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Date 4/24/69

HOWARD STARNES, Manager, Illinois Motel, Highway 45 North, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

A. D. ASHCRAFT
1603 Freeman Avenue, Southwest
Decatur, Alabama

W. L. LEDBETTER
104 5th Avenue
Decatur, Alabama

LEON V. MEADOWS
505 South Conception
Mobile, Alabama

L. GARRISON
1005 Danville Road, Southwest
Decatur, Alabama

TERRY JOHNSON
2821 Forest Home
Jonestown, Arkansas

GEORGE RUNSHANG (?)
521 North Breyon
Little Rock, Arkansas
Arkansas license ABD-050

Mr. and Mrs. WAYNE ABO
Box 2063
Panama City, Florida

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SA JOHN S. CASTLES FGH/bdb

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JAKE STAHL
4621 25th Avenue South
St. Petersburg, Florida

JAMES A. HAYWOOD
Jacksonville, Florida
Florida license 2WW2700

JAMES STANCEILL
3734 Peachtree Road, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia
Georgia license 1-A-2856

GEORGE DOERNER
620 East 52nd Street
Savannah, Georgia

ROBERT KOMMERS
1255 North Sandberg
Chicago, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. GLEN DELP
2100 East Monroe
Springfield, Illinois

CHARLES CLAXTON
229 South Walnut
Litchfield, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. CHRIS KNUDSEN
New Holland, Illinois
Illinois license 322-733

JIMMY W. FAULKNER
776 Sharon
Park City (Chicago), Illinois
Illinois license LB 3491

HAROLD ROSTER
309½ East Carter
Kokomo, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. ED SMILEY
Route 1
Kalkaska, Michigan

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JOE KELLUM and FRED ROWLAND
905 East Main
Charleston, Mississippi

CURTIS W. STOVER
4128 Cedar Street
Jackson, Mississippi

FRANK BURROW
Jackson, Mississippi
(State Highway Department)
License S/6 574

JOHN H. HAMMETT
657 West Washington
Kirkwood, Missouri

ED GREEN
4373 Laclede
St. Louis, Missouri
Missouri license SL0597

DEAN WILKES
7207 Prospect
Kansas City, Missouri

L. F. OHLINGER
4803 Sonic Drive
Ravenna, Ohio

NEIL A. VITENSE
Columbia, South Dakota
South Dakota license 3-18270

LeROY AUSTIN
3540 Wilshire
Memphis, Tennessee
License BV5975

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P. D. MERRILL
3050 Richmond Hill
Nashville, Tennessee
Ohio license 8W899

JIM and FLOYD CROWE
609 Tremont
Chattanooga, Tennessee
(United Van Lines)

DREW GATES
1236 Madison
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BP-272

Mrs. JOE GREENE
116 Third
Jackson, Tennessee
Tennessee license DG 1942

CARL MANN
Route 4
Huntingdon, Tennessee
License KA 7581

Mr. and Mrs. JIM F. NORTHAM
540 East Olive Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license A5-2693

J. E. WILLIAMS
Memphis, Tennessee

MYRON C. WALL
3625 Graceland
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BR 6231

D. C. RICH
2102 Southeast 26 Avenue
Mineral Wells, Texas
Texas license FDF 458

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Mr. and Mrs. CLIFFORD GARDNER
Pittsville, Wisconsin
License W27088

Mr. and Mrs. MARSHALL A. RICE
Route 2, Highway 19
Sun Prairie, Wisconsin
License Q74-020

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H. C. FREEMAN, Owner and Operator, Corona Plaza Motel, Highways 72 and 45, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

PAUL FIELDER
147 Robert E. Lee
Leeds, Alabama

G. M. McEACHERIN
3120 North 27th Street
Birmingham, Alabama

Mrs. EULA M. CORVAN
1123 South 10 Place
Birmingham, Alabama

R. G. LUTTRELL
1348 Hatfield Lane
Birmingham, Alabama

JOHN DOBBS
1003 Peas Street
Florence, Alabama

RAY TODD
206 Carol Drive
Trussville, Alabama

JOHN M. BRUSH
8734 Edgehill Drive, South
Huntsville, Alabama

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KEN CRAWFORD and wife
29 Orchard Drive
Cullman, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. MARTIN BERSANO
513 Terry Street
Longmont, Colorado
Georgia license 1D25131, Falcon

Mr. and Mrs. CARL CRUSE
601 Southeast 5th Avenue
Pompano Beach, Florida
Florida license 10-61837, Rambler

JONATHAN PUGH
221 Cedar Park
Sarasota, Florida
Illinois license 254-545, Continental

A. B. COLLINS, Jr.
2847 Osborne Road, Northeast
Atlanta, Georgia 30319

W. S. BLOUNT
3496 Lenardo Drive, Southwest
Atlanta, Georgia

DWIGHT K. ROBINSON
Fort Gordon, Georgia
(Civil Affairs School)

Mr. and Mrs. WAYNE SCRIBNER
214 South Crea Street
Decatur, Illinois

WALTER LIMIRICK
Galatia, Illinois

TOM CLARK
504 Barton Street
Newton, Illinois

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3

Mr. and Mrs. LYLE BAILEY
Route 1
Willow Hill, Illinois
Illinois license 247373

JAMES STANLEY
90 Suburban Drive
Elkhart, Indiana

WILLIAM C. NICHOLS
602 West 13th Street
Vinton, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. HALKER
Route 1
Monticello, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. WIMMER
2619 North Court
Ottumwa, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. HEMPSTEAD
2614 South Maple Street
Sioux City, Iowa

