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SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) -P-

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| PD Tulsa Okla               | Morris R. McCarver #28054     | 5-20-51              | 2nd deg burg                                             | TOT Co 5-22-51                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| SO Tulsa Okla               | Morris R. McCarver #21535     | 6-13-51              | att 2nd deg burg                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| SP Gould Ark                | Morris McCarver #45676        | 4-10-52              | invol manslaughter                                       | 6 mos<br>9-4-52 rel                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| PD Chula Vista Calif        | Morris R. McCarver #CV#3166q  | 8-31-55              | drk dr vio of Basic speed law                            | \$125.00 fine for drk dr & \$50 fir for Vio of Basic Speed Law.                                                                                                                                                        |
| PD Holtville Calif          | Morris B McCarver #2060       | 11-8-55              | 502 CVC (drk dr)                                         | 100 da or \$200. serving                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| PD Santa Monica Calif       | Morris R. McCarver #43953     | 7-15-63              | 647f PC (intox)                                          | bail forf \$21                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| PD Santa Monica Calif       | Morris R. McCarver #CR 43953  | 11-29-63             | 647-F PC (intox)                                         | F \$25 & 4 or 5 das Co JL                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| SO Santa Ana Calif          | Morris Ralph McCarver #109484 | 3-27-64              | drk in pub \$25 & \$4 POT or 5 das CPC 647f (drk in pub) | holding for Santa Ana PD com on chg of N.A. B/F                                                                                                                                                                        |
| PD South Gate Calif         | Morris R. McCarver #A 41024   | 5-20-64              | plain drk                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| PD Huntington Park Calif    | Morris R. McCarver #A 10975   | 7-25-64              | batt                                                     | Since neither fingerprints nor an identifying number which is indexed in our files accompanied your request, FBI cannot guarantee in any manner that this material concerns the individual in whom you are interested, |
| SO Sacramento Calif         | Morris McCarver #50051        | 1-20-65              | 242 PC (Batt) Enrt LA SO                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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| SO<br>Los Angeles<br>Calif  | Morris R<br>McCarver<br>#C-188636    | 1-22-65              | battery                                                                             |                          |
| SO<br>Tulsa Okla            | Morris R.<br>McCarvr<br>#21535       | 8-11-67              | omitting to<br>provide                                                              |                          |
| PD<br>Tulsa Okla            | Morris R.<br>McCarver<br>#28054      | 8-10-67              | warrant omitting<br>to provide                                                      | Tulsa Co                 |
| PD Tulsa Okla               | Morris R McCar<br>McCarver<br>#28054 | 8-29-67              | St 1272 carrying<br>concealed weapon                                                |                          |

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**Description and Related Data:**

Race: White

Sex: Male

Height: 72"

Weight: 190

Hair: Black

Eyes: Brown

Date and Place of Birth:  Collinsville Oklahoma

Scars and Marks: diag ct sc between Tip Rt index eyes 1" vert ct finger  
ampt rt uper lip and left corner of mouth

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It would appear that if the information must be disseminated to outside sources, such as the Memphis PD, it would be safer to disseminate the information verbally and not make mention of MORRIS R. McCARVER or the offer made to him by WHITNER.

UACB, Butte Division will not set information out in a form suitable for dissemination, as to do so might very possibly jeopardize the life of McCARVER.

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To: SACs, Butte (173-2) - Enclosure  
Kansas City - Enclosures (2)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Based upon available data, Bureau files contain no information identifiable with Gordon Whitner.

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A copy of referenced communication is enclosed for Kansas City. It is noted that according to McCarver, he admitted himself to the State Hospital, Topeka, Kansas, in 1962, and was under the care of Doctor Shaker for three months. Kansas City should determine the hospital in which McCarver was confined, and all pertinent information surrounding his confinement including the reason for confinement and diagnosis.

A copy of an arrest record for one Morris R. McCarver under FBI #743 063 A is enclosed for the information of Butte, Kansas City and Memphis.

Based upon available data, Bureau files contain no information identifiable with Gordon Whitner.

**1 - Memphis - Enclosure**

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SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) - P -

MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS

Re Kansas City airtel to Director 2/7/69.

On 4/22/69, Mr. KARL RAPP was interviewed at his office, 208 Nichols Road, Kansas City, Missouri. RAPP advised he had just returned from a vacation in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, and is now residing at 103rd and Mores Road, Overland Park, Kansas.

