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TO : SAC, WFO (44-703)

DATE: 5/1/68

FROM : SA LOUIS A. CRESCIOLI

SUBJECT: MURKIN

negro, male, born a cab driver for Coastline #278, presented himself at | WFU and furnished the following information:

While working the WDC area this evening,
JAMES picked-up a fare at 3304 Georgia Ave., NW, who
resembled photo of JAMES EARL RAY. This fare gave his name
to JAMES as being GIOSEPH STONE", residing at 607 C St., SE, WDC.
JAMES dropped-off STONE at the above SE address at 10:45 pm,
having earlier picked him up at the above Georgia Ave.
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STONE wrote his name and address on a piece of paper for JAMES and asked that he pick him up again in the future at about the same time at the above Georgia A e. address.

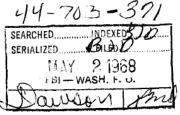
STONE said he was a mechanic for a laundry mat at above Georgia Ave. address.

JAMES said he thinks above man may have killed DR. KING, and accordingly JAMES does not want to have anything to do with the man. STONE also told JAMES that he (STONE) carries a gun.

JAMES said if FBI wishes to talk him again he can be reached at home phone # HU 3-3819.

JAMES said that STONE is white, male, age about 25, lisps when he talks, about 5' 4" tall, weighs about 170 lbs, is single, wore dirty clothes, was sober man, dark brown hair, and heavy build. Attached to this memo is handwriting of STONE, as given to JAMES by STONE while in cab. A and 'Dangerous.

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# More Clues Point to Plot to Kill Dr. King

MORE CLUES emerging in the hunt for Dr. Martin Luther King's slayer support the view that there was a conspiracy, and that the killers had been planning it for months.

There is strong indication now that the killer was the man who gave this name as Eric Starvo Galt, but that was likely an assumed name. Galt was positively identified by Peter N. Cherpes, manager of the Economy Grill and Rooms in Birmingham, Ala., where he roomed from last August to Oct. 7. The identification was made from a sketch made by FBI artists on the basis of a escription by Memphis resients who saw Galt the day he checked in at the rooming house that served so conveniently for the murder.

The white Mustang registered in Galt's name, answering to the description of the killer's getaway car, was found abandoned in Atlanta on April 11.

From Cherpes and other sources, the trail to Galt involving Memphis, Atlanta, Birmingham, Pascagoula, Mobile and New Orleans, is a trail of phoney addresses, false information and mysterious moves at every turn. When he took his room in Birmingham, he said he was taking several months' vacation. Galt claimed he worked at the Ingalls Shipyard in Pascagoula. A check with the shipyard revealed there was no man of that name who worked there.

When he obtained his driver's license in Birmingham last September, he said he had a license in Louisiana. A check showed no Louisiana license for any Galt.

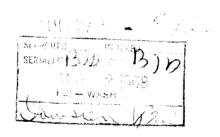
Cherpes accompanied Galt to a Birmingham drivers' testing ground. He disclosed that a duplicate license for Galt was received at his address on March 1. Alabama's Highway Patrol confirmed that a man named Eric Galt phoned in late February claiming loss of license and requesting a duplicate, which was sent.

Galt was described as a quiet man who kept to himself. When he left the Birmingham rooming house, he said he was to take a job in Mobile.

The new details, taken together with the disclosure that, minutes after the killing, false police reports were sent out over the same radio frequency used by Memphis police, deliberately designed to divert police chasers to a different direction, leave no doubt that some elaborate plotting was under way.

The new developments have silenced Attorney General Ramsey Clark, who for some days after the killing issued statements declaring the killing was the work of one man acting alone, and that no conspiracy was evident.

The FBI undoubtedly has much material that is not known publicly. The gun and binoculars the killer left on the street near the scene of the killing, the car impounded in Atlanta, were undoubtedly scrutinized for fingerprints, of which tens of millions are in FBI files.



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near the Memphis rooming house.

• A check showed the car was owned by one Eric Starvo Galt who took a driver's license test Sept. 6, 1967 at Montgomery, Ala. He gave his occupation as a seaman. He bought the Mustang Aug. 30, 1967, in Birmingham. Last March 1, Galt applied for a duplicate of his driver's license. The FBI is trying to chase down the several addresses given by Galt. His license record showed that he was born in the was five feet, 11 inches tall, and weighs

about 175 pounds.

Rolando Veloz Canales, the Mexican consul at Memphis, disclosed that a young man answering the description given of the kliler, had gotten a permit to travel to Mexico just a day before the killing. The address and telephone number he gave in his application proved to be false. Veloz said he gave the information to the FBI on the Friday after King's death, but it was not until the following Tuesday that the FBI came to him to check the information.

• The FBI sent out a bulletin in Florida that it was looking for Galt. But when the notice received publicity, the FBI withdiew it.

• The Rev. Jesse Jackson, Chicago Negro leader, who was with Dr. King when the bullet struck, said he rejected the theory that the killing was the act of a lone

person. He said at a news conference in Chicago that when the shot was fired there were many police around the motel where Dr. King stayed. "I only saw police coming towards me from the direction of the shot," he said.

• Solomon Jones Jr., who was King's driver, said he saw a white man with "something white" leaping out of the bushes across the street from the balcony on which King stood, immediately after the shot was fired. He believes there was a conspiracy involving more than one person. Jones asked how it was possible to plan the action in so short a time. King stayed in that motel for only one day. He also asked why the killer would discard his rifle and binoculars in full view of at least four persons.

Meanwhile there was also evidence that the racists of America helped both to fire up an atmosphere for the murder of King and later to cover the tracks of the killers.

The Pittsburgh Catholic, a weekly, in its April 5 issue in a story about the events before the killing, quoted Senator Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia, chairman of the District of Columbia Appropriations Committee, as having said of King's Poor Peoples march on the floor of the Senate:

"If this self-seeking rabble rouser is allowed to go through with his plans here, Washington may well be treated to the same kind of violence, destruction, looting and bloodshed" as Memphis.

Sen. John C. Stennis of Mississippi, said "Washington would do well to study the Memphis riots."

The Wall Street Journal, summarizing the conspiracy theories on the King assassination, lists the statement of the notorious racist, Gov. Lester Maddox of Georgia, that the Communists "done him in" and that he would continue to cling to that belief until the killer was caught. At the other, no less ridiculous extreme, WSJ lists the allegations that a Negro nationalist group, calling itself the "Revolutionary Action Movement" and facing rial for allegedly planning to kill "moderate" Negro leaders, was the source of the assassination.