CLAIR L. ROCKKOTZ and wife
2530 East 29
Des Moines, Iowa

GREENE KLOGGS
2631 Dunoe Road
Louisville, Kentucky

W. T. MASON and wife
230 Locke Boulevard
Paducah, Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. J. DORENBUSCH
1016 11th Street
Carvelton, Kentucky

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Mr. and Mrs. PAUL MOORE
Bowling Green, Kentucky

E. B. McINTYRE
Route 5
Scottsville, Kentucky
Kentucky license 9-073

GEORGE T. MUSCOVALLEY
P. O. Box 171
Columbus, Kentucky

Judge and Mrs. EARL J. MAXWELL
2424 West 22nd Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota

G. L. WALTON and J. H. LOCKE
712 Henderson
Greenwood, Mississippi
Mississippi license P/622538

HOWARD JONES
675 Scenic Drive
Grenada, Mississippi

CHARLES E. BANES
Raymond, Mississippi
(Federal Land Bank Association)

KENNETH WOOD
Box 7
Jonestown, Mississippi

BOBBY SHAW and JAY CLARK
University, Mississippi

FRANCIS WILLIAMS
University, Mississippi
(Department of Agriculture)

JULIUS C. REEVES
5350 Clair Street
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license H16748

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PAT H. THOMPSON
P. O. Box 682
Magee, Mississippi

ED WALTON
State College, Mississippi

LLOYD L. FRITCH
1500 Glem Drive
Amory, Mississippi
(Valley Tractor and Equipment Corporation)

MARIA INGRAM
Route 2
Seminary, Mississippi

THOMAS J. HOBBER
YMCA
Jackson, Mississippi
(1007 Jackson
Corinth, Mississippi)

LAY HINDMAN
Harper Road
Corinth, Mississippi

JENNINGS DAVIS
709 Magnolia
Hattiesburg, Mississippi

PHILIP D. BAILEY
P. O. Box 71
Plantersville, Mississippi
(Brown and Williamson Tobacco Company)
Mississippi license 73-5006

AARON GUTHRIE
Route 1
Burnsville, Mississippi

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JAMES W. PENDERGRAPH
Jeff Davis Hotel
Tupelo, Mississippi

TOMMY SUTTERFIELD
1704 East Church Street
Booneville, Mississippi
Mississippi license 593292

MIKE SIMS
2755 Pine Tree Drive
Jackson, Mississippi

J. T. THOMPSON
212 Summerhaven Drive
Columbus, Mississippi

B. L. McMILLON
Madison, Mississippi

ROBBIE S. RUDDER
614 Browder Street
Columbus, Mississippi
Mississippi license 9-9835

D. ADRIAN WARREN
P. O. Box 2305
Laurel, Mississippi

CHARLES McCARTY
Gardner Center
Laurel, Mississippi

JOHN WILLIS
741 North State Street
Jackson, Mississippi
(Jackson Dental Supplies)

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CLIFF PORTERFIELD
1434 Sunset Circle
Clarksdale, Mississippi
(Coahoma Chemical Company)

W. HAROLD EMERSON
45 Oak Terrace
Webster Groves, Missouri

JACK HUNSTEIN
1177 Glenway Drive
Glendale, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. FRED L. EASTMAN
3026 Awonda Road
Lima, Ohio

GERALD EPGREMON
738 Walnut Oak Street
Sand Springs, Oklahoma

J. C. SHOLAR
P. O. Box 17675
Memphis, Tennessee

JAMES HAYNES
528 South Washington
Brownsville, Tennessee
(Major Casket Company)

JAMES WARD
2153 Gayle
Memphis, Tennessee

D. B. COX
Memphis, Tennessee

BILLY WEBB, 1106 Kansas
Memphis, Tennessee

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G. C. PYLE
Memphis, Tennessee

J. D. PRIESTER
1391 Laudees
Memphis, Tennessee

CARL ROSSER
4310 Fizer
Memphis, Tennessee

HENRY BLACK
3492 Southland
Memphis, Tennessee

R. B. MULROY
525 St. Nick Drive
Memphis, Tennessee
(George B. Jones and Company)

F. M. GILBREATH
1019 Sandra
Memphis, Tennessee

DANNY BOUCHELLON
718 Madison
Memphis, Tennessee
(George B. Jones and Company)

HOUSTON COUCH
Savannah, Tennessee

MAXINE PIERCE
517 East Heights Street
Lawrenceburg, Tennessee

LARRY MEYLES
1106 Kansas
Memphis, Tennessee

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ANN PAWFLY
612 Waring
Memphis, Tennessee

A. D. PIPKIN
2707 McMurray
Memphis, Tennessee
(U.S. Post Office)

J. E. MURRAY
7930 Pipesmont
Houston, Texas
(B. & C Construction Company)

GEORGE S. GRAY
1040 Neel Road
Pampa, Texas
Texas license 3PC478

ROBERT C. WALES
Apartment 10, 108 South Bowser Road
Richardson, Texas
Texas license KLG826

Mrs. TED MOODY
Hayward, Wisconsin

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Mrs. LOUISE BREWER, Manager, Round-Town Motel,
Highway 45, North, Corinth, Mississippi, made available
the motel registration records for the period March 29,
1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals
were registered during this period:

