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Bureau File Number NN-38861

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4/22/68

Airtel

To: SAC's, Chicago (44-1114)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Chicago teletype 4/17/68.

The remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impressions in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Thomas George Mising. No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Mising.

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SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) 4/23/68

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

MURKIN
CR

Re Mobile airtel to Memphis and Atlanta 4/19/68 regarding investigation to interview former recovers at 107 14th Street, Atlanta.

The investigative inserts which were furnished to Memphis are herewith enclosed for Atlanta. Since this pertains to investigation originated at Atlanta, it is requested that Atlanta include this insert in their next report.

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2-Atlanta (Encs. 25)
1-Mobile (157-2627) (INFO)
1-Memphis
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SAC, CHICAGO 4/22/68

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

MURKIN
CR

(OO Memphis)

Re Chicago letter to Memphis dated 4/12/68 captioned, "POSSIBLE RACIAL VIOLENCE, MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE," CGfile #157-2712, by means of which Memphis was furnished one roll of exposed, undeveloped film and one reel of recorded tape.

Both the tape and the undeveloped film are being returned to Chicago for whatever use or disposition they deem advisable.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Chicago (Encs 2) (RM)
1 - Memphis
JCH:mnr
(3)

FILE

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4-22-68

Airtel

To: SAC'S, Miami (44-1854)
Memphis (44-1987)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

Re Miami airtel 4-17-68, submitting palm prints of SA David N. Jellison and fingerprints and palm prints of Kathryn Hobson for elimination purposes.

Latent prints previously reported on the evidence submitted by the Miami Office, Q124 through Q126, are not identical with the palm prints of SA Jellison or the fingerprints and palm prints of Hobson. The palm prints of SA Jellison are being retained permanently in Latent Fingerprint Section. Fingerprints and palm prints of Hobson are being retained temporarily in the Latent Fingerprint Section.

1 - Birmingham (44-1740)
1 - Cleveland (44-565)

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4/22/68

AIR TEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (44-[illegible]) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: Cincinnati Teletype to the Bureau, with copy to Newark, 4/19/68
Newark Teletype to the Bureau, 4/[illegible]/68

The following evidence is being furnished by Newark to the Bureau under separate cover:

This evidence was furnished to the Newark Division by CARY S. GOODMAN on 4/20/68.

One white shirt, Manhattan manufacturer, size 15½

On 4/20/68, CARY S. GOODMAN, age 17, 38 Birkendene Road, Caldwell, N. J., advised that on the early morning of 4/19/68, at Port Columbus International Airport, Columbus, Ohio, he and two traveling companions encountered an unknown male individual who very closely resembled the newspaper photo of ERIC STARVO GALT. The unknown male approached a companion of GOODMAN, [illegible] WEISZ, and requested to buy a shirt from him whereupon [illegible] sold the unknown male a brown yellow plain shirt. The unknown male removed the white shirt he was wearing, discarded it in a locker at the Airport, and GOODMAN obtained the shirt, which is enclosed.

4-Bureau (1-enclosure)(AirMail;Regis.Mail)
(1-[illegible] change)
1-Cincinnati (Info.)
1-Memphis (Info.)
2-Newark
GRD:emt
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The enclosed shirt is furnished to the Laboratory for any examination deemed necessary by the Bureau.

Please furnish Cincinnati results of examination.

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F B I

Date: 4/22/68

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

Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re Birmingham teletype to Bureau, et al, dated 4/11/68.

On 4/11/68, investigation at Atlanta by SAs JOHN F. LEUCK and KENNETH R. HEINEMAN reflected that there are three persons in Atlanta and surrounding vicinity who may possibly be identical with the DANIEL or DAVID LEE SMITH who may have resided at Economy Room Housing at Birmingham during October of 1967. It is to be further noted there is no such address as 708 South 80th Street in Atlanta which is the address listed by SMITH at which time he resided at Economy Room Housing in Birmingham.

The following persons were contacted by SAs LEUCK and HEINEMAN:

On 4/11/68, Mrs. DANIEL SMITH, Route #2, Box 969, White City Road, Atlanta, Georgia, advised that her husband, who is a Negro male, has not been out of Atlanta for the past two years.

3 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Birmingham (44-1740) (RM)
(2) - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
2 - Atlanta
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Approved: ______________________ Sent ____________ M Per ____________
Special Agent in Charge

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On 4/11/68, Mr. DANIEL J. SMITH, 2328 Campbellton Road, Apartment D-3, S. W., Atlanta, advised that he has been teaching music in an Atlanta High School since 1964 and was not in Birmingham, Alabama, during October of 1967. He further advised he has never heard of Economy Room Housing in Birmingham and has never resided there.

On the same date, Mr. DANIEL B. SMITH, JR. was contacted at the phone number of 284-5565 as he has moved from the address of 2324 Glenrock Drive, Decatur, Georgia, where he formerly resided. He advised that he apparently is not the correct SMITH as he has never resided at Economy Room Housing in Birmingham, Alabama.

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20537

TO: **SAC, MEMPHIS**

Date **4-21-68**

MURKIN

Your inquiry
Tel - SAC, SI
4-20-68

- [ ] Attached furnished in reply to your inquiry.
- [x] Attached furnished in compliance with request from **SAC, Springfield**
- [ ] Only record available attached.
- [ ] This matter is receiving attention and you will be advised at an early date.
- [ ] Supplementing FBI Laboratory report dated
- [ ] Records FBI #
  are furnished since there is a possibility that one may pertain to the subject in whom you are interested.
- [ ] Fingerprint files fail to disclose
- [ ] Confirming FBI wire of
- [ ] A wanted notice has not been placed as subject appears to be in custody.
- [ ] When you no longer desire your notice maintained, please advise.
- [ ] If you determine subject to be in custody, please advise so that your notice may be canceled.
- [ ] Subject of your inquiry searched in name indices only. Enclosed record(s) possibly identical. If identical, resubmit request and wanted (or flash) notice will be placed.
- [ ] If it is determined that the subject of this record is not the individual in whom you are interested, please advise.
- [ ] Your communication is returned.
- [ ]

XX Enc. 1
XX Copy to: **SAC'S, AT, BH, CG, KC, SF, SL, SI**

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Form T-2

APR 21 1968

The following is the record of FBI number 768642

J. E. Hoover
Director.

CONTRIBUTOR OF FINGERPRINTS	NAME AND NUMBER	ARRESTED OR RECEIVED	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
Special Agent, Chicago and Alton RR., Kansas City, Mo	William Edward Maher, #--	10-15-33	robb., 1st. deg.- auto theft- aslt. to kill	
SP, Jefferson City, Mo., #--	William Maher, #721, St. Intermediate Ref., Algoa, Mo.	11-22-33	robb., 1st. deg.	10 yrs.
ONI, Wash., D. C. MID, Wash., D. C.	William Edward Maher, #1203	applicant for position, Laclede Steel Co., Alton, Ill., 4-2-41		
Naval Government (Guam PD) San Fran Calif	William Edward Maher #3791	6-19-49	susp of drunken driving & dist the peace	$125 fine $10 costs 6-20-49
PD Alton Ill	William Edard Maher #7473	6-2-51	intox	fined & rel
PD St Louis Mo	William Edward Maher #--	2-6-54	invest	
PD Quincy Ill	William Edward Maher #--	3-15-57	OMVWI	pd $230.30

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D.C., 20537

APR 21 1968

J. Edgar Hoover
Director.

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The following FBI record, NUMBER 768 642, is furnished FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

All descriptive factors (if any) furnished by you match those in our identification file unless herein quoted.