"Who pulled the trigger is unimportant," said the Rev. Andrew Young, vice-chairman of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference. "The thing that matters is that it was done by the people in the North and the South who constantly discredited Dr. King. They set him up as a target; the killer only pulled the trigger."

The Rev. James Bevel, also quoted in WSJ, said:

"Let the white men play their game about looking for the killer. Are we supposed to believe they really care about who killed Dr. King when the biggest business of the U.S. government is in killing non-whites in Vietnam?"

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# Plot Seen in King Killing

By GEORGE MORRIS

ATTORNEY GENERAL Ramsey Clark's much publicized snap conclusion that the assassin of Dr. Martin Luther King acted "alone" is becoming effectively discredited as details about the search for the killer indicate there was an elaborately planned conspiracy.

Charges of slowness by Memphis police in the chase after the assassin in a white Mustang are also getting louder.

Less than a day after the murder, Clark, who took personal charge of the case, began to issue daily bulletins that the FBI was "hot" on the trail, that evidence was "abundant," and that an arrest was "near" or "very near." Eleven days after the killing, there is still no arrest and the case seems more confused and surrounded by more mystery.

So disturbing is the situation that Rep. Charles W. Whalen Jr. of Ohio leveled a sharp attack at Clark last week for having concluded that there was no conspiracy.

The New York Times has put a man on the case in Memphis. The paper noted that a deliberately faked police report broadcast a half hour after the killing, which alleged that a police car was chasing the killer in a "blue Mustang" and had exchanged shots with him, "give impetus to speculation that the civil rights leader was the victim of a conspiracy."

Those false reports, apparently aimed at throwing the police off the trail, were clearly heard by WMC-TV, a Memphis TV station. Lieutenant R. W. Bradshaw, who drove Police Car 160, the car that allegedly chased the get-away Mustang, refused to say anything publicly. Frank C. Holloman, director of the Memphis police, said only that that angle was being investigated.

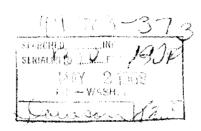
Another element in the picture is the report that there were two white Mustangs parked near the rooming house where the killer checked in.

Even Clark had conceded that the 30-06 Remington rifle and the binoculars which the killer left behind in a suitcase in full view of several pesons, may have been also a deliberate move to provide false evidence. The one bullet found, while matching the Remington rifle, was so shattered that it was doubtful there could be a definite check as to whether it came out of that rifle.

So far, there have been the following definite developments:

 A white 1966 Mustang was found which had been abandoned for several days in Atlanta. The car fitted the general description given of the car that was parked

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nowpositive suspect, James Earl Ray, an escaped Missouri penitentiary convict, with the "Cottonmouth Mocassins," but officials do now maintain that Ray, who uses the alias "Eric Starvo Galt," is probably a hired gunman.

Giving more impetus to the "hired killer" theory, was a headline on the April 19, Phila. Daily News one of the only Delaware Valley, Metropolitan area papers to streamer the story— which stated:

"Missing Minuteman Chief Put King on Death List."

The paper cited as its source a "U.S. Aide," and named Assistant U.S. Attorney Anthony P. Nugent Jr., of Kansas City, Mo.

Nugent, in a motion filed with the 8th Circuit in St. Louis, the News quotes Nugent as charging that Robert B. DePugh, chief of the Minutemen," a gun and pistol club which claimed it was arming to fight Communism, had ordered the assassination of Dr. King, H. Rap Brown and Stokely Carmichael.

DePUGH, says the News article, "is missing." He convicted for violation of the National Firearms Act, in Kansas City in November, 1966.

The Missouri U.S. Attorney added, in the item, that DePugh is not a suspect in the King assassination.

ANOTHER significant item occurred in New Jersey just two months after

the Mississippi sheriff read the plot statement in the Adams County court, when in June of 1967, a huge Klan rally took place on a farm down in the Gloucester, Salem, Camden and Ocean County area.

A brimstone and fire address by Penna. Grand Dragon Earl Frankhauser, and New Jersey King Kleagle Frank Rotella Jr., a fired N.Y. Transit bus driver, both championing the cause of white supremacy, was punctuated by jeers and hoots from about 30 colored youths who crashed the meeting.

Jersey Gov. Richard Hughes had just signed into law a bill that marked cross-burning as a crime, afterseveral flaming crosses had been ignited in a few towns in the colored residential area. The congregation of a Paulsboro, N.J. Baptist Church were harrassed with cross-burnings near the edifice.

But the highlight of the Jersey Klan meeting of June 1967, was the "hanging" of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in effigy.

One of the untold mysteries of the King assassination, or the information is being withheld by Southern Christian Leadership Council officials, is Dr. King's reference in his last and almost prophetic sets mon the night before his death, to the "sick white friends," he said "were out to get me."

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# King's Killer May Have Stalked Him In Newark

By BOB QUEEN
(AFRO Staff Correspondent)

NEWARK, N.J. — The N.J. AFRO-AMERICAN learned this week that the alleged slayer of Dr? Martin Luther King Jr., probab'y stalked the Southern Christian Leadership Council leader in Newark, but got the dates of his appearance here mixed up thinking he was going to be present at the Crispus Attucks Day Parade on March 24!

It is known that both law enforcement agencies and a national magazine suddenly became interested in viewing every photo possible, taken at the huge Attucks Day parade — especially amona the crowds around the City Hall reviewing stand.

But Dr. King appeared in Newark on the day before his ill-fated flight to Memphis.

THAT ASSASSINS had been trailing King became public knowledge as far back as April, 1967, when a Mississippi sheriff testifying against a white man accused in the fatal shooting of an elderly colored man, read a statement that members of the "Cottonmouth Moccasin" gang, had tried to lure Dr. King to Natchez where he would be the target of a sniper.

It was at the trial for 57-ye a r-old James Jones, charged in the slaying of Ben Chester White whose shot-riddled body was found in a creek near Natchez. that Adams County Sheriff Odell Anders, read the rev-

ealing statement.

In the statement, Sheriff Anders quoted another suspect in the case, one of three charged, one Claude Fuller, as saying the shooting of Ben White was an effort to draw attention away from Meredith's Freedom March against fear, and lure King to Natchez. Also charged in the slaying was Ernest Avant, both of whom were at Jones' trial wearing cowboy boots and on the outside sported 10-gallon hats.