JAMES R. GREEN
Route 2
Red Bay, Alabama

LEON BLAXTON
Courtland, Alabama

NORRIS McDADE
Little Rock, Arkansas
(representing Sterling Store)

WILLIAM CHITTY
Widener, Arkansas
Arkansas license 3950

WAYNE BAKER
Forest City, Arkansas
License J5034

HOMER (last name illegible)
425 Pike
North Little Rock, Arkansas

N. V. PEDERSON
Congress, Saskatchewan, Canada

JESSE COCHRAN
10818 1087 Street North
Largo, Florida

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SID CLEVLIN
115 Wallmanda
Port Richey, Florida
Florida license 28D1760, Rambler

SAMMY S. BULLIGTER
New Port Richey, Florida

Mr. and Mrs. O. RUNNER
Route 1, Box 236A
Clermont, Florida

Mrs. PAUL W. HAYES
857 Northwest Deedra Street
Port Charlotte, Florida
Florida license 53-503

N. C. LADNER
Big Pine Key, Florida
Florida license 38-2211, Dodge

HOWARD H. LAVON
518 Tschetter Drive
Auburndale, Florida

JAMES COLLIN
Sheldon, Illinois
Indiana license 7829E

Mr. and Mrs. CECIL M. CARTER
1745 West Division Street
Decatur, Illinois
Illinois license CC 1745

O. H. WOLTERS
Route 3
Sparta, Illinois
Alabama license 1A92256

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Mr. and Mrs. EARL JURZE
2919 Custer Avenue
Rockford, Illinois

Mr. W. L. PARKERSON
1115 Harlem Boulevard
Rockford, Illinois

ALLEN AUGHENBAUGH and wife
3845 Aberdeen
Alton, Illinois

M. L. SHAFFER
609 South 10th
Quincy, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. J. MacGREGOR
7704 Adams Street
Forest Park, Illinois
Illinois license JM 7704

Mr. and Mrs. I. PESSES
1804-16th Street
Rock Island, Illinois
Illinois license PA 2401

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. ANDERSON
814 Oakland Avenue
Joliet, Illinois
Illinois license 87-317

CHESTER W. BRADLEY
730 West Harrison Street
Decatur, Illinois

BUELL PATTERSON
223 East Jeffries
Winchester, Illinois
Illinois license E2-5548

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Mr. and Mrs. JOHN THOMPSON
Nelson, Illinois

STEPHEN JEGEL
153 East High Street
Edwardsville, Illinois

C. D. RUGRODEN
306 East Main Street
Sidney, Illinois

R. W. ROGERS
6970 Conn Street
Merrillville, Indiana

K. L. DuMONT
4741 Baltimore
Hammond, Indiana

L. PIGG
Route 1
Terre Haute, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. SPENCER
Star Park
Charles City, Iowa

Mrs. W. W. FREEBERU
19 Colony Drive
Muscatine, Iowa
Iowa license 70-1288

FRED LYKINS
Route 1
Tollesboro, Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. RUDOLPH
330 North 31 Street
Paducah, Kentucky
Kentucky license 558849

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GOLDER KIRK
Benton, Kentucky
Kentucky license KY 9654

Mr. and Mrs. HARRY M. SMITH and sons
65720 Place Road
Richmond, Michigan
Michigan license MG3356

Mrs. CARL A. BEA
Route 2, Box 150
Ironton, Minnesota
Minnesota license MIG 985

CHARLES L. EZELL
3615 Hood Drive
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license T-2038

WOODY BIGGS
906 East College
Clinton, Mississippi

THOMAS GRAYSON
334 Murdock Street
Corinth, Mississippi

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT Y. LAMERE
109 Katherine Drive
Vicksburg, Mississippi

TED M. GOSNELL
4717 Oak Ridge Boulevard
St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. ED GRABEN
36 Frass Street
University City, Missouri

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CARL TRASSER
2521 Tyrell
Jennings, Missouri
License EC1720

GORDON L. MOORE
Columbia, Missouri
Missouri license PS0-393, Mustang

LEROY OLDER
6913 Frostview
Hazelwood, Missouri

ELMER SARGINT
3501 Chevrelet Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri
Missouri license 2147

LOUIS LAFFREDO
8735 17 Avenue
Brooklyn, New York

DAVID MORTON
6851 West Ridge Road
Lorain, Ohio
Ohio license ZV720

WAYMON MICHALL
607 Johndon Street
Savannah, Tennessee
Tennessee license LF 6109

T. O. PANKY
6214 Heather Drive
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license BE5221

TERRY HATCH
999 Wood Long Street
Memphis, Tennessee

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ALBERT DILLON
2221 North Third
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license 1P9688

Mr. and Mrs. ELMER NICHOLS
P. O. Box 931
Selmer, Tennessee

L. N. BURY
Rockvale, Tennessee
(Memphis Silo Company)

PEGGY THOMPSON
306 Ardes Street
Sulphur Springs, Texas
License KE0219

(Name and street illegible)
Hayward, Wisconsin
Wisconsin license T22-361

Mr. GOLDA PEARSON
5036 Fond de Lac Road
Oshkosh, Wisconsin

Mr. and Mrs. S. FOTE
4052 North 91st Street
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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J. H. WICKER, Manager, No-El Motel, Highway 72 East, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, through April 3, 1968. The following individuals were registered during this period:

