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TO : Mr. DeLoach *pd*

DATE: November 13, 1968

FROM : A. Rosen *R*

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: MURKIN

SYNOPSIS:

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

William Bradford Huie, author, has written a second article, based upon notes of James Earl Ray for "Look" magazine. The article appears in the November 26, 1968, issue; this issue circulated November 12, 1968. The article discusses various activities which we have previously known and checked out. It also alleges: The plot to kill King existed as early as August, 1967, (no specifics are given); declaration of a television set at customs station at United States and Canadian Border; contact with "Raoul" in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Selma, Alabama; Ray's activity across the Texas Border into Mexico regarding exchange of tires (possible contraband in tires); and Ray staying at several motels in his travels. We are presently conducting investigation on this information. The entire article is leading the reader to believe that a conspiracy took place as early as August, 1967, and continued up to the day King was assassinated; however, no specific detail is provided to bear this out. Additionally, the author infers that Ray was involved unknowingly, but again no detail is provided to substantiate this.

ACTION:

This investigation is being afforded top priority attention, and you will be kept advised of pertinent developments.

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Rosen to DeLoach memorandum
RE: MURKIN

DETAILS:

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

William Bradford Huie, author, whose books include, "Three Lives for Mississippi" dealing with murder of the three civil rights workers in June of 1964, previously advised us that he entered into a contract with James Earl Ray to write the true account of Ray's activities and background concerning the assassination of King. Huie has been provided with notes from James Earl Ray, through Ray's attorney Arthur B. Hanes, Sr., Birmingham, Alabama.

William Bradford Huie is writing a series of articles appearing in "Look" magazine. The first article appeared in the November 12, 1968, issue (circulated October 29, 1968) and the second article appears in the issue of November 26, 1968, (circulated November 12, 1968).

We have received an advance copy of the article appearing in the November 26, 1968, issue and it essentially contains the following information.

1. The author points out in the beginning of this article three different items.

A. That the plot to murder Martin Luther King, Jr. existed as early as August 15, 1967, eight months prior to the murder on April 4, 1968.

B. That Ray was drawn/^{un}knowingly into this plot in Montreal on August 18, 1967, and thereafter moved as directed by the plotters. It is noted that August 18, 1967, is the alleged date that Ray met "Raoul" and the activities between Ray and "Raoul" commenced at this time.

It is also noted the previous article contains an account of an individual by the name of "Raoul." This individual and Ray, according to the article, were endeavoring to make some type of deal concerning a "joint activity" for which "Raoul" would pay Ray \$12,000. The specific nature of the "joint activity" was not fully described or identified, but Ray was to transport packages (not fully described) between the United States and Canada. The possibility exists that the packages could contain contraband, such as narcotics. No mention was made of "Raoul" providing Ray with funds which would implicate "Raoul" in a conspiracy in the King Assassination; however, Huie infers that a conspiracy exists.

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C. That as late as March 23, 1968, less than two weeks before the murder with which he is charged, Ray did not know that the plot included murder or that it was aimed in any way at Martin Luther King, Jr. It is noted that March 23, 1968, as set forth in the recent article in "Look" is the date that Ray was allegedly contacted by "Raoul" in Selma, Alabama.

The author again infers that a conspiracy is taking place; however, nothing specific is given and the author states "Therefore, in this plot, Dr. King was the secondary, not the primary target. The primary target was the United States of America!" No additional names or details are given.

2. Ray and the individual by the name of "Raoul" crossed the Canada- United States Border at Detroit, Michigan, and a customs receipt was issued to Ray as Galt for the declaration of a television set.

Again the item of carrying packages across the border is mentioned, and the contents of the packages are not disclosed. According to the article, the television set was declared in hopes that a search of the car would not go beyond this. The search did go slightly further; however, the packages were not discovered.

We were aware that he crossed back and forth at different points at the border of the United States and Canada; however, the officials do not maintain the records of people crossing the border unless customs declaration is made. We are now checking to determine if he did actually declare a television set.

3. Ray, during the latter part of August, 1967, registered at a motel in Birmingham, Alabama, and then at a rooming house at 2608 Highland Avenue at Birmingham. He also purchased a 1966 Mustang at Birmingham, rented a safe deposit box at a bank in Birmingham, and purchased camera equipment by mail order from a firm in Chicago, Illinois. We were aware of all this information except the fact of Ray staying in a motel in Birmingham. According to Huie, "Raoul" gave Ray \$3000 in cash to purchase an automobile, camera equipment, and for living expenses. No specific reason is given for the reason of these purchases. We have thoroughly investigated all the information in our possession and we are currently making appropriate checks at the motel in which Ray was to have allegedly stayed.

