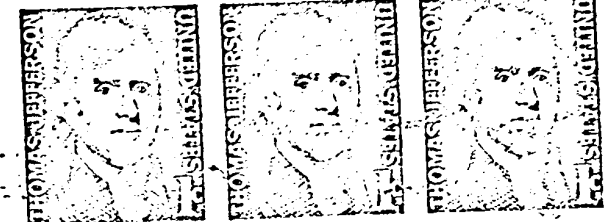
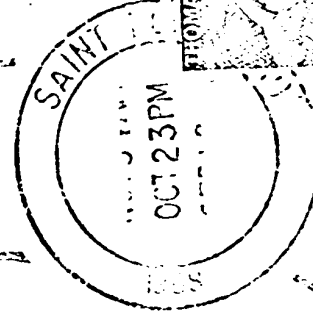
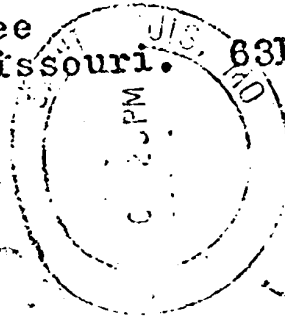


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