RED SHARP
Scottsboro, Alabama

B. H. PLEMONS
Box 385
Steele, Alabama
Alabama license 59-1044

J. A. SMELLY
Sheffield, Alabama

VERA ELKINS
Jasper, Alabama
(Olen Mills representative)

L. O. ELLIS
Sheffield, Alabama

C. D. WRIGHT
Box 939
Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. BILL SALMON
Salmon Lane
Harrison, Arkansas

(name illegible)
3530 Minkolo
Sarasota, Florida

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D. H. HATOBETT
Bremen, Georgia
Georgia license 64A591

J. L. YOUNG, Jr.
1002 Forrest Boulevard
Decatur, Georgia

WILLIAM R. PARKER
15 Vine Court
Savannah, Georgia
Georgia license 3-D-889

C. S. CARSON and wife
Route 1
Sadorus, Illinois
Illinois license JE1010, Chevrolet

BOB FORMAN
Evansville, Indiana

Miss MARTHA COSCINO
1205 North Rampart
New Orleans, Louisiana
License 38-B-685

BILL and SANDY FERRELL
Route 1
Grand Junction, Michigan

JAMES D. FERRELL
Grand Junction, Michigan

WALTER PICKWICK
20440 Spencer
Detroit, Michigan

Mr. and Mrs. GALE BUTTERFIELD
118 Palmer Street, Northeast
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Michigan license JA45-70

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LOIS HINDMAN
Parker Road
Corinth, Mississippi

JESSIE CLARK
1202 Meggie Street
Tupelo, Mississippi
Mississippi license 21-726

THOMAS R. SMITH
Route 2
Corinth, Mississippi

JOEL EVANS and TOMMY COWART
2212 Bell Avenue
Columbus, Mississippi

GARY LOWE
2212 Bell Avenue
Columbus, Mississippi

SAMMUEL WILLIAMS
805 Cemetery Street
Corinth, Mississippi

C. T. WALKER
1450 West Capitol Street
Jackson, Mississippi
Mississippi license H-44460

BRICKLE
837 Highland Drive
Las Vegas, New Mexico

Mr. and Mrs. LEIGH KETCH
249 Penfield Road
Rochester, New York
New York license MR 866

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PAULINE BULLARD and G. L. LAWSON
208 East 11th
Wewoka, Oklahoma

CHARLES WALTERS
1505 Vera Cruz
Memphis, Tennessee
Arkansas license B122-34

P. E. BENNETT
3730 Earls Court Road
Memphis, Tennessee

CHARLES T. BROWN
950 Runyan Drive
Chattanooga, Tennessee

THOMAS J. MYRICK
4530 Almo
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license KP 1493

DAVID F. NABORS
412 Old Hickory Boulevard
Nashville, Tennessee

W. H. CARLETON
109 Bellevue
Memphis, Tennessee
Tennessee license KW7890

P.A.S. Talen Company, Incorporated
P. O. Box 349
Trenton, Tennessee

TONY WALKER
301 South Royal
Jackson, Tennessee

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Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH, owner and manager, El-Ray Motel, Highway 45 South, Corinth, Mississippi, made available the motel registration records for the period March 29, 1968, to April 3, 1968. These records reveal the names of guests as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. GRADY THOMPSON
Route 1
Cherokee, Alabama

Mr. and Mrs. R. HOLMES
1571 5th Avenue
Vero Beach, Florida
Florida license 32W-5673, Oldsmobile

JIMMY SINTER
6111 Prushing
Danvers Grove, Illinois

T. W. RICHARDSON
Sims, Illinois

L. L. ROBERTSON
Sims, Illinois

JAMES JOHNSON
Chicago, Illinois
Illinois license IL 4692, Oldsmobile

J. LAMBERT
1508 N. Elk Grove
Chicago, Illinois

BERT YEAGER
4203 S. Sheridan
Zion, Illinois
Illinois license MY8682, Pontiac

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GEORGE FLAYER
LEO WACKER
Marion, Illinois

CHARLES CHOGENGEN
142 Parton Avenue
Calumet City, Illinois
Illinois license 101-101

JIMMY SINTER
6111 Pershing Road
Danvers Grove, Illinois
HN 1228

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. SUMMERS
2033 Broadway
Quincy, Illinois

CLYDE HANCOCK
1807 S. 49th Avenue
Lyons, Illinois

BILLY HANCOCK
8430 45th Street
Lyons, Illinois
Illinois license AR 988, 1964 Pontiac

TALL HUMBERS
212 Cauden Avenue
Michigan City, Indiana

HERSHEL BAINE
512 W. Louisiana Street
Evansville, Indiana
Indiana license 826-512, Chevrolet

J. RICHARD LEE
615 Madison
Gary, Indiana

DAN E. BRYANT and wife
608 Will
Evansville, Indiana

JAMES ROSSO
1330 Delery Street
New Orleans, Louisiana
Louisiana license 106B788
1968 Chevrolet

GENE ARMSTRONG
1401 Airline Highway
New Orleans, Louisiana
Louisiana license 690-345

CHARLES GRUNDY
36 Avonlea Street
Grand Rapids, Michigan

C.A. EVANS
Southern Household
Shubuta, Mississippi

NOEL SIMMONS
AUDLEY PHELPS
University, Mississippi

PAUL W. CHAPPELL
787 Davis Street
Corinth, Mississippi

KENNETH FORD
Route 4
Booneville, Mississippi

AUDIE RAY DAVIS
Fulton, Mississippi

C. S. COX
Jackson, Mississippi
(Standard Oil Company)

C. R. LEONARD
Brookhaven, Mississippi
Mississippi license 23555

B. W. PURGASON
Maston, Mississippi

W. C. SEATON
40 Plaza Square
St. Louis, Missouri

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. DICKINSON
16 St. Rita
Bridgeton, Missouri
Missouri license KG7-506, Mercury