4. An account of the travel of Ray from Birmingham, Alabama, into Mexico and to Los Angeles, California. The account also states that he met "Raoul" across the border in Mexico and activity such as exchange of tires occurred. We conducted extensive investigation in Mexico and we were aware of the entire account of the Mexican travel

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with the exception of the activity that allegedly occurred at a motel across the border from Texas. The specific reason for the tire exchanging at the Texas, Mexico border is not given. It is possible that contraband, such as narcotics, is being concealed.

5. An account of Ray's activities when he was in Los Angeles, California, from mid December, 1967, to March 17, 1968. The accounts include plastic surgery performed on Ray's nose by Dr. Russel C. Hadley in Los Angeles and visits to a hypnotist by the name of Reverend Xavier Von Koss. Article also gives an account of Ray's travel from Los Angeles, California, to New Orleans, Louisiana, and return with an individual by the name of Charles Stein. Ray, during the trip to New Orleans, is alleged to have contacted "Raoul" in New Orleans. We were previously in receipt of this information with the exception of Ray's contact with "Raoul" in New Orleans. We are making appropriate inquiry at this time in efforts to identify "Raoul" in New Orleans.

6. Ray allegedly left Los Angeles in mid March, 1968, and stayed at a motel in Selma, Alabama. The significance of this is not known; however, the author implies that Ray contacted "Raoul" here.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1987) (P)

RE: MURKIN

On 10/12/68, WILLIAM JONAS, former Special Agent and presently Security Manager at Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, San Antonio, Texas, advised that he received a call on the morning of 10/12/68, from STEWART LONG, New York Times representative in Austin, Texas, who inquired about a telephone call made by RAY at Uvalde, Texas, to New Orleans, Louisiana, on 12/16/68. JONAS advised that he told LONG that he could not comment on this.

It should be noted that extensive investigation concerning the alleged telephone call has been conducted by various field divisions.

This is being submitted for the information of the Bureau and Memphis.

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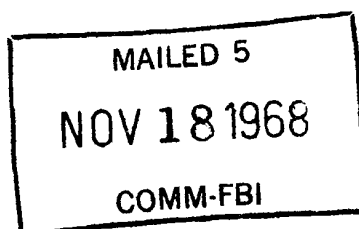
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Re San Antonio airtel to the Bureau 11-13-68.

You should review your records to determine if a telephone call was made by Ray at Uvalde, Texas, to New Orleans, Louisiana, on 12-16-67, and take appropriate action therefrom.

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Foreman Concerned Of Brand As Traitor

By CHARLES EDMUNDSON

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Mr. Foreman will fly to Atlanta this morning to address a bar association luncheon seminar. It is understood he will retrace Ray's wanderings there, visiting, among other places, the rooming house where his client is said to have stopped and to have abandoned, nearby, a white Mustang.

With Ray's trial postponed by Judge W. Preston Battle for nearly four months, the attorney general's office moved yesterday to restore the Criminal Court calendar to a normal operation.

Administrative Asst. Atty. Gen. Lloyd Rhodes said all five divisions should be operating normally by Monday.

Meanwhile, thousands of dollars of extraordinary public

expense continue. The Police Department said eight officers are assigned to guard one witness, Charles Quitman Stephens, around the clock. At an average monthly salary of \$550 for each officer, this would come to \$4,400 a month, or about \$15,000 for the four-month continuance.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis teletype to Bureau, 11/13/68.

Submitted herewith are two copies of article captioned, "Denied Access to Rooming House - New Ray Attorney Protests to FBI Chief," which appeared on page 1, Mid-South Edition of the "Memphis Press-Scimitar," 11/13/68.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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Denied Access to Rooming House**New Ray Attorney Protests to FBI Chief**

By KAY PITTMAN BLACK
Press-Scimitar Staff Writer

Percy Foreman, preparing to defend James Earl Ray in the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King, told today of having written to FBI director J. Edgar Hoover demanding entrance to the boarding house room in which King's killer is said to have stayed just before firing the fatal shot.

Foreman was denied entrance to the room when he went there yesterday afternoon.

The room is in a boarding house at 418-422½ S. Main. Adjacent to the room is a bathroom from which police say the sniper fired the shot that killed King as he stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel.

TURNED DOWN

Foreman inspected the Lorraine before he was turned down at the boarding house.

"A man who called himself Delbert White and said he was in charge of the place, would not let me enter," Foreman said. "In fact, he said they were fixing up the room, putting glass in it and all to rent it, and he wouldn't even let me rent it.

"This man told me that the FBI and Memphis police told him to demand to see a gold badge before letting anyone inspect the room Ray allegedly used. I asked him if I

**PERCY FOREMAN**

showed him permission from Judge Preston Battle to see the room if he would let me in. He said 'No,' that I would have to have permission from the FBI.