DESCRIPTION AND RELATED DATA:

Race: white

Sex: male

Height: 6'2"

Weight: 210

Hair: brown & gray

Eyes: blue

Date and Place of Birth: [redacted], Bridgeton, New Jersey

Scars & Marks: 2" ct scar on right cheek, cut scars on bridge of nose. Impediment of speech. Both ears stand out well from head. 4" cut scar left forearm outer near wrist.

Address: 3-15-57 listed as 1118 East 7th St. Alton, Illinois

Occupation: sign board advertising and painter, laborer

Information shown [illegible] data furnished FBI by fingerprint contributors. [illegible] ed, communicate with [illegible]
Notations indicated by [illegible] s investigative leads as being possibly identical w[illegible]

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4/20/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, BALTIMORE

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN - CR
(OO:ME)

At 8:00 p.m., 4/19/68, LESTER L. KIMBLE (retired Lt. in the U.S. Navy) who resides at Box 109, Clarksburg, Maryland, telephone number 301-926-3522, furnished SA LOUIS A. CRESCIOLI the following information:

At 7:30 p.m. on 4/19/68, KIMBLE was in the Midway Diner, which is located on the left hand side of Maryland Route Number 355, as you go north from Gaithersburg, Maryland. The owner of this diner, who is about 40 years old, six feet tall, dark hair, medium build, 190 lbs., and sallow complexion, resembles the photo of ERIC STARVO GALT. The owner's name is unknown to KIMBLE.

KIMBLE requested that his identity not be revealed as the source of the above information.

Baltimore, at Gaithersburg, Maryland, will conduct appropriate investigation re owner of Midway Diner.

Above data telephonically furnished to Steno PAT ROWLAND of BA Office at 8:17 a.m. on 4/20/68 by SA TOLLEF JACOBSON, JR., of WFO.

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2-Baltimore
1-Memphis
1-WFO

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4/29/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

SUBJECT: MUNKIN

Re Chicago teletype dated 4/19/68.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and interested offices is one Xerox copy of the file re JAMES E. RAY, Inmate Number 10121 dated 7/9/58, from the IDP, Pontiac, Illinois. Also enclosed is one copy of the Chicago Police Department file re JAMES RAY. In addition, there is enclosed a Xerox copy of the Cook County Jail inmate card dated 6/13/62, re JAMES E. RAY.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Bureau (Enc. 3) made 1
1 - Memphis (Enc. 3) (44-1987)
1 - Birmingham (44-1740) (Enc. 3)
1 - Springfield (Enc. 3) (44-861)
1 - Kansas City (44-760) (Enc. 3)
1 - Atlanta (44-2326) (Enc. 3)
1 - Chicago

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CODE No. 060 | SURNAME (Print) RAY | FULL GIVEN NAME & MIDDLE INITIAL (Print) JAMES

ALIAS IN FULL | ARRESTED BY DIST. BUR.

ADDRESS 853 Fullerton | BOOKED AT DIST. BUR.

MALE / FEMALE | AGE | WEIGHT | HEIGHT ... Ft. ... In. | MARKS, SCARS, ETC.

COLOR White / Negro / Other | COMPLEXION Light / Ruddy / Dark | BUILD Slender / Medium / Stout | COLOR OF EYES Black / Blue / Brown / Gray | COLOR OF HAIR Black / Gray / Brown / Blond / Red

MARRIED / SINGLE | NATIVITY | DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH 3/10/28 Alton Ill. | CITIZEN / NON CITIZEN

OCCUPATION | WHERE EMPLOYED | SOCIAL SECURITY No.

HOW LONG A RESIDENT OF CHICAGO? | WERE PRINTS TAKEN Yes / No | GROUP PHOTO No. | B. OF I. No.

ADDRESS OF ARREST

TIME AND DATE OF ARREST A.M. P.M. | TIME AND DATE BOOKED A.M. P.M. | TIME AND DATE RELEASED ON BOND A.M. P.M.

ARRESTING OFFICERS

CHARGES PREFERRED | CHARGE CHANGED TO

COURT BRANCH | DATE OF TRIAL | CONTINUANCES

No. 334468 RECORD OF ARREST Form UP-41 200M 2202

INVESTIGATING OFFICERS | ASSIGNED BY

ARRESTED WITH NAME | ADDRESS

WHY ARRESTED (GIVE BRIEF FACTS) Conspl. Robbery

SUMMONS NOS.

COMPLAINANTS—NAMES, ADDRESSES AND PHONE NOS.

1.

2. EARL DOCKERY 1015 N. CLARK

3.

COURT DISPOSITION | FINED $ | COSTS $ | DATE | JUDGE

HELD TO GRAND JURY BOND | DATE | CT. BR. | JUDGE

FUGITIVE | BROUGHT FROM | RETURNED TO | WRITTEN BY

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N. B. MAY 9 1952 Prev. No. Reg. No D 90696

S. B. MAY 9 - 1952 19

Group Date of Arrest 5-6-52 19

NAME JAMES RAY Alias

Residence 853 W. FULLERTON AVE

FOREHEAD Incln	Age 24	Height 5'10	96696
Height	Nativity Ind.	Outs. Arms	
Width	Occupation LAB.	Trunk	
Pecul	Weight 150	HEAD Length	
	Chin REG.	Width	
NOSE Ridge	Beard NONE	Cheekbones	
Base	Hair MED CH	R. EAR Ear Lgth	
Root	Comp FAIR	Pecul	
Length	Married NO	L. Foot	
Project	Teeth FULL	L. M. finger	
Breadth	Build MED	L. I. finger	
Pecul	Held G.J. $3000.00	Forearm	
	Judge HARTIGAN	Remarks	
COLOR OF LEFT EYE Circle Blue	Officer GREEN & McDONOUGH		
Periph, z	District 25		
Pecul	Remarks		

ASSIGNED BY NAME ONLY

Crime ROBBERY (GUN) Measured by Hutton

Wuchterl

NO.	MARKS, SCARS, MOLES, ETC.
I	GUN SHOT WOUND IN F.A.
II.	Nil
III	Nil

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No. D-90696

Name James Ray

Charge Robbery (Gun).