RAPP advised that he could furnish no information regarding JAMES EARL RAY, or any conspiracy against MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.; however, he did furnish the following information regarding HEINZ MANGER whom he met in Puerto Vallarta during 1965. RAPP advised that he and his family were vacationing there and they met MANGER at the Hotel Coronada in Puerto Vallarta. They became friendly and had dinner and drinks together on several occasions. MANGER advised them that he had been a former Colonel in the German Army and served under General ROMMEL in the desert of North Africa.

RAPP remembered one incident that took place down there; they bought a painting from a local artist and MANGER wrote on back of the canvas, "To my good friends from HEINZ MANGER." RAPP advised that his wife showed this painting to a Reverend DALE POLLOCK, Kansas City, Missouri, and POLLOCK reportedly determined from a handwriting comparison that HEINZ MANGER was a former SS General by the name of HEINZ MULLER. RAPP could not elaborate on this.

RAPP further advised that when he left Mexico in 1965, he was contemplating purchasing some property in the area of Puerto Vallarta, and for this reason, maintained correspondence with a JOHN MATHIESON, a retired American living in the area. MATHIESON was in his 70's but periodically wrote letters to RAPP. RAPP stated that in a letter written January, 1967, MATHIESON stated that HEINZ MANGER had left Puerto Vallarta and was no longer living in the area. A subsequent letter determined that he had moved to Guadalajara.

2 - Director (RM)  
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)  
2 - Kansas City

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RAPP stated that the visit this year was the first time that they had been back to Puerto Vallarta since 1965, and JOHN MATHIESON was no longer living there, nor was HEINE MANGER, and their whereabouts was unknown to him. RAPP felt that inasmuch as MANGER left Puerto Vallarta before January, 1967, he could not have been there during the time JAMES EARL RAY was in Puerto Vallarta.

RAPP advised that he would like to help the Bureau in any way possible, and any information that comes to his attention, he will immediately contact the Kansas City Office.

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

4/29/69

SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) - P -

MURKIN

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2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)  
2 - Kansas City  
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KC 44-760

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

4/30/69

SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760) P

MURKIN  
CR

Reference Bureau airtel to Butte, 4/23/69.

Enclosed herewith is one copy of Kansas City letter to Memphis dated 4/18/69 which reflects results of investigation requested by Butte in interoffice communication.

Enclosure contains results of investigation requested in referenced communication, therefore, no additional investigation regarding MC CARVER is being conducted at this time WACB or by Memphis.

2-Bureau (Enc. 1) (RM)  
1-Memphis (44-1987) (RM)  
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**MURKIN  
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**2-Bureau (Enc. 1) (RM)  
1-Memphis (44-1987) (RM)  
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SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760)

4/30/69

SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (44-563) (RUC)

MURKIN

Re Kansas City letter to Memphis, 3/7/69.

The following investigation was conducted by  
SA JOHN D. BURROUGHS, JR.:

On 4/21/69, JAMES DEVLIN, Records Officer at  
the United States Penitentiary, Terre Haute, Indiana,  
advised that FRED ALEXANDER MICHAELSON was formerly confined  
under number 26656-TH, however he was recently transferred  
to the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

LEAD

KANSAS CITY: AT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS

At USP, will interview MICHAELSON for all  
possible information concerning MURKIN and other possible  
matters.

② - Kansas City  
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)  
1 - Indianapolis  
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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/24/69

1

BROOKS PHILLIPS, Owner, Southern Motel, Highway 72 West, 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:

GLEN M. SWICEGOOD  
501 South Cherokee Avenue  
Dothan, Alabama  
(Foreign Mission Board, Southern Baptist Convention)

F. C. MCGINNIS  
125 Lake Drive, Northeast  
Birmingham, Alabama  
Alabama license 1-56569, Chevrolet

J. A. SMELLEY  
Sheffield, Alabama

L. O. ELLIS  
Sheffield, Alabama

JACK CORNELIUS  
413 Tia Juania Street  
Muscle Shoals, Alabama

EARL CRAWFORD  
Route 4  
El Dorado, Arkansas  
Arkansas license J-5092 (truck)

ERVIN SHERWOOD  
118 South Harrison  
DeWitt, Arkansas

44-160-1291

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W. S. BLOUNT  
3496 Lenardo Drive, S.W.  
Atlanta, Georgia  
(Wright Contracting Company)