HOOVER

"I have written Hoover demanding that these excessive security regulations be removed. I would like to see the room before I talk to witnesses. I don't intend to take court action to get into

the room, I just intend to let Mr. Hoover handle it."

Foreman said he almost didn't take the controversial Ray case.

Discussing for the first time how he got into the case, Foreman told The Press-Scimitar, "I have hundreds of rules which I use not to take cases. One of them is not to touch a case if the person has even talked to another lawyer.

ARGUED

"I argued against taking it (the Ray case) for about an hour because I did not think I should be in the case," he said.

Foreman said he talked to John and Jerry Ray, who called him from St. Louis last "Thursday or Friday" asking him to take the case.

There were subsequent conversations with the brothers and later James Earl Ray himself on Sunday when Foreman visited the jail, but he declined to say who was the final persuader.

CONTINUANCE

In a hearing yesterday Judge Preston Battle grant-

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Memphis
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Memphis, Tenn.

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Editor: Charles H.

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ed Ray ~~to~~ to change attorneys—from Arthur Hanes Sr. and Jr. to Foreman—and granted a continuance to March 3. Foreman is to report to Battle on his progress in preparing the defense on Dec. 12 and the trial is set for March 3.

Is that enough time to prepare a defense, Foreman was asked. Is he satisfied with it?

The big and volatile 6-foot-4, 250 pound attorney grinned and said, "I have learned to be like St. Paul who said in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content."

CASE

Foreman, discussing preparation for the trial, said he would be his own investigator. He said he had no assistants, as many lawyers do.

"I've read the United States government has spent a million and a half on this case, so I'll take advantage of the names and addresses and maybe phone numbers and other prosecution exhibits. I understand there are 360 witnesses. No., I won't

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interview them all personally. "I have good lawyer friends in many places.

"For instance, I have lawyer friends in every major city of Canada. I'll have them talk to the witnesses there for me in the presence of a court reporter. I have good lawyer friends in Mexico and California, as well as London and other cities in Europe."

He indicated that he would not be going abroad to interview witnesses, saying, "I've never been to Europe, because I've never had a case there."

Foreman said that "underdog cases" appeal to him.

"I think perhaps I have a complex about it. When I was a child I'd always take up for and get into fights over a child who had a hairlip or was fat. Now I'm interested in those cases. People always ask me why I represent poor people and not rich ones. I always tell them rich people don't get indicted."

What will be his tactics in representing Ray?

Foreman said that any lawyer "worth anything" in such a celebrated case would certainly consider the possibility of a change of venue. But he added, "That doesn't mean anything, that's just something a n y o n e would think of."

He said also to be considered is the precedent—setting decision in the Denis W. Delaney trial.

Delaney was a former collector of internal revenue who was given a one year sentence and fined \$10,500 for accepting bribes and falsifying tax liens.

The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston set aside the conviction in 1952 on the grounds that there had been too much advance publicity about the trial and that Delaney did not get a fair trial.

The publicity which pre-

ceded Delaney's trial in Boston stemmed in part from hearings held in Washington by a congressional committee at which the conduct of the Boston collector was considered and numerous accusations against him were heard.

The court commented in overturning the conviction:

"If the U.S. through its legislative department chooses to hold a public hearing inevitably resulting in much damaging publicity prejudicial to a person awaiting trial on a pending indictment, then the U.S. must accept the consequence that the judicial department charged with the duty of assuring the defendant a fair trial before an impartial jury, may find it necessary to postpone the trial."

Such delay, the ruling added, might continue "until by lapse of time the danger of the prejudice may reasonably be thought to have been substantially removed."

In talking of the Delaney case, Foreman commented that he thought the ruling would be applicable to any celebrated case involving people like Sirhan Sirhan (accused as slayer of Sen. Robert Kennedy), Lee Harvey Oswald, had he lived, or James Earl Ray. Foreman said the congressional hearings might be compared in the Ray case "perhaps to the Look magazine articles."

Foreman opened his coat up and showed a thick wad of papers in his vest pocket, saying they were the contract between author William Bradford Huie and Hanes.

Huie, author of the Look articles, paid Ray for his story. Foreman said he did not wish to comment as to whether the contract between his client and Huie was void now "until I read the contract."

He said that Jerry and John Ray had sold John's last Friday night in St. Louis to help pay for their broth-

er's defense.

Foreman said he wrote and typed his own brief presented to the court asking for continuance.

"When I was 15 years old I was a better than average secretary; when I was 16 I passed a court reporter's exam. I'm a lot better stenographer than I am a lawyer."

He has a secretary in Houston.

On capital punishment Foreman said: "I don't believe in it." He said he doesn't think modern day electrocutions are a deterrent to crime, saying, "In the old days they took a man before the general public, to the highest hill and hanged him."