ISSUED ON INQUIRY BY NAME

90696

May 9, 1952, Held over to Grand Jury, $3,000.00 Bond.
Judge Hartigan.

Arr. Offs. Green & McDonough, 35th Dist.

WITNESSES

Complainant Louis Knox, 6945 N. Paulina St.,

Trial before Judge Crowley 6-4-52. 6-13-52. Joliet Pen #32419 Robb. 1-2 yrs. Plea Gl. Robb.
Trans. 7-7-52. to S.O. Pontiac, Ill. #19121
FBI #306443-A Disch. 3-12-54 Exp. of Sent.

PREVIOUS RECORD

As James Carl. Ray. 10-11-49 S.O. Los Angeles Calif Susp Burg. 8 mos. Co J
Susp. 2 yrs Prob 1st 90 day Co J

4-18-50 S.O. Cedar Rapids Ia Vag.

7-23-51 Alton Ill. No Oper Dr Lic Cty Lic rel to pay later

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WANTED
BY Alton, Ill. F.B.I.
DATE Aug. 26 1959
CHARGE Robbery Armed
CANCELLED ..... 19...

DB File
#57-2589

WANTED
BY Missouri State
Jefferson City Mo.
JUN 25 1967
CHARGE
Escaped Convict
WARRANT REGISTER NO.

J.C. 64

WANTED
BY FBI
PER FBI BULL. NOV. 67
UNIT DATE
12 Dec 67
CHARGE
Unlawful flt to avoid confinement (Robb)
WARRANT REGISTER NO.

JC.64

ISSUED ON INQUIRY BY NAME OR FBI NO. ONLY

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RS

[illegible]

STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF THE CRIMINOLOGIST
[illegible] UNIT

SUP'T OF PRISONS
SUP'T OF CORRECTION
SENIOR CAPTAIN
JACKETS
DATE 7-1-52

15M-10-51

CLASSIFICATION REPORT

June 30, 1952

Name:	RAY, James E.	Age:	24	Admitted:	6-13-52
Crime:	Robbery			Sentence:	1-2 yrs.

CRIMINOLOGIST'S COPY

OFFENSE: Inmate was admitted June 13, 1952, under a 1-2 year sentence for robbery, after he had held up a cab driver and then taken the vehicle. He was apprehended by the police who shot him during the capture. He admits his guilt, stating that he did not ordinarily drink but became intoxicated and then had the idea of the holdup and did it. He said he had used a pipe in lieu of a gun, placing it at the back of the driver's body.

PREVIOUS RECORD: His previous record consists of a two years probation, with three months in the County Jail in Los Angeles in December, 1949 for burglary. Inmate admits he was caught by the manager of a restaurant attempting to enter the premises from a back stairway.

SOCIAL HISTORY: Inmate was born March 10, 1928 in Alton, Illinois, the oldest of three children in a German-English family. He said the father worked regularly as a railroad brakeman and was a good provider until his death from heart trouble in 1947. He attended grade school at Quincy, Illinois and later returned to an "academy for adults under the G.I. Bill", where he said he had fifteen months intensive schooling in high school subjects. He was in the Army between February 19, 1946 and December 23, 1948 when he was honorably discharged. He was placed in the stockade once for missing a guard detail. He came to Chicago in order to attend school for a short time and said he had one or two jobs, generally at factories, working as an assembler and machine operator and stockroom clerk in order to maintain himself while going to school. Apparently he was somewhat of a solitary person, but said he had occasional dates. He denies any persistent drinking, although admitting occasional alcoholic excess.

PERSONALITY: Inmate is a 24-year-old, rather small sized, young appearing man, who gives the impression of being sincere in his remarks, yet is actually fairly adept at evasion. He seemingly is a person who has some drive, but has not been able to settle down to just what he wants. He accepts his predicament and should go along uneventfully here. He has no systematic delinquent traits and his future adjustment will depend in part on the character of his institutional maturation.

CLASSIFICATION: Group III. Without psychosis or intellectual defect. Unstable personality. Questionably improvable offender. Problematic prognosis. Superior intelligence, Army Alpha 111. Kahn negative.

RECOMMENDATION: Pontiac Division.

Inmate has no definite vocational objectives, but has a background of some semi-skilled factory experience. He also shows an interest in high school subjects and seems to be the type who might be interested in trying for a G.E.D. diploma.

W.H. Haines, Chairman
Classification Board

WHH:ee

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19 [illegible]

STATE [illegible]

DEPARTMENT [illegible] PUBLIC SAFETY

JUL 3 1952, 19

[illegible] ORDER NO. 51464

In [illegible]dance with the fi[illegible]dings and recommendation of the Classification Board under the general [illegible] of [illegible] Criminologist, and p[illegible]rsuant to the power vested in the Department of Publ[illegible] Safety, by virtue [illegible] Act [illegible] to the Illinois State Penitentiary, and to repeal certain parts of designated Acts" approved June 3[illegible] 1933,

[illegible]

[illegible] an inmate of the Illinois State Penitentiary, [illegible] [illegible], and the Classification Board's recommendations follow:

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Classification Board of June [illegible], 1952.

[illegible] that the managing [illegible] of the division of said Illinois State Penitentiary [illegible] prisoner is incarcerated, [illegible] from said division, [illegible], together [illegible] and fingerprints, relating to his case; that the managing head of the division [illegible] safely incarcerate him there, until [illegible] released, as though said prisoner had been [illegible] committed to said division. This order is issued pursuant to authority given the Superintendent of Prisons [illegible] said transfer order.

[illegible signature]

Superintendent of Prisons
of the Department of Public [illegible]

[illegible]
Superintendent of Prisons
Illinois State Penitentiary, [illegible]
Illinois State Penitentiary, [illegible]
Diagnostic Depot
Parole and Pardon [illegible]
Criminologist
Statistician

TRANSFER ORDER NO. 51464

[illegible], [illegible]

No. [illegible]

Transferred from

Illinois State Penitentiary,

[illegible] Division

To

Illinois State Penitentiary,

[illegible] Division

RECEIVED from the Warden of

the Illinois State Penitentiary,

_____, the body of

_____ No. 19121

This _____ day of JUL 7 1952, 19__

Roger R. Ramsbotham

WARDEN

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FORM 50

INMATES RECORD—COOK COUNTY JAIL

CHICAGO, ILL.