The defendants were given separate trials.
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THE ALLEGED plot in 1967 to liquidate Dr. King apparently backfired when instead, James Meredith was fired upon and wounded near the ill-fated site of the King assassina-

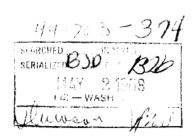
tion. Earlier reports on the latter shooting were that King had been rushed to the same hospital as Meredith.

The plotters also found out that Dr. King and his SCLC officers were not able to personally respond to every atrocity committed against black individuals.

The present information known to the AFRO, doesn't link the "Cottonmouth Moccasin" gang of 1967 with the Memphis assassination, but law enforcement sources over the past week hint that possibly a near dozen conspirators were acting in concert on the April 4 shooting when King stepped out on his motel balcony.

NEITHER has there been any link between the FBI's

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# Pal says Ray was \$ hungry

DALTON, Ga. (UPI) — A prison buddy of James Earl Ray said Tuesday that when Ray heard there was a "million-dollar bounty" on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., he smiled and said, "I'll collect it."
Ray, a 40-year-old fugitive from the Missouri State Prison, is accused by the FBI of assassinating Dr. King in Memphis on April 4.

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In the Dalton jail, Raymond Curtis, 40, awaiting appeal on a murder sentence, said he has known Ray in the Kansas City Jail, in Federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., and in the State prison at Jefferson City, No.

He described Ray as like-

The described Ray as like-able, addicted to "dope" a "loner" and a man con-cerned only with money.

On the day President Kennedy was assassinated — Nov. 23, 1963—Curtis said he, Ray, and about 150 other prisners were in an exerg-ise yard when they heard the news.

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He said Ray remarked, "Well, somebody made a pretty penny on that."

About a week later, Curtis said, he and Ray were in the yard when "a new man just in off the street" told them "the Businessmen's Association has a million dollar bounty out for Martin Luther King."

Ray smiled, Curtis re-

King."
Ray smiled, Curtis recilled, and said, "If there's a million dollars out for King, I believe if I ever get out I'll collect it."
Curtis said he never figured out what the "new man" meant by the "Businessmen's Association." he couldn't remember who the

couldn't remember who the

man was.
"I didn't think much about it at the time. In prison, you hear all sorts of hellacious ideas," said Curtis, a tall, rawboned man.

Authorities in Jefferson City confirmed that Curtis and Ray were in prison at the same time. Authorities in Dalton said the FBI had interviewed Curtis on Sunday and again Monday night. It refused comment on the matter on the matter.

Curtis said Ray told him "he always carried a gun.
He was always interested
in money," Curtis said, but
never mentioned racial matters

'He never made no state-

ments of any kind in a group," Curtis said. "He was a loner."

Ray couldn't "make long conversation unless he was planning something," said Curtis. "If he was planning something, you could bet they'd be thorough plans."

Ray, he said, master-minded things "that would be small things outside, but were pretty big jobs in pri-son"—such as the theft of eggs and drugs and ciga-

He said Ray told him that if he ever wanted to kill someone, he would buy a gun under a false name and have everything ready for an escape. "He used to talk a lot about escaping to New

Zealand, Brazil and Argentina," Curtis said.
"I would'nt consider him dangerous" Curtis said'. 'He didn't look for trouble.

"Of course, I'm not say-ing he wouldn't shoot you if you ran up on him now."

As ked about Ray's habits, Curtis said, "He talked about beer—he liked beer, I knew that." He said he never heard him talk about dancing, but that he "did a lot of weightlifting" at Jefferson City.

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"I never heard him do much cussing. I just saw him get mad once and that was in a poker game. He liked to play poker. His favorite game was lowball. "He talked about having lots of women. None spe-

cial. He'd pick'em up and leave'em," Curtis said.

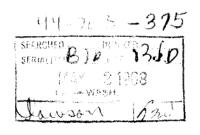
"You could pick him out of a crowd of 2,000 men in the prison yard. He would be off to himself walking and his mind would be and his mind would somewhere else."

Curtis, convicted of shot-gunning a man in the holdup of a poker game here last year, said when he heard of King's Death he did not connect it with Ray because he didn't know Ray had escaped prison.

If others were in the plot with Ray, Curtis said, Ray "would go to his grave with the secret."

"From what he said, I would consider he was expert with a gun, Curts said.

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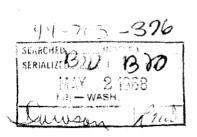


# Man not Ray; cops release him

HERMOSILLO, Mexico (UPI) — Police said Thursday they had released Daniel D. Kennedy, a bearded hitchhiker from Baltimore, whom they had arrested in their hunt for a suspect in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Kennedy was arrested Wednesday in a cafe in Caborca, 80 miles southwest of Nogales, Ariz., and brought in handcuffs to this Sonora state capital 120 miles to the south after police questioned him for 12 hours in his \$5-a-night hotel room.

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#### Mexican Police Hold Baltimorean

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CABORCA, Mexico, April 25 (UPI) - Police today said they have arrested a bearded hitchhiker from Baltimore, in their hunt for a suspect in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

They said they arrested Daniel D. Kennedy at a cafe yesterday in this town 80 miles southwest of Nogales, Ariz., questioned him for 12 hours in his \$5-a-night hotel room and then drove him in handcuffs to the Sonora State capital of Hermosillo, 120 miles to the south.

Hotel Manager Carlos Valancia Beltran told UPI he had told police his guest resembled pictures of James Earl Ray, wanted by the FBI in connection with Dr. King's slaying.

In Washington more than 12 hours after Mr. Kennedy was handcuffed the FBI said that "there has been no arrest" in the hunt for Ray. In Baltimore, Mr. Kennedy's mother called the arrest "impossible." She said, "he's just a skinny old thing" and only a "blind man" would say her son resembled Mr. Ray.

#### WON PURPLE HEART

Mr. Kennedy's mother, Pearl, 68, said he was a varded the Purple Heart in combat in Germany during World War II. "He's a mixed-up kid and wuldn't hurt a fly, she added. He couldn't hold job because of his war wounds, she said.

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Mrs. Kennedy said her son "was especially paral to colored people and thought they were not getting a fair break. That's one of the reasons he decided to go to Mexico.'

"I wired him \$30 vesterday," she said.