R. C. BOBO  
212 North West  
Waukegan, Illinois

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. GRACE  
2920 Grail  
Wichita, Kansas

GEORGE WALKER  
14 Hilby Road  
Louisville, Kentucky  
License J29-270, Chevrolet

Mr. and Mrs. M. PLATT  
P. O. Box 163  
Angola, Louisiana

JOHN D. SMITH  
2334 Coronet Place  
Jackson, Mississippi

M. COLEMAN  
9764 McCoughan Avenue  
Long Beach, Mississippi

SHIRLEY JACKSON  
4 Elm Street  
Natchez, Mississippi

JIMMIE L. KIMERY  
Byhalia, Mississippi  
License 47-504, 1965 Dodge

JAMES L. TERPO  
214 Pollard  
Batesville, Mississippi  
License 54-1293, 1966 Plymouth

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JAMES E. SWOPE  
Box 97  
University, Mississippi

Reverend WILSON W. BOGGAN  
Box 643  
Lucedale, Mississippi  
George County Baptist Association

JAMES E. WASHBURN  
Caruthersville, Missouri

TOMMY LEE JONES  
P. O. Box 5552  
Raleigh, North Carolina

JOE BEE (illegible) and family  
34 Clemson Drive  
Aiken, South Carolina

SAM NORRIS  
56 North McLean  
Memphis, Tennessee

JOE N. SMITH  
Memphis, Tennessee

OLIVER HENDERSON  
4050 Kenach  
Memphis, Tennessee

FLOYD PALMER  
427 North Graham  
Memphis, Tennessee  
License PB 9481

ELIZABETH TRULY  
130 North Willomet  
Dallas, Texas

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, KANSAS CITY (44-760)

DATE: 4/30/69

FROM : SAC, INDIANAPOLIS (44-563) (RUC)

*J. m.*  
SUBJECT: MURKIN

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## LEAD

KANSAS CITY: AT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS

At USP, will interview MICHAELSON for all possible information concerning MURKIN and other possible matters.

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2 - Kansas City  
1 - Memphis (44-1987) (Info)  
1 - Indianapolis  
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Date 4/24/69

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, Owner, Phillips Motel, Highway 72 West, 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:

H. C. SMITH  
1725 30 Avenue North  
Birmingham, Alabama  
Alabama license 52P173

J. C. BEELER  
Huntsville, Alabama  
(Southern Railway Company)

LLOYD HOWARD  
404 Nixon Street  
Albertville, Alabama

J. H. MAULDIN  
5100 North 13th Avenue  
Birmingham, Alabama

DONALD ROYER  
Black Oak, Arkansas

W. HOWELL  
Little Rock, Arkansas

AARON DECKER  
Route 1  
Viola, Arkansas

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DON BALLENGER  
Route 2, Box 1025  
Vacaville, California  
California license VJM917

ROBERT NORDINL  
815 Pismo Court  
San Diego, California  
California license WJV225

ROBERT ANDERS  
9588 Camuhos  
Montclair, California

A. W. BREWER  
1107 Byron Street  
Bainbridge, Georgia

GERALD SMITH  
Fort Dodge, Iowa

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. STYERS, Sr.  
1808 West Main  
Chanute, Kansas

JAMES B. FERRELL  
Grand Junction, Michigan

BILL and SANDY FERRELL  
Route 1  
Grand Junction, Michigan

J. D. TOMPKINS  
Kosciusko, Mississippi

SHELBY GLIDEWELL  
Gainesville, Missouri

W. O. CONNACE  
4721 Willow Avenue  
Lorain, Ohio  
Indiana license 13459C

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SAM MITCHELL  
Box 893  
Charleston, South Carolina  
South Carolina license 40868

AUBREY S. LYOND  
Center Street  
Collierville, Tennessee  
Tennessee license K02358

G. W. GILES  
113 Spence Street  
Athens, Tennessee  
Tennessee license E26464

FREDDIE DAVIS  
Route 4  
Portland, Tennessee

C. L. (illegible)  
3095 Lamar  
Memphis, Tennessee

B. R. CHAMBLESS  
Dallas, Texas  
Texas license 454818

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

1

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

44-110-1299

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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

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 4/24/69

1

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 Edgemoor Drive, Southeast  
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

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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7

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

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)

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Date 4/24/69

WALTER COUTURE, Manager, Cannoneer Motel,  
Highway 45 South, 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:

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