INDICTMENT NUMBER	HOW HELD	BAIL	COMMITTED BY	CHARGE	DATE CHARGES RECORDED
W.M. 5763	FULLY COMMITTED	~~1500~~ 3000	MARTICAN	ROBBERY	MAY 9 1952
52-1155	CAPIAS	10000	CAPIAS	ROBBERY	MAY 13 1951

WARRANTS

SPECIAL ORDERS

~~SHIPPED TO PENTY~~ ~~CHANGE~~

SENTENCED TO 52-1155 (1) YR TO (2) YRS JUDGE CROWLEY DATE JUN 4 1952

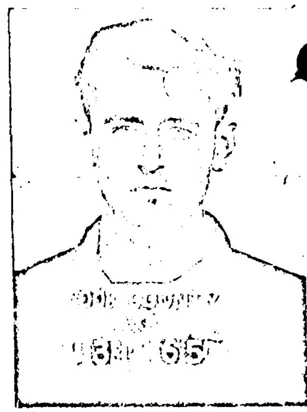
RELEASED JUN 13 1952 HOW RELEASED SENT TO PENN TIME

PREVIOUS ARRESTS 0

CONVICTIONS 0

BLOCK	FLOOR	CELL	DATE	TIME	CAUSE
A	1	24	5/10/52		JUN 13 1952 ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY RECEIVED

G.H.



ADDRESS 853 W. FULLERTON 131165 TIME 1⁴⁰ P.M.

NAME ALIAS CHARGE CODE

RAY JAMES

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NAME RAY JAMES

ALIAS JUN 13 1952

ADDRESS 853 W FULLERTON

ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY RECEIVED

PERSONAL HISTORY		PHYSICAL HISTORY	
HEIGHT	5' 10"	USE TOBACCO	No
WEIGHT	144	USE LIQUOR	Yes
HAIR	BROWN	USE DRUGS	NO
EYES	BLUE	KIND OF DRUGS	
COLOR	W		
AGE	24	TUBERCULOSIS	0
CITIZEN OF	US	CONDITION OF HEART	0
DESCENT	ENGLISH	CONDITION OF LUNGS	0
PLACE OF BIRTH	ALTON ILL	GEN'L PHYSICAL CONDITION	0
HOW LONG IN U.S.A.	24		
HOW LONG IN COUNTY	9		
RELIGION	PROT		
EDUCATION	4-HS		
OCCUPATION	LABOR	FITS	0
MARRIED	NO	SCABIES	0
WIFE OR HUSBAND		SYPHILLIS	0
ADDRESS		GONORRHOEA	0
CHILDREN AND AGES			

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY NOTIFY

FATHER GEORGE

ADDRESS UNKNOWN

MOTHER LUCILLE RAID

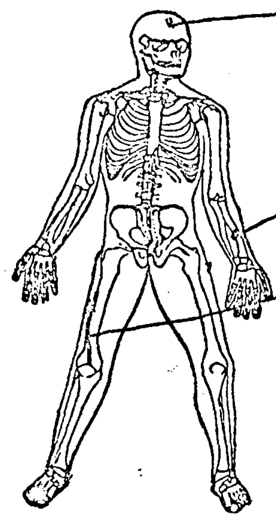
ADDRESS 214 SPRING ST QUINCY ILL

CCS 1140 20M 3-50 (FORM 50)

[illegible] PHYSICIAN

A. Cassoni JAIL OFFICER

FRONT — PHYSICAL CHART — BACK



Laceration c Stitches

Bullet Hole - Entrance

exit

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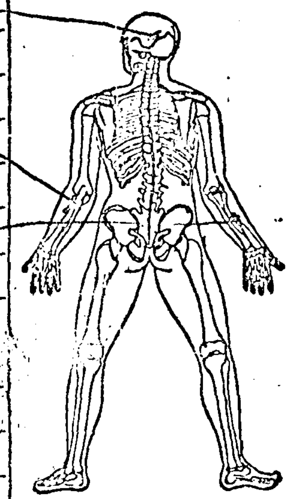

AFFIDAVIT

I, X James E. Ray AN INMATE IN THE COOK COUNTY JAIL, DO HEREBY AUTHORIZE THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SAID JAIL, BY HIMSELF OR HIS AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO RECEIVE, OPEN AND EXAMINE ALL INCOMING AND OUTGOING LETTERS, PAPERS AND OTHER MAIL MATTER WHICH MAY BE DIRECTED TO ME AS LONG AS I AM AN INMATE IN SAID JAIL.

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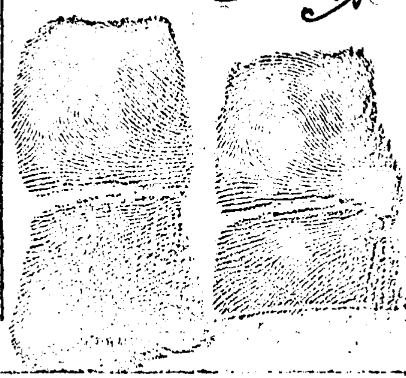

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFE
DIVISION OF THE CRIMINOLOGIS

PONTIAC UNIT

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Inmate RAY, James E. No. 19121 Age 27 Date 7-19-55

This Professional Summary is being prepared at the request of the United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, where this former inmate is serving a sentence of 3 years and 9 months for Forging Money Orders. This request was forwarded from the Joliet Diagnostic Depot. The material in this Summary is derived from the files of the Criminologist and should be regarded as confidential.

Inmate was received at the Joliet Diagnostic Depot 6-13-52, to serve a sentence of 1 to 2 years for Robbery. He had held up a taxicab driver in Chicago, taking his vehicle, and was apprehended shortly thereafter by the police, who shot him during the capture. He admitted his guilt, stating that he was heavily intoxicated and had used a pipe in place of a gun, placing it at the back of the driver's body. He had previously been on a 2-year probation in Los Angeles, California, for burglary, he being caught in the act of entering a restaurant from a back stairway.

He was born at Alton, Illinois, [redacted], the oldest of three children, his father working regularly as a railroad brakeman until his death in 1947. He was raised primarily in Quincy, Illinois, where he graduated from eighth grade and later had some high school training under the G. I. Bill. He was in the Army between 2-18-46 and 12-23-48, when he was honorably discharged for lack of adaptability. He had been in Chicago for a short time prior to the offense, and had had several short term jobs as a factory hand or storeroom worker. He was unmarried, and seemed to be somewhat of a solitary person, with occasional alcoholic excesses.