C. RALPH GASCHE
Box 42
Delta, Ohio
Ohio license 9518Y

L. E. PRICE and family
Route 2
Greenville, South Carolina
Ohio license 177190

ROBERT PAYNE
Route 7
Sparta, Tennessee
Tennessee license IT-6780

BILL BARNES
Savannah, Tennessee
Tennessee license 3215

JOHN HAYS
111 State Street
Memphis, Tennessee

Mr. and Mrs. G. JOHNSTON
Box 876
Jackson, Tennessee

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ELMER ALSTON
College Street
Halls, Tennessee

Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM PHILLIPS
Crump, Tennessee
Tennessee license IP8559

ROBERT FARRIS
Dyer, Tennessee
1968 Mustang

LAWRENCE SUMMERS
Denton, Texas

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To: SACs, Birmingham (44-1740)
Jackson (157-9586)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

William Bradford Huie has written a third article for "Look" magazine. The article appears in the issue dated April 15, 1969, but this issue was circulated on April 1, 1969. A review of the article reveals that James Earl Ray allegedly registered at the Travelodge Motel, Five Points, Birmingham, Alabama, on March 29, 1968; at a motel near Florence, Alabama, on April 1, 1968; and at a motel near Corinth, Mississippi, on April 2, 1968. It is to be noted that Ray, using the name Harvey Lowmyer, negotiated the purchase of a rifle at the Aeromarine Supply Company, Birmingham, Alabama, on March 29 and 30, 1968. On April 3, 1968, he was registered at the Rebel Motel in Memphis, Tennessee.

In an effort to establish whether or not Ray was in contact with any individuals immediately prior to the assassination, appropriate investigation should be conducted by the Birmingham and Jackson Offices. It should be understood that there is to be no indication made whatsoever that the following investigation has any connection whatsoever with the case involving James Earl Ray.

Birmingham and Jackson Offices should make inquiries of the motels in or near the cities indicated above to determine the identities of individuals registered during the period March 29 to April 3, 1968. Efforts should be made to identify all individuals listed, as well as

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obtaining descriptions and registrations for the automobiles of such persons. A review of such records might indicate whether any one individual might have accompanied Ray or been in contact with him during this period. Pertinent or questionable registration records should be obtained if possible for examination by the FBI Laboratory.

Memphis should insure that the Bureau is kept currently advised of pertinent developments in this case, particularly all aspects of court action since the death of Judge Battle on March 31, 1969.

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Date: 5/7/69

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)
 FROM: SAC, JACKSON (157-9586)
 SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau airtel, dated 4/7/69; Birmingham airtel to Bureau, dated 4/15/69, and Jackson airtel to Bureau, dated 4/18/69.

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Enclosed for each office, except for Memphis and Birmingham, is one copy of referenced Bureau airtel, dated 4/7/69.

As directed by Bureau, a review of all motel records for the period March 29, to April 3, 1968, of motels in Corinth, Miss., made and the names of those individuals registered at the motels during this period have been obtained, and their names are revealed on appropriate FD-302s. One copy each of the FD-302s, where appropriate, are being submitted to the appropriate offices, as set out below:

FD-302

Division

Mrs. LOUISE BREWER, Mgr.
Round-Town Motel

Birmingham
Chicago
Dallas
Detroit
Indianapolis
Jacksonville
Kansas City
Little Rock
Louisville
Memphis
Miami
Milwaukee
New York
Omaha
St. Louis
Springfield
Tampa

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FD-302

Mr. DON M. STRICKLAND, Mgr.,
Holiday Inn Motel

Division

Atlanta	Miami
Birmingham	Minneapolis
Charlotte	Mobile
Chicago	Newark
Cincinnati	New Haven
Columbia	New Orleans
Dallas	New York
Denver	Oklahoma City
Detroit	Omaha
Houston	Philadelphia
Indianapolis	Richmond
Jacksonville	Salt Lake City
Kansas City	Savannah
Knoxville	Seattle
Little Rock	Springfield
Louisville	Tampa
Memphis	

WALTER COUTURE, Mgr.
Cannoneer Motel

Albany	Minneapolis
Atlanta	Mobile
Birmingham	New Orleans
Cincinnati	New York
Denver	Oklahoma City
Detroit	Omaha
Indianapolis	Philadelphia
Kansas City	Sacramento
Knoxville	St. Louis
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Miami	Springfield
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FD-302

Division

BROOKS PHILLIPS, Owner,
Southern Motel

Atlanta
Birmingham
Charlotte
Chicago
Columbia
Dallas
Kansas City

Little Rock
Louisville
Memphis
Mobile
New Orleans
St. Louis

HOWARD STARNES, Mgr.,
Illinois Motel

Atlanta
Birmingham
Chicago
Cleveland
Dallas
Detroit
Indianapolis
Jacksonville
Kansas City

Knoxville
Little Rock
Memphis
Milwaukee
Mobile
St. Louis
Savannah
Springfield
Tampa