There was no word of any formal charge being placed against Mr. Kennedy by Mexican Authori-

The hitchhiker registered at Caborca's San Carlos Hotel under the name of Daniel David Kennedy, 42, of 548 East 38th St., Baltimorè. Police said his U.S. passport was numbered 8527475.

#### MAKES ARREST

Lt. Roberto Fletcher of the Mexican police made the arrest and led the questioning in the hotel room. He surrounded the hotel with officers armed with pistols.

Police said they found no weapons on Mr. Kennedy nor any in the pack he carried on his back.

Mr. Beltan said Mr. Kennedy told him hel entered Mexico at the Arizona border town of Nogales. He checked into the hotel Tuesday at 11 p.m., Mr. Beltran said. Wednesday, Mr. Kennedy asked about placing a telephone call to an unidentified person in Baltimore, the hotel manager said.

#### SAW TATTOO

The manager watched his guest closely. He said Mr. Kennedy has a tatto "something like a monkey" on his left arm.

When Mr. Kennedy stepped out of Room 22 yesterday, Mr. Beltran phoned police.

Lt. Fletcher arrived Mr. Beltran said Mr. Kennedy had stepped out, possibly to a nearby cafe. At the cafe, Lt. Fletcher found Mr. Kennedy seated at a table, drinking.

According to Mr. Beltran, Lt. Fletcher handcuffed the American almost immediately. Shortly thereafter, Lt. Fletcher and another officer led Mr. Kennedy back to Room 22.

The interrogation that began in midafternoon lasted until 3:30 a.m. today. Then Lt. Fletcher led Mr. Kennedy down the statrcase and into the car, saying he was taking the American to Hermosil-

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#### Did Dr. King's Killer Feel He Was on 'Divine Mission?'

#### Plot Against Rights Leaders Feared

ATLANTA, April 25 (UPI) — The Rev. Ralph Abernathy said yesterday the killer of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. may have felt that he was on a "divine mission," and speculated there might be a conspiracy to kill civil rights leaders.

Dr. Abernathy, Dr. King's successor as head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, said he was not as concerned about the killer "as am about the climate in this country that produced him.

"I would pray for him and ask that he be

forgiven, for he knows not what he does," said Dr. Abernathy. "But the countless others who feel the way this person felt?"

"There may be a conspiracy taking place in our country to actually defeat our movement . . . by picking off our leaders one by one," Dr. Abernathy said. "If that's the case, we must put a stop to it." He added, however, that he had no specific evidence of such a conspiracy.

Regardless, Dr. Abernathy indicated, the SCLC was continuing its programs.

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Re: WILLIAM O. WOOD - COMPLAINANAT

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WFO has made numerous attempts to contact WOOD at his residence and telephonically each day from 4/29/68, to 5/2/68, with negative results. WFO is continuing efforts to contact WOOD and will appropriately advise the Bureau and Memphis.

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# REPORT of the



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis (44-1987)

Date: April 23, 1968 FBI File No. 44-38861

Lab. No.

Re: MURKIN CR Lab. No. **D-560997** JK

Specimens received 4/17/68

K64-K154 Various documents, including envelopes, letters, post cards, etc., either handwritten or typewritten, representing correspondence from ninety-one various individuals, obtained from the application and correspondence file of Safemasters Company, Inc., Washington, D. C.

ALSO SUBMITTED: Twelve copies of letters to various individuals from Safemasters Company, Inc. (no attached letters or correspondence from persons to whom these letters are addressed)

Result of examination:

The writings appearing on K64 through K154 were compared with the questioned writing submitted in this investigation, but nothing of particular significance was noted between these known and questioned writings.

K64 through K154 are returned to the Washington Field Office. These specimens were not photographed.

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Date: April 23, 1968

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John Edgar Hoover, Director

FBI File No. 44-38861 Lab. No. D-560997 JK

Examination requested by: Washington Field Office

Reference:

Airtel 4/17/68

Examination requested:

Document

Remarks:

For the information of Memphis, the known specimens described in the attached report are from individuals seeking information from Safemasters Company, Inc., Washington, D.C., many of these individuals having completed a correspondence course with the Locksmithing Institute, Little Falls, New Jersey.

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On 4-28-56, a representative of CIA advised the Bureau that a German doctor, Klaus Steer, German Director, Scientific Department, Africa, E. Merck Aktiengesellschast, Karmstady, Germany, had advised the American Embassy, Addis Ababa Ethiopia, that he believed he, had seen an individual whom he thought to be Eric Starvo Calt at the Bristol Hotel, Lagos Nigeria, on the afternoon of 4-23-68. The individual was identified as Joe Musgaque, who is reportedly an employee of the Wilder Gil Company (address unknown).

Washington Field, check passport records for any identifying data concerning Musgaque; and also attempt to determine through the Department of State any information concerning the Milder Oil Company, which reportedly is operating in Nigeria. If no information available in State Department records regarding the Wilder Cil Company, determine whether State Department can obtain this information from the Nigerian Embassy.

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: SAC, WFO (44-703)

DATE:

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FROM

THOMAS K MARQUARDT, CLERK

SUBJECT: MURKIN

At 1:15am, this date, Los Angeles night duty agent, J C WILLIAMS, telephonically contacted WFO and advised that the LA office had just sent a brown manhlla envelope aboard TWA flight #62, due to arrive Friendship Airport at 6120am, instant. He advised that the envelope was with "A" hostess BOBBI RAMSEUR. It was requested that WFO pick up aformentioned envelope and deliver it to the Bureau.

At 1:18am, instant, SA JOHN PATTERSON cognizant.

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## Memorandum

TO :::SAC, WFO (44-703)

DATE: April 28, 1968

FROM : SA Wayne R. Gilbert

SUBJECT:

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Re JAMES TROY GOOCH JR.

On 4/23/68, SA WAYNE R. GILBERT and JAMES W. NORMENT JR. compared the fingerprints of JAMES TROW GOOCH JR. which were taken by the MPD at time of his arrest on 4/4/68. The prints examined were not comparable to prints of JAMES EARL RAY. A photograph of GOOCH was obtained and is not similar to RAY.

Review of the arrest report reflect that GOOCH attempted to steal a car out of a PMI lot at 500 13Th St. NW and when arrested was carrying a .38 cal. S&W snubnose and 45 rounds of ammunition. The gun bore serial # 392784 which was run through NCIC. NCIC contained a stolen report #266411 from the Denver PD reporting theft of this gun as 10/5/67. This information was provided to Officer RICHARD DEANE #1 Precinct, MPD on 4/24/68.