On the Army Alpha examination, he scored 111, or superior. It was thought that he had no systematic delinquent traits, and segregation at Pontiac was recommended.

At Pontiac, he requested a farm assignment, and was so placed, after a short period in the inmates' kitchen. He worked as a cook in the farm dormitory, and a helper in the officers quarters, and was always considered an average worker. He had no punishment reports.

The latest medical report in our possession, dated 4-30-53, is essentially negative, and he was never referred to the Psychiatrist for any unusual or abnormal behavior. Our office had a couple of routine contacts with him, and it appeared that he had been behaving unstably ever since leaving the Army, and that he was subject to impulsive delinquent behavior in connection with drinking, which, in turn, was related to his tendency to become easily discouraged. Our last contact with him was on 2-19-54.

He was discharged by expiration of sentence on 3-12-54.

Stow E. Symon
Supervising Sociologist

SES:fmh

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF THE CRIMINOLOGIST

PONTIAC UNIT

RELEASE PROGRESS REPORT

Name RAY, James E. No. 19121 Age 25 Color Date 2-19-54

DISCHARGE DATE 3-12-54

CRIMINOLOGIST'S COPY

Inmate was admitted to the Joliet Diagnostic Depot on 6-13-52, under a sentence of 1 to 2 years for Robbery, and was transferred to Pontiac on 7-7-52. On 5-14-53, he was given the Max "X" effective 3-12-54.

Inmate makes no physical complaints. He has received no punishment reports.

Inmate received no visits, and corresponds with his mother and brother.

He is now assigned to the honor farm, where he has been almost continuously, except for a brief period in the inmates' kitchen. At present, he is considered a good worker in the officers' quarters, and has been considered a good cook in the past.

His future plans are indefinite, althoughhe will go to Quincy, Illinois, first.

Inmate's delinquencies seem due to impulsive behavior, especially when drinking. There is a relationship to inmate's tendency to be easily diccouraged, and this tendency still exists.

Inmate has always been considered to be without psychosis or mental defect and, while in the institution and during the present examination, has evidenced no behavior which might indicate the need for a special psychiatric examination at the present time, although one will be attempted, if possible.

The prognosis is doubtful.

Stow E. Symon
Supervising Sociologist

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF THE CRIMINOLOGIST

PONTIAC UNIT

PAROLE PROGRESS REPORT

Name RAY, James E. No. 19121 Age 25 Color White Date 4-9-53

Hearing Minimum Case Docket May, 1953

CRIMINOLOGIST'S COPY

This report is based upon the usual material gathered at the Diagnostic Depot, our attendance at Staff meetings, the receipt of Work Progress Reports, and one short and one long interview with the inmate.

The etiology of inmate's difficulties is not completely known. He seems to have been highly unsettled after leaving the Army, and we would judge that some traumatic experience occurred which he does not care to tell, or cannot verbalize. He seems to be rather solitary and unhappy, and there have been at least two instances of poorly thought out delinquent behavior connected with drinking.

When admitted, inmate expressed an interest in a farm assignment, and was placed in the inmates' kitchen temporarily, until an opening developed on the farm. He has been assigned to the farm continuously since August, 1952, as helper in the farm dormitory kitchen. The report of 10-21-52 characterized him as average in his attitude and in his ability to get along with officers and inmates. The report of 1-30-53 stated that he was good, as far as attitude toward his work was concerned, and ability to get along with officers and other inmates, but that he was only fair as far as proficiency, initiative, progress and ability to work in the free community were concerned.

He has had no punishment reports.

Little is known as to the associational pattern or friends.

He has had no visits, and corresponds with his mother and brother. If released he will have to be assisted by the Parole Officer.

It is difficult for us to make an adequate prediction in this case. In view of the two known instances of impulsive delinquent behavior connected with drinking, the lack of any indication of change or progress here, and the age at which this pattern was continuing, we would judge that he would eventually repeat this behavior, especially if discouraged.

Much would depend upon his obtaining some sort of placement with which he would be satisfied, and which would place him with people who were taking an interest in him.

The prognosis seems to be problematic to doubtful.

Stow E. Symon
Supervising Sociologist

SES:fmh

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Date: 4-20-68

Transmit the following in _____
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Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (157-818)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
OO:MEMPHIS

RE: New York telephone call, 4-20-68

Re telephone call requested the NHO interview E.L. FOSS, JR., co-pilot for Eastern Airlines on Flight 106, from Atlanta, Ga., to Kennedy Airport, New York City, on 4-5-68.

E.L. FOSS, Bridgewater, Conn., advised on 4-20-68, that he was co-pilot on Flight 106 from Atlanta, Ga., to Kennedy Airport, New York City on 4-5-68. He advised that he had had opportunity to view the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and stated that he was unable to recall anyone fitting this description being on Flight 106 from Atlanta, Ga., on 4-5-68.

2 - Memphis
1 - Atlanta (44-1286)
1 - New York
2 - New Haven
RAC:jml
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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388)

FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/18/68, CLARENCE PETERSON, Asst. Dep., Amalgamated Bank, Chicago, Illinois, advised Chicago Division that unknown white male, resembling newspaper likenesses of subject GALT, appeared at his bank shortly before 12:30 p.m., 4/18/68, requesting to purchase $10,000 certificate of deposit for cash inasmuch as unknown male would be new customer for bank. PETERSON requested identification and background data for unknown male, seemed reluctant to furnish, but produced State of Wisconsin driver's license containing name WILLIAM FERRER or WILLIAM FARRER. When PETERSON turned driver's license over to observe signature on reverse side, he noticed an orange or brown card containing the words "National Association of Ballroom Dancers" or words to similar effect. PETERSON advised before he had an opportunity to further observe identifying data concerning this unknown male, the unknown male grabbed the driver's license contained in a plastic folder away from him. PETERSON explained to unknown male that the bank had to have some knowledge of its customers and savings account signature cards would have to be executed in order to issue the certificate of deposit. The unknown male was given blank

2 - Milwaukee
2 - New York (44-1608)
1 - Memphis (Info)(44-1987)
1 - Atlanta (44-2386)
2 - Chicago

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signature cards which he took to a nearby lobby counter to fill out and obviously did not want PETERSON to observe the information he would place thereon.

PETERSON turned briefly to report the situation to another officer nearby in the bank and when he turned around again, the unknown male had disappeared from the bank. Examination of all waist receptacles in the bank lobby failed to locate the blank signature savings cards given the unknown male indicating that they were taken away by him.