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, Owner,
Phillips Motel

Atlanta
Birmingham
Cleveland
Columbia
Dallas
Detroit
Kansas City
Knoxville

Little Rock
Los Angeles
Memphis
Omaha
Sacramento
St. Louis
San Diego

H. C. FREEMAN, Owner and
Operator, Carona Plaza Motel

Birmingham
Chicago
Cleveland
Dallas
Denver
Houston
Indianapolis
Kansas City
Louisville
Memphis

Miami
Minneapolis
Mobile
Oklahoma City
Omaha
Salt Lake City
San Antonio
Savannah
Springfield

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FD-302

Division

Mrs. FREDDIE GLOVER, Owner,
Merry Acres Motel

Birmingham
Little Rock
Memphis

Milwaukee
Minneapolis
Springfield

Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH,
Owner and Manager,
El-Ray Motel

Birmingham
Chicago
Cleveland
Columbia
Dallas
Detroit

Indianapolis
Memphis
Miami
New Orleans
St. Louis
Springfield

Mr. PAUL HAYES, Mgr.,
Dixie Court

Memphis
Milwaukee

J. H. WICKER, Mgr.,
No-El Motel

Albuquerque
Atlanta
Birmingham
Buffalo
Detroit
Indianapolis
Knoxville

Little Rock
Memphis
New Orleans
Oklahoma City
Savannah
Springfield
Tampa

Mrs. G. N. PRUETTE, Owner,
Teetotum Motel

Memphis

Mrs. BERRY (SHIRLEY) SMITH,
Nite-Fall Motel

Atlanta
Indianapolis
Little Rock
Memphis
Minneapolis

Omaha
Richmond
St. Louis
Springfield

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A Xerox copy of each motel registration has been made by the Jackson Division, and copies of these registrations are being maintained in the bulky exhibit file of Jackson File 157-9586.

It is noted on the registrations that there is registration from Saskatchewan, Canada, at the Round-Town Motel, and a registration from Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, at the Holiday Inn, during the pertinent period. It is being left to the discretion of Memphis, the Office of Origin, as to whether appropriate LHM should be submitted to the Bureau to have these individuals identified in Canada.

The names of those individuals appearing on the motel registrations who reside within the Jackson Division are being identified through indices check in the Jackson Office and appropriate credit and criminal being conducted within the cities in which they indicate they reside.

LEADS:

ALL RECEIVING OFFICES

All offices receiving copies of this communication will review the FD-302s which they have received for names of those individuals who reside within their respective divisions and will review the names through the appropriate office indices and will identify the individual through appropriate credit and criminal check, and if deemed advisable, will interview the individual if there is a possibility of any association with JAMES EARL RAY.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Indianapolis (44-563) (P)

DATE: 5/14/69

FROM : SA BENJAMIN O. KEUTZER

SUBJECT: MURKIN

ReBuairtel to Memphis 4/7/69; Jackson airtel to Memphis 5/7/69.

ReBuairtel sets forth information concerning an article authored by WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE for "Look" magazine, wherein HUIE states JAMES EARL RAY allegedly registered at the Travelodge Motel, Five Points, Birmingham, Alabama, on 3/29/68; at a hotel near Florence, Alabama, on 4/1/68; and at a motel near Corinth, Mississippi, on 4/2/68. It was further pointed out JAMES EARL RAY utilized alias, HARVEY LOWMYER, at purchase of a rifle on 3/29-30/68. On 4/3/68 JAMES EARL RAY was registered at the Rebel Motel in Memphis, Tennessee.

Jackson and Birmingham Divisions were directed to contact motels in or near cities indicated to ascertain identities of individuals registered during 3/29-4/3/68, in effort to determine if one of registrants might have accompanied or contacted JAMES EARL RAY to or at that location.

Re Jackson airtel sets forth names of guests of suspect motels who reside within the Indianapolis Division, as follows:

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TALL HUMBERS
212 Camden Avenue
Michigan City, Indiana

HERSHELL BAINE
512 West Louisiana Street
Evansville, Indiana
Indiana license 826-512 for Chevrolet

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J. RICHARD LEE
615 Madison
Gary, Indiana

*Mr. J.C. Madison
Pastor of Church 609*

DAN E. BRYANT and wife
608 Will
Evansville, Indiana

BOB FORMAN
Evansville, Indiana

JAMES COLLINS
Sheldon, Illinois
Indiana license 7829E

R. W. ROGERS
6970 Conn Street
Merrillville, Indiana

St. Rbt. W. 769-2984

K. L. DU MONT
4741 Baltimore
Hammond, Indiana

✓ NR - Ham 68 + 69.

L. PIGG
Route #1
Terre Haute, Indiana

JAMES STANLEY
90 Suburban Drive
Elkhart, Indiana

HAROLD ROSIER
309 $\frac{1}{2}$ East Carter
Kokomo, Indiana

Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT HUNT
8 Lourst Hill
Crawfordsville, Indiana
Indiana license 54A8415

IP 44-563

FORREST MULLIN
Gosport, Indiana

RONNIE FLANAGAN
79 Webb Street
Hammond, Indiana

*19 Webb - 4-68
NO comment 1157123*

CHARLES F. WHITSON
2700 Linds Drive
New Albany, Indiana
Indiana license 22A2766, Ford

LAWRENCE FINDLEY
Route 4
Seymour, Indiana
Indiana license 36C1501, Chrysler

JOHN R. THORNBERRY
Route 5
Jasper, Indiana
Indiana license 19A5560, Oldsmobile

JAMES WEBSTER
1626 So. Street
Goshen, Indiana
Indiana license 20A654, Pontiac

Each agent receiving leads will identify the individual through logical sources, including credit and criminal, and if appropriate and necessary, will interview to determine any association with JAMES EARL RAY.