"Now they electrocute him in the early morning, just before midnight, with only 20 people to witness it. What is the deterrent in that? The public hanging made an impression all right."

What we've got now is just a refinement of murder. It's still murder whether done by a group of 12 or the court's jurisdiction over a group of one.

"I'm opposed to capital punishment for anyone convicted for murder, rape, robbery. The only people who ought to be executed are hot check artists and child molesters. They won't quit. The others usually commit their crime only once, particularly murders."

Foreman had much praise for Judge Battle, presiding in the Ray case. "It's easy to be popular, but a trial lawyer and a judge should be courageous. He is courageous. He is a fine, right down-the-line judge. Even if I asked for a change of venue I'd ask to take Judge Battle along, and let him swear

benches. You couldn't have a better judge. I respect him."

Foreman's profanity is legend. In the course of one day's time, he chewed out in purple prose at least a half dozen newsmen. Foreman has a hair-trigger temper, but in the next instant can be extremely kind and gentle.

He is also erudite, sprinkling his conversation with quotes from the Bible, H. G. Wells, and the Greeks.

Meanwhile, Atty. Gen. Phil

M. Canale is considering subpoenaing Ray's 20,000-word handwritten manuscript as evidence.

Ray wrote the document in his jail cell as the basis for a series of stories being written by Huie and appearing in Look magazine. Canale's approach may well be a request for Huie or Look to supply the material voluntarily, as the attorney general's subpoena powers do not extend outside the state.

The second of the articles,

published yesterday, claims that a conspiracy to murder Dr. King existed as early as August 1967, but that Ray did not know, as late as March 23, 1968, that murder was involved or that the victim was to be Dr. King (killed April 4).

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. TROTTER *6/28*

DATE: 11/12/68

FROM : C. E. Ganley *4*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

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This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr. It was previously reported that committee of seven attorneys advising Judge W. Preston Battle, Criminal Court, Memphis, Tennessee, presented him with petition, which he signed 10/24/68, requiring that George Bonebrake, Latent Fingerprint Examiner, appear before court 12/6/68 to show cause why he should not be adjudged in contempt. This action based on article appearing in Wichita, Kansas, "Beacon" newspaper concerning police school conducted by Bonebrake in September, 1968. Bonebrake allegedly unnecessarily aired fingerprint testimony of this case in the presence of newspaper reporters at the police school. Bonebrake is the examiner who presented expert fingerprint testimony on 6/27/68 in London, England, in connection with extradition of James Earl Ray. His testimony received widespread publicity throughout the world. Bonebrake has emphatically denied discussing his fingerprint testimony with representatives of the press at any time or unnecessarily airing fingerprint testimony of this case before police school. He has reported this was a closed school and press was permitted on one occasion during recess period at invitation of Wichita Police Department to take pictures for local publicity. Administrative action has previously been taken against Bonebrake for discussing the case at the closed police school. *L*

Memorandum 11/8/68 from Fred M. Vinson, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, referred to an article in the Memphis "Commercial Appeal" of 10/16/68 which article quotes from the Wichita, Kansas, "Beacon" and triggered action by the Court. This article quotes Assistant City Editor of the "Beacon" as stating newsmen were permitted to attend the police school and a major from the Wichita Police Department objected the day after the article appeared in the Wichita "Beacon" that

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Enclosure *sent - 11-13-68*

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- 1 - Mr. Bishop, Room 5640 JB
- 1 - Mr. Rosen, Room 5706 JB

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Memorandum to MR. TROTTER
RE: MURKIN

the speech had been quoted too much in detail. Vinson states that it is essential to decisively refute Assistant City Editor's quoted version and anticipated testimony as well as the anticipated testimony of reporters and policemen. He requested that "appropriate measures to assist our full preparation to oppose the contempt charge" be taken.

The trial of subject Ray was scheduled to begin today; however, news reports indicate it will be postponed as subject has reportedly retained a new attorney.* In setting the date 12/6/68 for Bonebrake's appearance to show cause as to why he should not be held in contempt, Judge Battle noted he was doing so as this would be after the trial of subject Ray and to do otherwise would result in unnecessary publicity, defeating purpose of his original order. It was recognized in filing the contempt petition that the Court did not have jurisdiction. Further, it appeared that the committee of attorneys had no sound grounds to substantiate their recommendation and probably took the action against our employee as a face-saving gesture, since they had been severely criticized by Ray's defense attorney, Arthur Hanes, Sr., and a Memphis "Commercial Appeal" reporter, Charles Edmundson, who are both currently under contempt citation by Judge Battle in this case. In order to comply with Mr. Vinson's request, it would appear desirable to have Kansas City Office discreetly interview the 17 officers in attendance at the police school and to identify and interview the major from the Wichita Police Department who is apparently quoted by the newspaper in this matter. It would not appear advisable to interview reporters or other newspaper people in connection with this matter as to do so might attract unnecessary publicity.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached airtel be approved, instructing SAC, Kansas City, to have the officers who attended the police school discreetly interviewed, and to identify and interview the major from the Wichita Police Department who was quoted by the newspaper.