PETERSON said he left the bank for lunch almost immediately after this incident about 12:30 p.m., and did not observe the unknown male on the streets in the vicinity of the bank and it was during his lunch period that he was reading the "Chicago Tribune" containing photographic likenesses of subject GALT whom he feels is identical to the unknown man appearing at Amalgamated Bank for the certificate of deposit. PETERSON described this unknown male as follows:

Name	WILLIAM FERBERT or WILLIAM FARBERS
Sex	Male
Race	White
Age	About 35-40
Height	5'8" or 5'9"
Weight	160-170
Complexion	Ruddy
Characteristics	Square jaw, clean shaven
Eyes	Dark
Hair	Brown
Wearing Apparel	White shirt, three-quarter length tan light weight coat

Review of Chicago classified and telephone directories failed to locate any listing identifiable with National Association of Ballroom Dancers, however, a copy of the March, 1968, issue of "Ballroom Dance Magazine",

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published monthly by Dance Magazines, Inc., 268 West 47th Street, New York, New York, discloses numerous advertisements for ballroom dancing throughout the United States, only one of which is possibly identical with National Association of Ballroom Dancers which is "Ballroom Dancers Association, Inc.," 756 7th Avenue, New York, New York.

LEADS

MILWAUKEE

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. Will contact the Wisconsin State Bureau of Motor Vehicles and obtain all information available concerning any driver's licenses issued under the name WILLIAM FERRER or WILLIAM FARRERS, also Rhder the name GALT or any of his known aliases to date, and set forth necessary investigative leads to resolve whether or not FERRER is identical with subject GALT.

NEW YORK

AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK. Will contact Dance Magazine, Inc., 268 West 47th Street, New York City, New York, and determine if subject GALT is subscriber to any of its publications under the name GALT or any of his known aliases. Also determine if one WILLIAM FERRER or WILLIAM FARRERS is a subscriber to any of these publications. Will also interview officials of Dance Magazine, Inc., in an effort to more accurately identify and locate the National Association of Ballroom Dancers which may issue membership cards of a brown or orange color. Will contact Ballroom Dancers Association, 756 7th Avenue, New York City, New York, to determine if subject GALT under any of his known aliases to date, is a member of that association and also whether WILLIAM FERRER or FARRERS is a member of that association.

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SAC, NEW ORLEANS 4/22/68

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

MURKIN
CR

(Bufile 44-38861)

Re New Orleans airtel to Memphis dated 4/17/68 enclosing 2 investigative inserts and 4 FD-302's (total enclosures 150); New Orleans airtel to Memphis dated 4/18/68 enclosing 28 separate inserts and FD-302's (total enclosures 700); and New Orleans airtel to Memphis dated 4/18/68 enclosing 5 inserts (total enclosures 125).

All of the above material is being returned to New Orleans, which office in the future should submit its own reports.

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2 - New Orleans (Encs. 975)
1 - Memphis
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AIRTEL AIR MAIL

TO: SAC, BIRMINGHAM

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

SUBJECT: MURKIN;
CR

Enclosed for the Birmingham Office are 2 copies of an FD 302 reflecting interview with CHARLIE HARTZELL, former manager of Continental Dance Studio, New Orleans.

Birmingham is requested to reinterview MARLIN MEYERS, former Manager of Continental Dance Studio regarding GALT allegedly attending Continental Dance Studio at New Orleans in 1964 and 1965.

2 - Birmingham (Enc. 2)
2 - Memphis
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SAC JACKSON

~~DIRECTOR, FBI ([illegible])~~ 4/22/68

SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)

MURKIN
CR

Re Jackson letter to Memphis dated 4/17/68 enclosing 5 FD 302's (15 copies each) and 2 inserts (15 copies each)(total 105 enclosures); Jackson letter to Memphis dated 4/17/68 enclosing 2 inserts (15 copies each) (total 30 enclosures); Jackson letter to Memphis dated 4/18/68 enclosing 9 inserts (15 copies each) (total 135 enclosures); Jackson letter to Memphis dated 4/18/68 enclosing 6 inserts (15 copies each) (total 90 enclosures); Jackson letter to Memphis dated 4/18/68 enclosing 31 inserts (15 copies each)(total 465 enclosures).

All of the above enclosures are being returned to Jackson Office, which office should in the future submit its own reports.

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2 - Jackson (Encs 825)
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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, JACKSONVILLE

FROM: SAC, DALLAS (44-2649)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Mrs. HARRY JOHNSON, 9432 Parkford, Dallas, DI 8-6844, (requested her identity be protected), who stated she is wife of a doctor, on 4/20/68, telephonically furnished information to SA EDWIN D. KENNEDALL as follows:

About midnight, following April 1, 1968, she alone in her 1964 Buick Electra, stopped at an eating establishment, name unknown but like a Toddle House, on Highway 90 as she was driving east, one or two blocks on her right passed a university in Tallahassee, Florida. While having coffee there a male individual came in and inquired if she was driving the Texas car. He said a few other things to her including something to the effect that people he came there with had left him there stranded. Later as she was leaving she saw him standing in the parking lot and then made some comment about staying next door. She did not observe what was next door but remembered it was a large building, possible a hotel, apartment or rooming house. She furnished the following description of the individual:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	About 40
Height	5'10"
Hair	Brown, apparently full head of hair, although could have had receding forehead.

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2 - Jacksonville
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
2 - Dallas
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Eyes	Blue
Characteristics	Quiet, soft voice, were suit, one shoulder lower than other (as appeared in newspaper photo of JAMES EARL RAY on 4/20/68)
Scars and Marks	None remembered

She did not learn any name or any other specific information concerning this person that would help to identify him. It was conflicting whether he was a transient passing through there or whether he was staying in the building next door to the eating establishment. She said a few days ago she wondered if he could be identical with the assassin of MARTIN LUTHER KING but decided he did not look much like drawing that appeared in newspaper. When she saw a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY in newspaper on 4/20/68, she believed that individual looked like the picture. She said she believed it may be him or she would not have reported this information.

LEAD

JACKSONVILLE

AT JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA. Conduct investigation at eating establishment above, to determine if JAMES EARL RAY can be located there.