Each agent is expected to expeditiously cover each lead assigned and return results of investigation to case agent in insert form suitable for inclusion in report.

LEADS

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At Michigan City, Evansville, Gary, Merrillville, Hammond, Terre Haute, Elkhart, Kokomo, Crawfordsville, Gosport, New Albany, Seymour, Jasper and Goshen, Indiana

Will identify individual residing that area as instructed herein.

FBI

Date: 5/14/69

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

By airtel dated 4/7/69, the Bureau advised that in a third "Look" magazine article, WILLIAM BRADFORD HUIE stated that JAMES EARL RAY had spent the night of 4/2/68 in a motel near Corinth, Miss. The Bureau instructed Jackson to review motel records in and around Corinth to determine the identities of individuals registered there during the period 3/29/68 to 4/3/68. By airtel dated 4/18/69, the Jackson Office advised the Bureau that motel records at Corinth, Miss., had been reviewed under the subject's true name and aliases and had been reviewed for subject's Alabama license number. Nothing identifiable with the subject was located.

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*By Rls 5/19/69, following
 agt's advised despatch, please
 set out by memo of 5/14/69,
 per serial 405.
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By airtel dated 5/7/69, copies of which were not furnished the Bureau, the Jackson Office set out leads for those offices to whom copies of this communication are designated. These offices have been requested to interview several hundred persons who spent the night in motels at Corinth, Miss., on or about 4/2/68.

In view of the fact that more than a year has passed since these persons stayed over night at Corinth, and since similar investigation of this type in this case has previously been unproductive, and since HUIE has admitted that RAY frequently is untruthful in statements to him, and further since it is not believed that it is of any particular importance to establish whether or not JAMES EARL RAY stayed over night at Corinth on 4/2/68, all offices will disregard the leads set out in Jackson airtel dated 5/7/69, unless specifically advised by the Bureau to cover same.

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

6/19/69

SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (44-563) (RUC)

MURKIN

Re Jackson airtel to Memphis, 5/7/69 and Memphis airtel to the Bureau, 5/4/69.

In absence of instruction to conduct investigation set forth in referenced airtel dated 5/7/69, Indianapolis Division is conducting no further investigation in this matter and is considering it RUC.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Indianapolis (88-7718) -P*-
(44-Murkin) DATE: 7/2/69

FROM : SA Donald H. Kidd 44-563

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: Memphis

DOUGLAS RALPH MC EWEN, Aka;
UFAP - Armed Robbery
OO: Indianapolis
Bufile: 88-44069

Re Jackson letter to Indianapolis, dated 3/24/69,
entitled DOUGLAS RALPH MC EWEN, Aka; UFAP-Armed
Robbery, OO: IP.

On 7/1/69, DOUGLAS RALPH MC EWEN, Aka, Tom
Mc Ewen who is presently at Wayne County Jail,
Richmond, Indiana, requested to see SA Donald H.
Kidd. This individual was furnished with a
Warning and Waiver Form which he refused to execute.
However, MC EWEN volunteered information all of
which has been recorded in an FD 302 and furnished
to Indianapolis file 88-7718. One copy of this
FD 302 is being furnished to the Jackson Division
inasmuch as MC EWEN furnished some information re
a possible bank burglary in the Jackson Division.

The following information is being recorded
and furnished to the MURKIN file only because of
the need to make this interview a matter of record.

On 7/1/69, MC EWEN advised that he had been
incarcerated at the Sheriff's Office Jail, Oxford,
Mississippi, for a period of 16 months fighting
extradition to the State of Indiana where armed
robbery charges are pending against him.

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MC EWEN advised further that while at Oxford, Mississippi, he had met another inmate known as HUGH POLK of Vance, Mississippi, who was now serving time at Atlanta, Georgia, for either a post office or bank burglary. On one occasion POLK informed MC EWEN that the murder of MARTIN LUTHER KING was not what it appeared to be. POLK advised MC EWEN that on one occasion he (POLK) had been approached to kill MARTIN LUTHER KING, but he had refused to do this. Allegedly, KING was supposed to have been murdered in the State of Mississippi.

MC EWEN also advised that JAMES EARL RAY did not actually kill MARTIN LUTHER KING, but someone from the State of Mississippi did.

Ray Called U.S. 'Victim'

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

HAMMOND — The attorney for James Earl Ray says he will request a hearing this week which could lead to a new trial for the convicted killer of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The trial would produce evidence that the federal government was behind King's slaying at a Memphis motel two years ago, lawyer J. B. Stoner of Savannah, Ga. claims.

Stoner and Ray's brother, Jerry William Ray, were in U.S. District Court here Friday for the sentencing of a reputed Ku Klux Klansman on charges of assaulting a federal officer.

Stoner heads, and Ray is a member of, a white-supremacy group based in Savannah.

Stoner says the petition for a post-conviction hearing will be filed Monday or Tuesday in the Shelby County Criminal Court at Memphis.

HE AND Ray planned to drive to a maximum security prison at Petros, Tenn., near Knoxville, during the weekend to get James Earl Ray's signature on the petition.