[Handwritten signature]
*Judge has now postponed trial until March, 1969.

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Date: 11/13/68

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(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, DETROIT (44-989)MURKINRe Bureau telephone call to Detroit, dated 11/9/68,
and Detroit telephone call to the Bureau, dated 11/12/68.

A review of the receipts of the U.S. Customs Office, Detroit, Michigan, indicating articles declared at the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel and Ambassador Bridge, Detroit, Michigan, during the months of July, August and September, 1968, by Special Agents of the Detroit Office failed to reveal any receipt identifiable with a television set allegedly declared by JAMES EARL RAY using the alias ERIC S. GALT during the three months indicated. The review indicated that only two television sets were declared during the pertinent months and these were both declared by commercial concerns and the duty paid was in excess of \$10.00 on each item. Customs receipts for pertinent months were also reviewed by the U.S. Customs Office, Detroit, Michigan, and no receipts identifiable with the above-described alleged declaration was discovered.

In consideration of the possibility that the alleged Customs receipt might have been misfiled or the date of the alleged declaration might have been in other than the above three indicated months, the Detroit Office on this date is expanding the search of the Customs receipts to include the periods during which JAMES EARL RAY was at large.

On 11/14/68 Detroit will submit an airtel and FD-302 covering the review of the Customs receipts, U.S. Customs Office, Detroit, Michigan, for the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel and Ambassador Bridge during the periods 4/67 - 5/68.

3 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Detroit
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C. C. Bishop

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Memorandum

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

DATE: November 8, 1968

FROM: *W* Fred M. Vinson, Jr., Assistant Attorney General,
Criminal Division

SUBJECT: Assassination of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Exhibits attached to the Petition for Contempt in the Criminal Court of Shelby County against Mr. George Bonebrake of the Federal Bureau of Investigation include copies of three articles from Memphis newspapers containing quotations attributed to Mr. Bonebrake. These quotations appear to derive from an article in the Wichita, Kansas, Beacon reporting on Mr. Bonebrake's participation in the latent fingerprint school in Wichita.

Exhibit A of the Petition, which is a copy of an article in the Memphis Commercial Appeal of October 16, 1968, contains the following paragraph:

"Frank Garofolo, assistant city editor of the Wichita Beacon, said yesterday that newsmen were permitted to attend the lecture and nothing was put off the record at the police seminar. A major in the Wichita Police Department objected the next day, Mr. Garofolo said, that the speech had been quoted too much in detail."

Your memorandum of October 29, 1968, summarizes Mr. Bonebrake's explanation of the extent of his comments at the latent fingerprint school in Wichita during the period September 9 through 13, 1968, discusses the closed nature of the school, and points out that one member of the class seemed friendly and communicative with a reporter during a recess public relations period. Obviously Mr. Garofolo is quoted as stating a contrary understanding as to the closed nature of the seminars, and the news reports indicate that someone is responsible for the extensive comments attributed to Mr. Bonebrake. We consider

*memo C.E. Stanley
to Grotter 11/12/68
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it essential to decisively refute Mr. Garofolo's quoted version and anticipated testimony, as well as the anticipated testimony of reporters and policemen. I would appreciate your taking appropriate measures to assist our full preparation to oppose the contempt charge, should that need arise.

11/12/68

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To: SAC's Kansas City - Enc. (2)
Memphis (44-1987) - Enc. (2)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861) - 5374

MURKIN EX-101

Attached is a copy of self-explanatory memorandum from Fred M. Vinson, Jr., Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, requesting that appropriate measures be taken to assist in preparation to oppose possible contempt charge against Latent Fingerprint Section Examiner George J. Bonebrake.

For your information, on 10/24/68 Judge W. Preston Battle, Criminal Court of Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, signed a petition requiring that Examiner Bonebrake appear before that court on 12/6/68 to show cause why he should not be held in contempt of court. This action was taken in connection with an article appearing in the Wichita, Kansas, "Beacon" newspaper, concerning advanced latent fingerprint police school conducted by Mr. Bonebrake during five-day period, 9/9-13/68, at Wichita, Kansas. This school was sponsored by Wichita Police Department and seventeen officers from Wichita Police Department and surrounding departments attended. Bonebrake is alleged to have unnecessarily aired fingerprint testimony of this case in presence of representative of the press supposedly in attendance at the school. Bonebrake is the examiner who presented expert fingerprint testimony on 6/27/68 in London, England, in connection with the extradition of Ray. His testimony received widespread publicity throughout the world.