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April 20, 1968

Airtel Air Mail

TO: SAC, MIAMI

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388)

SUBJECT: MUREIN
CO: MEMPHIS

On 4/20/68 Mr. DANIEL S. KELLY, 2533 North Wall Avenue, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, telephonically furnished the following information to the FBI, Milwaukee. Mr. KELLY stated that he and his wife were recently in Florida, having arrived there 3/24/68 from the West Coast. They checked into the Sun Castle Club, 1380 South Ocean Blvd., Pompano, Florida which Mr. KELLY stated was operated by an ex-FBI Agent, KENNET CASTLE. He said that upon his arrival he was roomed by a bellboy of the Club and subsequently requested this bellboy to furnish him with three or four copies of various newspapers. He stated that two or three days later he attempted to locate the bellboy to reimburse him for the papers and found out that he had left the employ of the Club. He stated that inquiry revealed that this bellboy, whom he knew only by the first name of EARL, had told others at the Club that he was leaving to accept an offer to work as an electrician someplace in Tennessee for $500 a week. Mr. KELLY stated that this salary sounded absurd and that upon subsequently checking photographs of JAMES EARL RAY he and his wife felt that this individual closely resembled RAY, both in looks and general description. Above being furnished for whatever action deemed necessary by Miami.

2-Miami (Air Mail)
1-Birmingham (Air Mail) (Info)
1-Memphis (Air Mail) (Info)
1-Kansas City (Air Mail) (Info)
1-Milwaukee (44-388)
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FBI

Date: 4/20/68

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) -P-

SUBJECT: MURKIN

JAMES EARL RAY, aka -
FUGITIVE
UFAC - ROBBERY
(OO: KANSAS CITY)

Re San Francisco teletype to Bureau, 4/19/68.

Enclosed for each, Memphis, Atlanta, Chicago, Birmingham, and San Francisco, are 2 photographs of WALTER TERRY RIFE, FBI #455 8766.

Photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, dated 7/8/55, forwarded early this date AMSD to San Francisco by Routing Slip.

The attached photographs of WALTER TERRY RIFE should be used to further eliminate RIFE as suspect in MURKIN. Numerous individuals verify RIFE as working long hours at his restaurant during each date of pertinent period.

RIFE continues to reside at 214 Lind Street, Quincy, Illinois, and has stated he will be immediately available for future interviews. He has shown a very cooperative attitude.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

3 - Bureau (44-38861)
2 - Memphis (44-1987)(Enc. 2)
2 - Atlanta (Enc. 2) 2 - Chicago (Enc. 2)
2 - Birmingham (Enc. 2)
2 - San Francisco (173-65)(Enc. 2)
4 - Springfield (2: 44-561)
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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, CHARLOTTE (44-2165) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Memphis airtel to Charlotte 4/17/68, and Bureau airtel to Charlotte 4/18/68.

Re: BEDSPREAD

In referenced Memphis airtel, a lead was set forth for the Charlotte Office to contact all textile manufacturers in an effort to determine the source or manufacturer of the bedspread abandoned at Memphis by the subject.

For the information of the Bureau, there are 48 textile manufacturers in the city of Charlotte alone, and over 100 textile manufacturers in Gastonia, N. C. Throughout the state of North Carolina, there are hundreds of textile manufacturers.

On 4/18/68, JIM OAKLEY (former SA), Security Officer of [illegible] Mills, Gastonia, N. C., advised that it would be extremely helpful if a swatch of the material in the bedspread could be made available for examination by experts in the textile field in determining the manufacturer.

In the event the Bureau desires that this lead be pursued, even though JAMES EARL RAY has been identified as the subject, it is requested that a swatch of the bedspread be furnished Charlotte for display to textile manufacturers.

1 - Bureau
2 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Charlotte
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Date: 4/19/68

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Via AIRTEL AIRMAIL
(Priority)

TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re: INVESTIGATION TO INTERVIEW FORMER ROOMERS 107 14th STREET, ATLANTA, GEORGIA.

Reference is made to Atlanta teletype to the Bureau, Memphis, New Haven, and Mobile, 4/16/68, in which leads were set forth to interview BILLY FAULKNER, Midland City, Ala., who had formerly roomed at 107 14th St., Atlanta.

By teletype dated 4/16/68, Mobile advised the Bureau, Memphis, and Atlanta that BILLY JOE FAULKNER was not located at Midland City, Ala., and lead was set forth for Atlanta to contact Square D Electronics where FAULKNER reportedly was employed.

It is noted that the files of the Mobile Office reflect that MO 177-R, who has furnished reliable information concerning Klan matters, advised on 7/11/66, that Dr. BILLY J. FAULKNER (who may be identical with BILLY JOE FAULKNER), P. O. Box 15, Midland City, Ala., age 37, 5'10", 165 pounds, had formerly been a member of the UKA Klavern at Dothan, Ala, but had been discharged from the Klavern and was no longer a member and not eligible for reinstatement.

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Enclosed for Memphis are 25 copies of an Insert reflecting investigation at Midland City, to locate BILLY FAULKNER. Two copies are furnished to Atlanta, in view of investigation there to locate him. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

2 - Memphis (Enc.25)
2 - Atlanta (44-2386)(Enc.2)
2 - Mobile
JTB:crb

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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: HARVEY LOWMEYER, aka
LOWMYER

Re Bureau teletype to all offices, 4/8/68, requesting check of indices, city directories, telephone directories, driver's license records, automobile registration records, voter registration records, and credit and criminal records for the surname of LOWMEYER and LOWMYER. This check conducted with negative results in the territory covered by this office.

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3 - Bureau
2 - Memphis
2 - Birmingham
2 - Albuquerque
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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: Cloth Laundry Tags

Re Bureau teletype to All Continental Offices, dated 4/9/68; and Albany airtel to the Director, dated 4/18/68.

All laundries contacted in Albuquerque Division and none were located using the code of the laundry mark in instant case.

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1 - Bureau
2 - Memphis
1 - Birmingham
2 - Albuquerque
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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: CHECK OF DANCING SCHOOLS
ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION

Re Bureau teletype to all offices, 4/14/68.

A check of all dancing schools in the territory covered by the Albuquerque Office for a record of ERIC STARVO SALT, JOHN WILLARD, or HARVEY LOWMYER, was made with negative results.

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1 - Bureau
2 - Memphis
2 - Birmingham
2 - Albuquerque
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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-718) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: WHITE 1966 MUSTANG,
VIN 6T07C185807, BEARING
ALABAMA LICENSE 1-38993

Re Birmingham teletype to Director and all SACs, 4/18/68, re captioned white Mustang.

Motor Vehicle Division records of New Mexico checked with negative results.

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2 - Bureau
2 - Memphis
2 - Birmingham
2 - Albuquerque
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AIRTEL

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (44-28861)

FROM : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE (44-715) P

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: CHECK OF BARTENDING SCHOOLS

Re New York teletype to the Bureau and other offices, 4/18/68.