Attempt will be made to locate GOOCH at D.C. Jail for interview re possession of gun and complicity in MUFKIN. Attached for the file is rap sheet for GOOCH FBI# 206 076 F and a photograph taken by MPD on 4/4/68.

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SAC, WFO (44-703)

MURKIN: CR: OO: MEMPHIS.

RE NEW YORK TEL, APRIL THIRTY LAST.

RE: PASSENGERS ON AMERICAN AIRLINES FLIGHT THREE THREE EIGHT FROM DALLAS, TEXAS TO PHILADELPHIA, PA., APRIL SIX LAST. PASSENGER CRIDER IDENTIFIED FROM RECORDS AT HOTEL WASHINGTON, FIFTEENTH AND PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N. W., AS BEING GUEST IN HOTEL APRIL FOUR TO SIX LAST. NAME G. I. CRIDER, HOME ADDRESS ROUTE THREE, LEWISVILLE, TEXAS, BUSINESS ADDRESS DENTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC., BOX SIX NINE NINE, DENTON, TEXAS.

HOTEL EMPLOYEES UNABLE TO RECALL CRIDER TO EFFECT IDENTITY.

DALLAS DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL WITH JAMES EARL RAY. CC TO ME.

RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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# King Suspect a Juvenile Bad Boy

# and Jack Anderson

If you go back far enough into the life of James Earl tion of Martin Luther King, citizen. you will find the reason which crime was what starts most the East Side of New York, crime in the United Stateshiuvenile delinquency.

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By Drew Pearson important part in building a new in the music world then sentatives of Catholic Protes child. He can be raised in the and was Dorsey's vocalist. slums, in abject poverty, even without much education, and if he has a strong father and mother he will not only sur-

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#### Sinatra Returns

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Sinatra confided to Cohen what most people don't know -how he had tried to enlist in World War II but was rejected was at that time.

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#### Merry-Go-Round

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ro : SAC, WFO (44-703)

DATE: 4/24/68

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FROM : SA ROBERT L. KUHNS

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SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, Aka.

On 4/24/68, Mr. JOHN H. WILSON, JR. Veterans Administration, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, 2nd and M Streets, S.E., Washington, D. C., telephonically advised that about a week or more prior to the assasination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, he received a long distance telephone call from a woman. This woman asked if the Veterans Administration had a record of an ERIC STARVO GALT. WILSON checked for a record and told the woman they had no record. The woman also mentioned that she had sent in a telegram requesting the record check but had received no reply, so she was asking by telephone. WILSON could not further identify the woman caller but did determine from "Miss FRANKLIN" in his office that they had received the telegram. WILSON did not know what became of the telegram and assumes it is somewhere in Veterans Administration files.

WILSON also said that he paid no more attention to the call until last week when he happened to recall the incident. He said he asked his supervisor on Friday, 4/19/68, if he should tell the FBI. The supervisor said he would think about it and then said nothing more to WILSON. WILSON said that this information he has now given was without his supervisor's authority and he is somewhat concerned about his supervisor finding out he acted without authority.

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### Memorandum

: All Investigative Employees

DATE: April 22, 1968

Director, FBI

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, aka - FUGITIVE

I.O. #4182; W. F. #442-A CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY

"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES" PROGRAM

RELEASE DATE: SATURDAY P.M., APRIL 20, 1968

THE CRIMES: Ray escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, on April 23, 1967, while serving a 20-year sentence for armed robbery and operating a motor vehicle without the owner's permission. He subsequently allegedly conspired, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, to violate the civil rights of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., shot to death on the balcony of a Memphis, Tennessee, motel on April 4, 1968.

THE CRIMINAL: A 40-year-old white native of Illinois, who is known as a "loner" and "drifter" and has taken elaborate steps to establish a false identity, Ray has an extensive criminal record, including convictions for burglary, robbery and forging U.S. Postal Money Orders. Outstanding characteristics include a straight narrow nose, straight and even teeth. a noticeably protruding left ear and a nervous habit of tugging at an ear lobe. He has taken dancing lessons, attended bartending school, enrolled in a correspondence course in locksmithing and traveled widely in a 1966 Mustang recovered in Atlanta, Georgia, a week after Dr. King's murder. Ray likes western and country music, drinks vodka and beer and has worked as a baker, laborer and color matcher.

PROCESS: A Federal warrant issued at Jefferson City, Missouri, on July 20, 1967, charges Ray with unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement for robbery. Another Federal warrant, issued at Birmingham, Alabama, on April 17, 1968, charges Ray, as Eric Starvo Galt, with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen.

"TEN MOST WANTED FUGITIVES": Ray is a special addition to the list of "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives." The list as of Saturday p. m., April 20, 1968, was:

John William Clouser	I.O. #3837	Charles Lee Herron	LO. #4163
Howard Callens Johnson	I.O. #4039	George Edward Wells	I.O. #4175
George Benjamin Williams	I.O. #4072	David Evans	LO. #4177
Gordon Dale Ervin	I.O. #4087	Franklin Allen Paris	I.O. #4178
Carmen Raymond Gagliardi	I.O. #4101	David Stuart Neff	I.O. #4179
	James Earl Ray	I.O. #4182	44-70-3-389

THEY ARE ALL ARMED AND DANGEROUS. If you receive any information, give it

at once to your SAC or appropriate supervisor. PHOTOGRAPHS, FINGERPRINTS AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA OF A LIST ARE ON THE REVERSE SIDE.

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DAVID EVANS, also known as: "Pee Wee." N; born 10-11-44; 5'7-5'8"; 140-150 lbs: med bld; blk hair; brn eyes; lt comp; occ - lab, upholsterer. Wented by FBI for BANK ROBBERY and UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Burglary, Larceny, and Receiving Stolen Goods). IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4177 FBI#-388 901 E DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1966



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CHARLES LEE HERRON, also known as: Lee Jones. N; born 4-21-37 (?); 5'7"-5'8"; 145-150 lbs; sldr bld; blk hair; brn eyes; dk comp; occ - clerk. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECU-TION (Murder; Assault with Intent to Commit Murder). IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4163 FBI#-313 926 G DATE PHOTO TAKEN: UNKNOWN



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GEORGE EDWARD WELLS, also known as: George W. Cox, Lloyd Kuczmarski. W; born 5-14-16; 5'8"; 165-175 1bs: med bld; brn hair, gr; brn eyes; med comp; occ - maintenance worker, painter. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Armed Robbery); INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY. IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4175 FBI#-1 467 173 DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1967



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CARMEN RAYMOND GAGLIARDI, also known as: 17 M 29 W IOM Carmelo Raimondo Gagliardi (true name). I 32 W 00I 20 Carman R. Gagliardi.