Stoner says the petition will be based on Ray's "inhumane" treatment while Ray was in the Shelby County Jail for nine months after his arrest in London in June 1968.

Rev. King was assassinated April 4, 1968 as he stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel.

The killer fired the rifle shot from the bathroom window of a flophouse across the street and fled, touching off the most intensive manhunt in modern American history.

Stoner says James Earl Ray was kept under constant surveillance by two guards, a closed-circuit television camera and sound devices.

Lights were kept on so that Ray would not know whether it was night or day, Stoner claims.

He says Ray was also deprived of legal counsel because his first two lawyers had contracts with author William Bradford Huie to publish exclusive information on Ray.

Stoner says the government has been the "main force working to keep him (Ray) from getting a new trial" since his guilty plea "under coercion" and conviction without a hearing March 10, 1969.

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THE GOVERNMENT fears if Ray is granted another trial facts will come out showing the government's part in killing King, Stoner says.

Ray was quickly sentenced to 99 years in prison and sent to the Tennessee state prison at Nashville the next day where he was held until about two weeks ago.

Stoner cites "certain agencies and officials of the federal government" as responsible in the plot.

He says King was heavily guarded by FBI agents while in Memphis because the government planned to kill him.

"There definitely was a conspiracy and they needed someone to cover up for those who were really guilty, so the federal government selected Mr. Ray to be the one," Stoner says.

Stoner says he is also looking into a link between King's death and that of his brother, the Rev. A. D. King last year in a supposed swimming-pool drowning.

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Assassin's Kin Held

Savannah, Ga. (UPI) — Police yesterday held Jerry Ray, brother of assassin James Earl Ray and campaign mana-

ger for gubernatorial candidate J. B. Stoner, for investigation in the shooting of a 16-year-old Nazi.

Ray was held for investigation of aggravated assault. The youth was in serious condition in a local hospital but police would not, under law, divulge his name, since they had placed a hold on him for suspicion of theft.

CHATHAM County Superintendent of Detectives Al St. Lawrence said Ray told him he shot the youth Saturday night when he discovered him trying to make off with a box of records from the headquarters of Stoner's white-supremacist National States Rights Party.

Stoner could not be reached for comment.

"There are still some circumstances surrounding this investigation that need to be looked into," said St. Lawrence. He said the youth, from Athens, Ala., had worked for Stoner's party for about a month.

The detective said the youth was a member of the National Socialist White People's Party—one of the names used by the American Nazi Party.



JERRY RAY

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FROM DIRECTOR (100-106670)

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. BUDED AUGUST 9, 1976

FOR INFORMATION OF RECIPIENTS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL (AG) HAS ORDERED A REVIEW OF THE FBI'S INVESTIGATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING. ASSIGNED TO CONDUCT THIS REVIEW IS A TASK FORCE WORKING UNDER DIRECTION OF THE OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY (OPR) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THE ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS INDICATED THE REVIEW IS TO RESOLVE THE FOLLOWING FOUR QUESTIONS: (1) WAS THE FBI INVESTIGATION OF KING'S ASSASSINATION THOROUGH AND HONEST? (2) IS THERE ANY EVIDENCE THE FBI WAS INVOLVED IN THE ASSASSINATION? (3) IS THERE ANY NEW EVIDENCE WHICH HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DEPARTMENT CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION? (4) DOES THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE BUREAU AND KING CALL FOR CRIMINAL PROSECUTIONS, DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION?

THIS REVIEW IS A CONTINUATION OF A "PARTIAL REVIEW" RECENTLY

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CONDUCTED BY THE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT UNDER DIRECTION OF ASSISTANT AG J. STANLEY POTTINGER. ALL PERSONNEL ON THE TASK FORCE ARE AUTHORIZED TOTAL ACCESS TO OUR FILES PERTAINING TO KING'S ASSASSINATION, OUR INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION OF KING AND ANY FILES RELATING TO BASIS FOR THESE INVESTIGATIONS. THIS WILL INCLUDE COVER PAGES OF COMMUNICATIONS CONTAINING IDENTITIES OF SOME FBI SOURCES AND INFORMANTS WHO WERE NOT AFFORDED SYMBOL NUMBERS AT THAT TIME AND INDIVIDUALS WHO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED CONFIDENTIALITY.

TO DATE THE TASK FORCE HAS REVIEWED FBIHQ AND WFO FILES CONCERNING THE ASSASSINATION OF KING CAPTIONED "MURKIN, BUREAU FILE 44-33861. TASK FORCE MEMBERS HAVE TRAVELED TO MEMPHIS, MILWAUKEE, KANSAS CITY, OMAHA, SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES AND REVIEWED MURKIN AND INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATION FILES OF THOSE OFFICES. FUTURE TRAVEL BY THE TASK FORCE IS PLANNED FOR ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, CHARLOTTE, CHICAGO, NEW ORLEANS, NEW YORK, SPRINGFIELD AND ST. LOUIS.

AFTER ABOVE TRAVEL IS COMPLETED AND KING RELATED SECURITY FILES AT FBIHQ ARE REVIEWED, THE TASK FORCE WILL HAVE SEEN THE MAJORITY OF SERIALS IN OUR FILES RELATING TO THE KING INVESTIGATIONS. HOWEVER, SINCE IT IS THE GOAL OF THE TASK FORCE TO REVIEW KING RELATED FILES IN EVERY FIELD OFFICE, IT WILL BE