A check of the bartending school at Albuquerque was made for any record regarding ERIC STARVO GALT, JOHN WILLARD, and HARVEY LOWMEYER, with negative results.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

1 - Bureau
2 - Memphis
2 - Birmingham
2 - Albuquerque
JPC:rag
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Re Birmingham teletype to Director, 4/17/68, 10:53 a.m.

Enclosed for Memphis are 25 copies of investigative insert re this case in connection with ERIC STARVO GALT possibly being cook and baker aboard ship.

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(3) 6-page investigative insert setting forth results of investigation conducted by SA BUTZ at the Louisiana Drivers License Division, Baton Rouge, La., on 4/10/68.

(4) 1-page investigative insert concerning investigation conducted by SA BUTZ on 4/11/68, at Louisiana Drivers License Division, Baton Rouge, La.

(5) 1-page investigative insert concerning investigation conducted at the Louisiana Department of Motor Vehicles, Baton Rouge, La., by SA MICHAEL BARON on 4/10/68.

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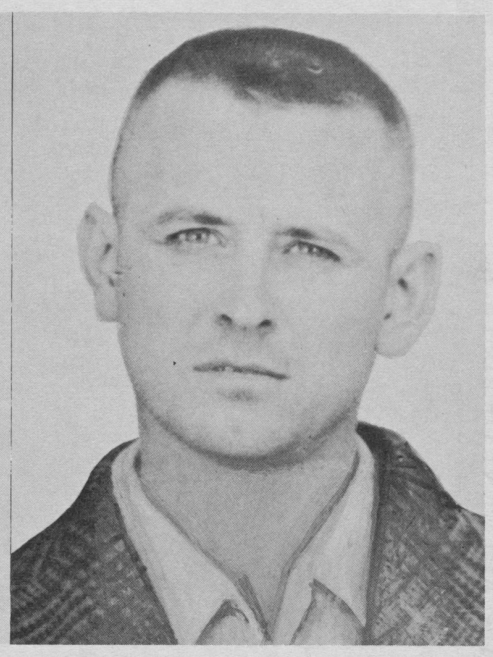

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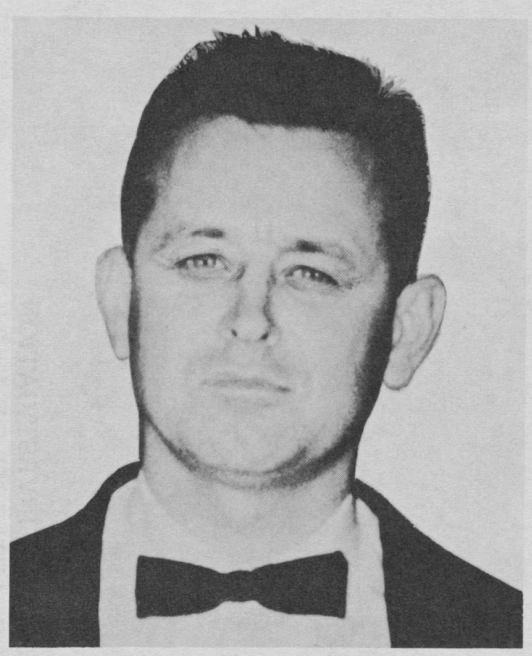

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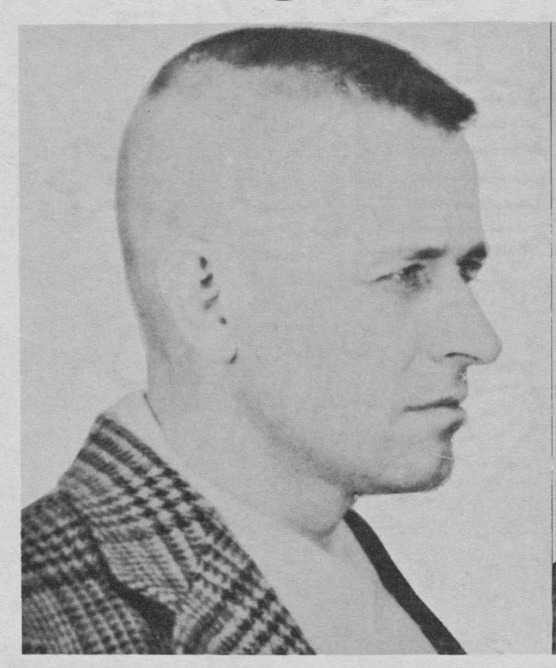
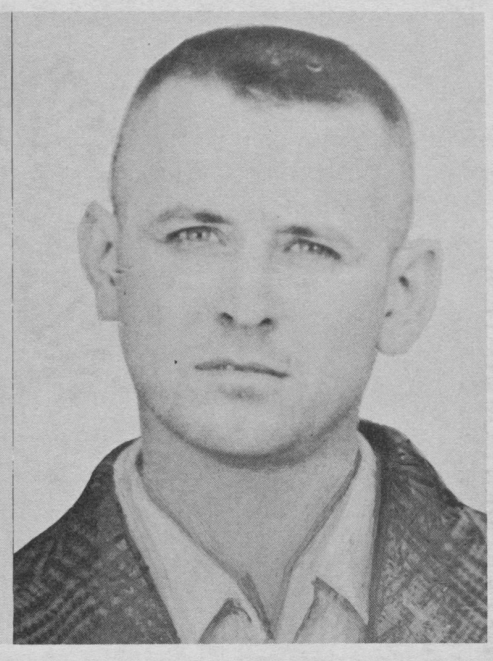

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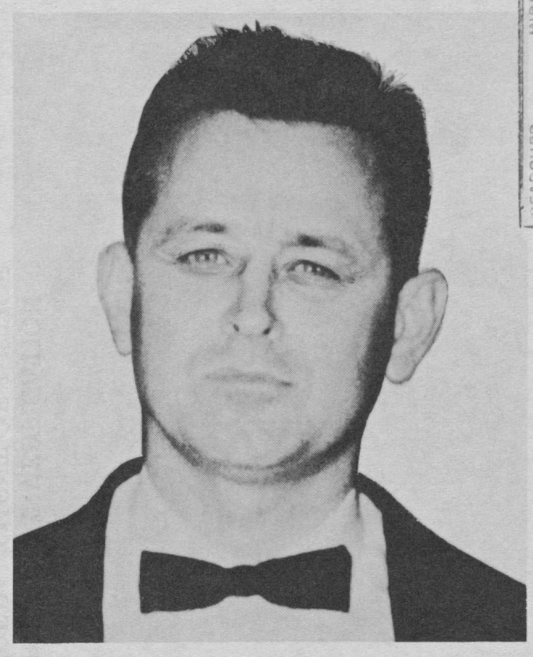

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