W; born 10-1-40; 5'10 1/2"; 185-200 lbs; hvy bld; blk hair; brn eyes; med comp; occ - lab. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Murder). IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4101 FBI#-566 944 D DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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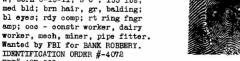
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GEORGE BENJAMIN WILLIAMS. 23 M 21 W IMO also known as: Allen I 31 W 000 19 Benjamin Colby, Ben Jackson, George Benjamin William. W; born 6-15-11; 5'6"; 155 lbs; med bld; brn hair, gr, balding; bl eyes; rdy comp; rt ring fngr amp; occ - constr worker. dairy worker, mech, miner, pipe fitter.

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FRANKLIN ALLEN PARIS, also known as: Franklin Allen Morrison, Al Paris, Allie Paris, Frank Allen Paris, 11 S 1 U 000 14 Ref: 9 Franklen Allen Paris. M 1 U 00I 12 W; born 1-20-34; 6'2"; 190-210 lbs: med bld; brn hair; brn eyes; med comp; occ - horse trader, horse trainer, rancher. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Burglary) IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4178 FBI#-595 084 A

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HOWARD CALLENS JOHNSON, also known as: "Dirty Red." N; born 4-14-16 (?); 5'9": 160-170 lbs; med bld; blk hair; brn eves: med comp, freckled; oco - brickmason, carpenter, lab. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID PROSECUTION (Murder). IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4039 FBI#-1 501 726 DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1959



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JOHN WILLIAM CLOUSER, also known as: Jack Clauser, John William Clauser. Chuck A. Williams. W; born 3-29-32; 5'9"; 175-200 lbs; stky bld; blond hair, may be dyed blk; bl eyes; rdy comp; occ - clerical worker, stock clerk. Wanted by FBI for INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN MOTOR VEHICLE. IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-3837 FBI#-229 125 C DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1963



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GORDON DALE ERVIN, also known as: Dale Ervin. W; born 5-30-26; 5'11"-6'0": 170 lbs: med bld; brn hair; bl eyes; med comp; occ - carpenter, lifeguard, mach shop worker, locomotive fireman, salesman, shipyard worker, typist. Wanted by FBI for UNLAWFUL FLIGHT TO AVOID CONFINEMENT (Armed Robbery). IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4087 FBI#-290 533 A DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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DAVID STUART NEFF, also known as: Steven Andrews, Solomon Baker, Steven Greene, George Medina, David J. Neff, 19 0 17 W IOO 18 David Stewart Neff, Donald O'Brien. W; born 12-26-36; 5'8"-5'9"; 190-200 lbs; hvy bld; brn hair; brn eyes; med comp; occ - horse trainer, lab, painter, plumber, surveyor. Wanted by FBI for BANK ROBBERY. IDENTIFICATION ORDER #-4179 FBI#-524 874 D DATE PHOTO TAKEN: 1965



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## The Search

# Weird Trail of King's Killer

MEMPHIS—Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation last week continued to study almost too much evidence as they sought to trace the long-nosed man who they believed murdered the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. more than three weeks ago.

The trail of evidence extended across the entire country, and the story which unfolded from the clues gathered by hundreds of F.B.I. agents seemed in some instances to tell conflicting stories.

For at least two weeks, there have been two separate investigations, one centered in Alabama and one centered in Alabama and Georgia. F.P.I. agents have been investigating two Eric Starvo Galts two rifles, two white Mustang cars, two drivers' licenses, and an airplane ticket. Some thought this might have been the result of a deliberate attempt by the murderer and possible accomplices to lay down false and conflicting trails.

The F.B.I. has not indicated if it has uncovered a motive for Dr. King's murder. But there has been speculation within the agency that it was a hired killing. Two businessmen, one in Birmingham and one in New Orleans, have been mentioned privately as possible sources of the several thousands of dollars which Galt spent between last August and April of this year.

The Birmingham News said in a story a week ago that it had learned that the F.B.I. thought that Galt may have escaped from the United States and made his way to Cuba. "If he's still alive," the F.B.I. informant added, according to the News.

#### Clerk Saw Him

Galt apparently was alive at least up until the day of Dr. King's funeral. A clerk at a hotel in Atlanta said that he had rented a room to Galt the day before the funeral and that two

b) nette women joined him. The F.B.I. confiscated three glasses from the room to test them for fingerprints.

Dr. King was shot to death at 6:01 P.M. in Memphis, Tenn... on April 4, 1968, by a bullet fired from a Remington 30.06 caliber rifle. A rifle of this description was stolen from a Memphis gun dealer on April 2. Another rifle of the same description was bought at the Aeromarine Supply Company in Birmingham, Ala., on March 30. 1968. by Eric Starvo Galt. The Birmingham rifle was found outside the Memphis flophouse where the shot was fired which killed Dr. King as he stood on the balcony of a motel a block awav.

The young white man with a pointed nose, who the F.B.I. said shot Dr. King, drove away from the scene of the murder in a white Mustang. Another white Mustang parked about 200 feet further down the same Memphis street drove away about 10 minutes later.

A man using the name Eric Starvo Galt Sought a white Mustang in Birmingham on Aug. 30, 1967. He paid \$1,995 for it to the sales manager of a Birmingham lumber firm. This car was abandoned on April 5 in Atlanta and impounded by the F.B.I. on April 11,

#### Two Remember Galt

In the car there were some trading stamps which were traced through the manufacturer to a Standard Oil service station in Birmingham. The station is near the Economy Grill and Rooms where Galt lived for six weeks last summer and fall. At the station, two attendants remembered Galt. They said he bought gasoline there and that they had done minor repairs on the car. The Mustang, the attendants said, also needed some work on its clutch. The white Mustang which Galt bought from Mr. Paisley did not have a clutch. It had an automatic shift. Were it not for the trading stamps, agents might have dismissed the service station's attendants statements as a case of mistaken identity.