1 - Mr. Bishop, Enc.
1 - Mr. Rosen, Enc.

NOTE: See memo C. E. Ganley to Mr. Trotter entitled MURKIN dated 11/12/68. CEG:jeg

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Examiner Bonebrake emphatically denied allegations and advised that the above police school was a closed school for law enforcement officers only. No members of the press or the public were permitted to attend lectures. Only ^{time} members of the press admitted to classroom was when invited by sponsoring police department during a recess period to take photos and collect data for local press story. One member of the class, who seemed friendly with a reporter present, mentioned that Bonebrake was the fingerprint examiner that had given testimony in London. The reporter commented to Bonebrake that he thought he recalled his (Bonebrake) name. No further questions asked and no other information volunteered by Bonebrake. At no time did Mr. Bonebrake discuss fingerprint testimony with representatives of the press or unnecessarily air fingerprint testimony in this case. On one occasion during school, members of the class attempted to query him as to the details of fingerprint testimony. Bonebrake stated that he gave no facts other than what had already been quoted by the press concerning his London, England, testimony. No member of the press was present at this time.

Bonebrake at extradition hearing for Ray testified that three latent prints developed this case and the fingerprints of Ray taken by Los Angeles Police Department, at Missouri State Penitentiary and taken during extradition charge by Scotland Yard were fingerprints of one and the same individual. This fingerprint testimony was quoted extensively in news media throughout the world.

In an effort to comply with Assistant Attorney General Vinson's request, you are instructed to have mature, experienced agents contact representatives in attendance at the above school, as well as the Major in the Wichita Police Department quoted by the local newspapers concerning this matter and discreetly interview them in an effort to obtain information to refute allegations that Examiner Bonebrake unnecessarily aired fingerprint testimony in class with members of the press present. No members of the press should be contacted in connection with your inquiry. Please handle promptly and advise Bureau attention Identification Division.

Memphis advise what effect postponement of trial until March, 1969, will have on the court's consideration of Bonebrake matter scheduled for 12/6/68.

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1 - Mr. Long

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TO: Legat, Ottawa

FROM: Director, FBI

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By return communication advise the Bureau the results of investigation conducted by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) in regards to the information furnished to our Memphis Division by James Squires and any investigative results concerning the identification of "Raoul" in Montreal, Canada.

You should also advise if the investigative results concerning the interview with female, who consorted with Ray in Canada during Summer of 1967, can be disseminated to the Department and to state authorities.

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1 - Foreign Liaison (Cleared with SA Graham Day)

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NOTE: Based upon articles in "Look" magazine by William Bradford Huie, we have requested the RCMP, through our Legat, Ottawa, in Ottawa, to make appropriate investigation. James Squires, an editor of a newspaper in Tennessee, likewise, furnished us information as a result of a telephone call he received from an individual in Canada furnishing him information relative to James Earl Ray. We also requested the RCMP to make inquiry concerning this.

We are asking Legat, Ottawa, to furnish us any investigative results of the RCMP concerning these items. We are also requesting permission to disseminate results of RCMP concerning the female that Ray allegedly consorted with in the Summer of 1967.

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Enclosed are original and one Xerox copy each of newspaper clippings in captioned matter.

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FROM: DIRECTOR
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RE BOSTON TELETYPE TO BUREAU NOVEMBER 15, 1968.
SUBJECT: [REDACTED] (100-1)

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TO: DIRECTOR (100-1)
FROM: BOSTON (100-1)

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High Court Maps Contempt Release

Petitions For Reporters In Criminal Appeals

The Tennessee Supreme Court has instructed counsel for two Memphis reporters held in contempt of court in the James Earl Ray case to seek relief first in the State Court of Criminal Appeals.

In compliance with the order, Armistead Clay, counsel for the Memphis Publishing Co., yesterday re-filed petitions for certiorari and supersedeas with Criminal Appeals Judge Mark Walker at Covington.

Criminal Court Judge W. Preston Battle in a ruling Sept. 30 held Charles Edmundson of The Commercial Appeal and Ray Hamilton of the Press-Scimitar in contempt of his order to limit pretrial publicity in the Ray case.

Arthur Hanes Sr., who until Tuesday was Ray's attorney, was held in contempt at the same time. So was Renfro T. Hays, an investigator in Mr. Hanes' employ. When Judge Battle Tuesday let Ray substitute Percy Foreman of Houston for Mr. Hanes as his counsel, Hanes posted a \$1,000 cash bond as surety against violation of the judge's order.

Mr. Edmundson and Mr. Hamilton plead the constitutional guarantee of a free press and other grounds in appealing Judge Battle's ruling.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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— The Commercial Appeal

— Memphis, Tenn.