Eric Starva Calt bought an Alabama driver's license last September when he was creating his false identity. He took the test on Sept. 6 and got his permanent license mailed to him on Sept. 30. Last March 1, when Galt was finishing up a bartender's course in Hollywood, Calif., Alabama was asked to send him a duplicate of the license. The duplicate was mailed to the Economy Grill and Rooms in Birmingham, and although Galt was in California the duplicate license was received and a bill accompanying it was returned to the driver's license division in Montgomery along with 25 cents.

For several days, investigators had assumed that Dr. King's slayer had driven to Memphis in a white Mustang. Now, there is some suggestion that he may have flown. An employe of

Delta Airline in Birmingham said that a man answering Gat's description flew from Birmingham to Memphis on April 3 on Delta Flight 525, a jet which goes between Birmingham and Chicago. The man bought a ticket to Chicago but left the plane at Memphis when it arrived shortly before 2 P.M. on April 3.

F.B.I. agents spent several hours questioning luggage handlers about the April 3 flight; they wanted to know if any of them had seen a suitcase which could have had a rifle in it. A Delta official agreed last week to check the airline's manifest to see if Galt or any of his aliases were shown as a passenger that day. The official reported that the F.B.I. had confiscated the manifest not only at the Birmingham office but also at headquarters of Delta in Atlanta.

#### Different Descriptions

Varied physical descriptions of Galt have been widely reported. The Birmingham Galt was a quiet, almost shy man who did not drink. The California Galt who took a bartender's course and dancing lessons was a loudmouth who drank vodka and orange juice at dingy Hollywood bars.

The F.B.I. said it had determined through fingerprint comparisons that Galt was really James Earl Day a convict who escaped from a Missouri prison in April, 1967. Last Thursday,

the warden at the Missouri prison said that when Ray escaped last year an erroneous set of fingerprints was circulated to law enforcement agencies. The warden said a new set of prints was sent out later but law enforcement officials in Georgia and Alabama said they never received the second set.

The F.B.I. did not comment. To complicate matters further, no one who knew the California Galt or the Birmingham Galt has been able to recognize any of Ray's photographs.

#### F.B.I.'s Belief

Reconcing the conflicting evidence apparently has posed no problem for the F.B.I. It was said in Washington last Friday, in a not-for-attribution statement, that it still believes that there was only one Eric Starvo Galt and that he was James Earl Ray, the escaped Missouri convict. The finger-prints of the two men match, the F.B.I. said.

Earlier, there had been information leaks from the F.B.I. that the fingerprints found on the rifle dropped on the Membris street had been tested and had been found to be those of Ray

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United Press International

HUNTED MAN: The F.B.I. has added this flyer to its "10 most wanted" list, saying that Ray, under the alias Eric Starvo Galt, is the prime suspect in the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. But new conflicting evidence last week suggested there may be more than one "Galt."

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5:21 PM URGENT 4-30-68 AWS
TO BALTIMORE, DALLAS, EL PASO, OKLAHOMA CITY, PHILADELPHIA,
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FROM NEW YORK 44-1609

FOR THE INFORMATION OF OFFICES NOT RECEIVING

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MRS. HAVERSTOOK, AREA CODE SIX ZERO TWO, TELEPHONE NUMBER FIVE SIX SIX DASH THREE SIX ZERO TWO.

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Re Bureau airtel, 4/29/68.

For the information of HO, NO, and AQ, referenced airtel advised that on 4/28/68, a representative of CIA advised Bureau that a German doctor, KLAUS STEER, German Director, Scientific Department, Africa, E. Merck Aktiengesellschast, Karmstady, Germany, had advised the American Embassy, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, that he believed he had seen an individual whom he thought to be ERIC STARVO GALT at the Bristol Hotel, Lagos, Nigeria, on the afternoon of 4/23/68. The individual was identified as JOE MUSGAQUE, who is reportedly an employee of the Wilder Oil Company (address unknown).

A check of the files of the Passport Office USDS, concerning JOE MUSGAQUE was made on 5/8/61 by SA KENNETH J. HASER with negative results.

- 3 Bureau
- 2 Memphis (44-1987)
- 2 New Orleans (157-10673)
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Files Passport Office, however, disclose that one JOE BAILEY MUSGROVE was issued Passport at New Orleans, Louisiana, on 10/4/67 for proposed travel to Nigeria for one year to work. The name "McDERMOTT" appears under purpose of travel. In application 10/3/67 at New Orleans, he stated intended depart NYC via KLM/Pan American Airways/Swissair about 10/6/67, not by organized tour. According to a notice published in the Federal Register on 3/16/67, this passport was valid for 3 years for all countries except Cuba, Mainland China, North Korea, and North Vietnam.

This individual stated he was born

Seminole County, Oklahoma; and file reflects his birth certificate has been seen by passport authorities. He gave his permanent residence as Box 1002, Farmington, N. M., and arranged pick up his passport in New Orleans. Listed father as WILLIAM BANKS MUSGROVE, born Alabama, 1910, and mother as GLADYS IRENE THOMAS, born Texas, 1910. He stated he was last married 4/16/56 to BETTY LOUISE RAMSEY, born New Mexico,

Marriage not terminated. In event of death or accident, he requested that Mrs. BETTY MUSGROVE, his wife, be notified at his premanent residence. He identified himself with N. M. driver's license

Following description appeared in his file:

Height: 5'10"
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Hazel
Occupation: Welder

On the basis of photograph comparison, MUSGROVE does not appear to be identical with JAMES EARL RAY.

Mr. ALLEN HARDY, Nigerian Desk, Office of Inter-African Affairs, Department of State, advised on 5/1/68 that the Wilder Oil Company or the McDERMOTT Company in Nigeria are unknown to him. He stated that there are many small American companies with contracts and sub-contracts in Nigeria. He suggested that the Department of Commerce be contacted to identify and locate such companies.

On 5/1/68, Mr. JAMES H. ASHIDA, Foreigh Service Office, USDS, attached to the African Division, Bureau of International Commerce, U. S. Department of Commerce, advised SA ROBERT W. DAWSON he could locate no record for a Wilder Oil Company of the U. S. doing business in Nigeria. He stated, however, that the McDERMOTT Overseas, Inc., has address of Habbib House, I-9, Berkley Street, P. O. Box 2841, Lagos, Nigeria; further that the J. Ray McDermott and Company, Oil Division, has offices at 14th floor, Houston Club Building, Houston, Texas, and at 200 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana.

HO and NO conduct investigation through J. Ray McDermott Company to determine if MUSGROVE is identical with JOE MUSGAQUE, and if MUSGROVE is residing at Bristol Hotel, Lagos, Nigeria.