Date: 11-15-68

Edition: Final

Author:

Editor: Frank R. Ahlgren

Title:

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Classification: 44-1987
Submitting Office: Memphis

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Bar Committee Eyes Foreman

The Bar Association committee policing publicity in the James Earl Ray case today was reported to be casting a critical eye at public statements made this week by Ray's new attorney, Percy Foreman.

Members of the committee, who were appointed by Judge W. Preston Battle, have consistently declined comment on their investigations, speaking only through reports and recommendations to the court.

However, it was learned that a meeting is being considered to take up some of the out-of-court statements of the Texas attorney, who has been quoted extensively by the press since he entered the case Sunday.

Meanwhile, foreman dropped by the attorney General's office this morning and picked up a list of the state's witnesses.

Foreman told Judge Battle Monday, when the trial was postponed to March 3, that he intends to interview every one of the witnesses who will talk to him.

The list contained approximately 360 names of persons in the U.S., Canada, Portugal and England.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Memphis
Press Scimitar

Memphis, Tenn.

Date: 11-14-68

Edition: Home

Author:

Editor: Charles H.

Title: Schneider

Character:

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Classification: 44-1987

Submitting Office: Memphis

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861)

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MURKIN ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

MEMPHIS PRESS-SCIMITAR, U IN MID-SOUTH EDITION DATED
WEDNESDAY, NOV. THIRTEEN, SIXTY EIGHT, CARRIED ARTICLE ON PAGE
ONE CAPTIONED AS FOLLOWS: "DENIED ACCESS TO ROOMING HOUSE,
NEW RAY ATTORNEY PROTESTS TO FBI CHIEF".

IN ARTICLE APPEARING ON ^APAGE ONE, PERCY FOREMAN, NEW
ATTORNEY FOR JAMES EARL RAY, IS QUOTED AS SAYING, "A MAN WHO
CALLED HIMSELF DELBERT WHITE AND SAID HE WAS IN CHARGE OF THE
PLACE WOULD NOT LET ME IN." FOREMAN WAS DISCUSSING THE BOARDING
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MAIN, MEMPHIS.

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FOREMAN IS FURTHER QUOTED AS SAYING, "THIS MAN TOLD ME THAT
THE FBI AND MEMPHIS POLICE TOLD HIM TO DEMAND TO SEE A GOLD
BADGE BEFORE LETTING ANYONE INSPECT THE ROOM RAY ALLEGEDLY USED.
I ASKED HIM IF I SHOWED HIM PERMISSION FROM JUDGE PRESTON BATTLE
TO SEE THE ROOM IF HE WOULD LET ME IN. HE SAID NO, THAT I WOULD
HAVE TO HAVE PERMISSION FROM THE FBI."

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MR. DELOACH FOR THE DIRECTOR

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FOREMAN IS FURTHER QUOTED AS SAYING, "I HAVE WRITTEN HOOVER DEMANDING THAT THESE EXCESSIVE SECURITY REGULATIONS BE REMOVED. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE ROOM BEFORE I TALK TO WITNESSES. I DON'T INTEND TO TAKE COURT ACTION TO GET INTO THE ROOM. I JUST INTEND TO LET MR. HOOVER HANDLE IT."

MEMPHIS INDICES DO NOT DISCLOSE ANY RECORD OF A DELBERT WHITE BEING ASSOCIATED WITH THE ROOMING HOUSE. AT TIME OF ASSASSINATION, MRS. BESSIE BREWER AND HER HUSBAND, FRANK BREWER, WERE IN CHARGE OF ROOMING HOUSE.

REGARDLESS OF WHO WAS IN CHARGE OF ROOMING HOUSE, NO ONE FROM MEMPHIS FBI DIVISION HAS PLACED ANY TYPE OF RESTRICTION AT BOARDING HOUSE NOR HAS ANYONE REQUESTED THAT THE FBI BE CONTACTED IN ORDER TO GIVE CLEARANCE FOR ANYONE TO ENTER ROOM AT BOARDING HOUSE.

ARTICLE OF INTEREST BEING CLIPPED AND FORWARDED BY SEPARATE COMMUNICATION. P.

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CC-MR. ROSEN

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MR. MOSS LEE INNES,
c/o UNITED STATES EMBASSY,
100 WELLINGTON STREET,
OTTAWA, ONTARIO.

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Toronto C.I.B. General

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(ASSISTANCE TO F.B.I.)

1. With reference to the above and p.c.r. dated 25 OCT 68, Mr. Robert DWYER from Memphis, Tennessee, contacted this Office by telephone on the 1 NOV 68 and requested the following:

- (a) To obtain the name and address of the Government Department which is presently holding the original Passport Application in the name of Raymond SNEYD. Mr. DWYER said they would like this Document for their trial.
- (b) To contact the following and get a definite answer from them concerning their travelling to Memphis to appear as witnesses in the trial of James Earle RAY.