Copies of this communication are being furnished to AQ in the event further information is required in that Division to eliminate MUSGROVE as a suspect in this matter.

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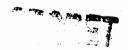
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# Galt Trip From Coast to New Orles

#### By MARTIN WALDRON ecial to The New York Time

LOS ANGELES, April 25—
James Earl Ray, accused by the Federal Bureau of Investigation of conspiracy in the murder of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., was reported to have driven last December. Stein said.

for the night. Galt, he said, by F.B.I. agents about the trip.

"They are now saying I am six-pack and he would drink may have paid for it," Mr. Stein said.

Stein said. to have driven last December Stein said. from Los Angeles to New Or- Mr. Stein

in an interview that Galt had Mr. Stein said. the E told him the man's name, "but Mr. Stein, who once lived King." I don't remember right now in New Orleans, said that he Mr. what it was."

New Orleans industrial canal, Mr. Stein said that he and which is part of the Mississippi River port facilities.

| Mr. Stein said that he and Ray, an escaped convict from Missouri did not appear to be Rosas, 30 years old, with whom those of Galt.

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Dr. King was fatally wounded by a rifle bullet in Memphis april 4. A complaint filed by Joseph H. Gamble, F.B.I. agent in Birmingham, said that Galt, with an "alleged brother," had conspired to violate Dr. King's civil rights civil rights.

A week ago, in discussing the trip he had taken with Galt Mr. Stein said that Galt had driven to New Orleans as a favor to Mrs. Rosas to pick up two of the widow's daughters who were staying in New Or-

leans with relatives.

Mr. Stein said that Galt had agreed to make the trip if mr. Stein and his sister would sign a petition seeking to get the name of former Gov. George C. Wallace of Alabama on the California ballot as a Presitil candidate.

Mrs. Rosas said that she and her brother had signed the Wallace petitions because they were both from the Deep South, not because they had wanted a favor from Galt.

Mrs. Rosas said that Galt had been discussing his pro-posed trip to New Orleans in a Hollywood bar where she worked. She said she had told him about her two daughters in New Orleans and that he had invited her to go with him and bring them back.

On Dec. 15, when the trip was to begin, Galt came by her house to pick her up, she said, but she said that she had not intended to go and asked Galt if her brother could go instead. Galt readily agreed,

e said. Mr. Stein said that he and

Galt drove straight through to he lives in Hollywood, have New Orleans without stopping been questioned numerous time for the night. Galt, he said, by F.B.I. agents about the

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He would not elaborate.

Mrs. Rosas said last night

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Charles Stein a bearded song writer, said that he had made that Galt seemed to the trip with Eric Starvo Galt, said by the F.B.I. to be an alias of Ray's. Mr. Stein said Mr. Stein said. Mr. Stein said. The wanted to leave and alias of Ray's. Mr. Stein said Mr. Stein said. The wanted to leave and stein an interview that Galt had Mr. Stein said. The wanted to leave and she said with the said hours yesterday by agents. The was interviewed several hours yesterday by agents. the Eric Galt I knew shot Dr.

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"But it was a man with an over for a couple of days while but that Galt had not seemed litalian name and he either he visited relatives. lived on the industrial canal not seemed worried about money. In New Orleans, Mr. Stein said business there," Mr. Stein said, that Galt stayed three days, There are scores of businesses but no residences on the a \$12-a-day room.

Mr. Stein said that he and But had not seemed worried about money. In New Orleans, Mr. Stein's sister, Mrs. Marie Lee. Mrs. Lee said today that the pictures released by the F.B.I of the coupled but he worled about money. In New Orleans, Mr. Stein's sister, Mrs. Marie Lee and But had not seemed worried about money. In New Orleans, Mr. Stein's sister, Mrs. Marie Lee. Mrs. Lee said today that the pictures released by the F.B.I of the couple of days while but that Galt had not seemed worried about money.

Ny Times 4-26-68

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Mr. Stein, 38, said that he could not disclose all the details of his conversation with 25 (AP)—An American arrested

stopped several times in Texas leased today after questioning. on the way to New Orleans to make long-distance telephone

International Hunt Opens

The F.B.I. has begun an in-borca arrested him. ternational search for informathe bureau has asked assistance were only doing their duty. in "giving the fullest possible publicity'

countries.

Mexico Frees Suspect

Galt during the trip to New by Mexican officials because on offer from a magazine for they thought he resembled pictures of the man wanted in the exclusive rights to his story, tures of the man wanted in the Mr. Stein said that Galt had slaying of Dr. King was re-

Daniel David Kenndy, 41 years old, of Baltimore, praised the Mexicans upon his release. He had been detained 24 hours HONG KONG, April 25 (UPI) after the police in nearby Ca-

tion on the whereabouts of be mad, but I can't be angry James Earl Ray. The United with these people," Mr. Kenstates Consulate General issued nedy said. "They thought I "I guess anyone else would a statement today saying that looked like James Ray and they

the fullest possible Mr. Kennedy was hiking to to information about Baja California. He said he had done various jobs throughout A consulate spokesman said the country.

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Australia has been asked by the FBI to make a "rou-tine check" of whether James Earl Ray, sought in the murder of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., has applied for a visa to go to applied for a visa to go to that country.

An Embassy official here emphasized that "Australian authorities have no evidence at all that the person con-cerned (Ray) is in Austra-

lia."

American sources also underscored the routine nature of the request. They said it would be logical to assume that similar requests had or would be made of other nations in which hay might seek refuge. The BBI had no comment on the embassy official's statement.

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TO:

SAC, RICHMOND (44-651)

FROM:

SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

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ReNY teletype dated 4/30/68 and OC teletype to Director dated 4/26/68. RH (Alexandria RA) telephone call to WFO 5/1/68.

FNU TURNER, area code 703, Telephone Number 481-2948, listed as passenger on American Airlines Flight 338 from Dallas, Texas, to Philadelphia, Pa., on 4/6/68. RH determine TURNER identified as DONALD E. TURNER, 5650 Gary Avenue, Alexandria, Va., employed as Economist, Dept. of Agriculture (USDA), WDC.

identical Investigation by WFO at USDA since 1957 and is notical with JAMES EARL RAY. TURNER advised he was originally scheduled to fly above flight from Dallas to Friendship Airport, Baltimore, on 4/6/68, but changed plans and returned by earlier Braniff flight.

No further investigation be conducted by WFO.

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