Mrs. Lillian SPENCER
Mrs. Mable AGNEW and daughter
Mr. Eric Vincent GALT
Mrs. Adam SZPAKOWSKI and daughter
Mrs. Sun Fung LOO and son
Mr. Ramon George SNEYD
Mr. Robert McDOULTON (Note Correction)
Mr. Paul BRIDGEMAN

Mr. DWYER believed that these people would be required in Memphis about the first week in December, 1968, however, he would supply at least one week's notice.

2. Mr. DWYER was advised that we presently have a person charged (see file Henry MOOS, Section 12, Commissioners, For Taking Affidavits Act, 68-0-500-65) in Toronto and the Passport Application would, no doubt, be required by the Crown as an exhibit. However, we would attempt to learn when this Document could be obtained and if it could be forwarded to Memphis.

3. The above information was brought to the attention of the Officer i/c C.I.B., who instructed that we contact the noted individuals and also contact the Crown Attorney handling the MOOS case to learn if this Document was required for Court and when it could be released.

4. The above-noted was ⁸² contacted and they all agreed to go other than Paul BRIDGEMAN and Robert McDOULTON. Both these men gave the reason "that they did not want to get involved". With reference to AGNEW, SZPAKOWSKI and LOO, they are taking other members of their family for company only and these people will not be required as witnesses.

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5. With reference to the charge preferred against MOOS, Cpl. BEERE of our Immigration and Passport Section, interviewed the Crown Attorney, Mr. I. CARTWRIGHT, who will, in the near future, contact the Defence Lawyer with a suggestion that the Certified Copy of the original Application for Passport, be submitted as evidence, rather than the original. If this matter is agreeable to all persons concerned, this would make the original available for the trial in Memphis, providing that the Passport Office in Ottawa, along with our Headquarters, are in accordance.

6. A further report will be submitted when Mr. CARTWRIGHT advises this office of the decision.

7. Mr. DWYER was contacted by telephone this date, and advised of the contents of this report.

S.U.I.
D.D. 30-11-68

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(L.H.M.) S/Sgt.
i/c Tor. CIB Gen.

(J.S. Dunlop) #17852
Toronto C.I.B. General.

THE OFFICER I/C C.I.B., TORONTO.

FORWARDED: Assistant Crown Attorney, Mr. Ian CARTWRIGHT, has been contacted in respect to the pending prosecution against MOOS. In particular, the question of using a Certified Copy of the original Application for Passport in evidence at the MOOS' trial, as opposed to using the original.

2. Mr. CARTWRIGHT was thoroughly briefed in respect to the Americans' request for the original Application, and he feels that the Certified Copy of the Application would suffice for the purpose of the MOOS' trial. He has no objections to the original being entered as evidence at the trial in Memphis. Mr. CARTWRIGHT advised that the Defence is requesting an adjournment at the next appearance, and the MOOS' trial is not expected to be heard until February or March of 1969.

3. The original Application is now held at the Lab at "N" Division. Should it be in order to allow the Americans to use this document at their trial in Memphis, Cpl. DUNLOP will make arrangements to take possession of it when he is at "N" Division for the purposes of attending a Course during the latter part of November of this year. Cpl. DUNLOP will then be able to transport this document to Memphis, and turn it over to the authorities at that point. Instructions will be awaited in this regard.

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(G.L. Tomalty)
N.C.O. Co-Ordinator, C.I.B. Investigators.

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To: SAC, Springfield

From: Director, FBI

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**Advise results of your inquiry concerning Ray
purchasing a Plymouth at East St. Louis, Illinois, in
June of 1967.**

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Director, FBI (44-38861)

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1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Long, 2260
1 - Mr. Conrad

October 30, 1968

1 - Lab Files
1 - Office
1 - Mr. Clark
1 - Mr. Latona (Attn: Mr. Bonebrake)
1 - Mr. Mortimer
1 - Mr. Frazier

The items listed on pages one through six of the attached list were delivered to SA Robert Fitzpatrick of the Memphis Office on 10/30/68. As a matter of record, the items listed on pages seven through nine are being delivered in person to the District Attorney General's office, Memphis, Tennessee, by SA James H. Mortimer, FBI Laboratory.

Included with the items delivered to SA Fitzpatrick were pillboxes containing debris and glass slides containing material removed from various items.

If any or all of the items delivered to SA Fitzpatrick leave the possession of the Memphis Office the chain of custody must be protected.

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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 7-8 $\frac{1}{2}$
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

Personally delivered to SA Robert Fitzpatrick; Memphis office

Received 10/30/68

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(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