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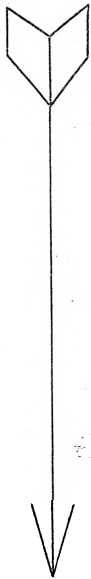
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| 1. Photos of tee shirt and short s | bearing laundry marks. (4/13/68)      |
| 2. PHoto(s) 2 different Artist     | conceptions of UnSub. (Rec'd 4-15-68) |
| 3. PHoto(s) of Eric Starvo         | Galt. (Rec'd 4-17-68)                 |
| 4. " " James Earl                  | Ray (4-20-68)                         |
| 5) Standup photo of " "            | " + Walter J. Rife (4-20-68)          |
| 6) Photo(s) of " "                 | " "                                   |
| 7) " " Walter J.                   | Rife "                                |
| 8) Photo(s) + NEGATIVE of          | JAMES EARL RAY 4/22/68)               |
| 9) Photo(s) of JAMES EARL RAY      | (Rec'd 4-26-68)                       |
| 10. " " " "                        | " " taken fall 67 in Mexico (4/27/68) |
| 11. " " " "                        | " (4-30-68)                           |
| 12. Photos of Robert Dale Porter   | (5/3/68)                              |
| 13. List of phone booths & #       | s along Interstate 10 south side      |
| + Prisoner BACK on I-10            | (Rec'd 5-3-68)                        |
| 14. Photo of Ray taken fall        | 1967 (5-4-68)                         |
| Disposition:                       |                                       |
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1027PM URGENT 4-4-68 WKS

TO ALL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

0 ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RACIAL MATTERS.

IN VIEW OF POSSIBILITY OF RETALIATORY MEASURES TAKEN  
AS RESULT OF THE ASSASSINATION OF KING, IMMEDIATELY ALERT  
ALL SOURCES (RACIAL, SECURITY, AND CRIMINAL), WHO ARE IN  
POSITION TO POSSIBLY LEARN OF INFORMATION OF THIS NATURE.  
ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION DEVELOPED SHOULD RECEIVE EXPEDITIOUS  
DISSEMINATION, BOTH LOCALLY AND TO BUREAU.

END

HO XELD+18W"

THIS IS EL PASO IS EVERYONE STILL THERE

SAC FAISS+  
ADVISED 9<sup>30</sup>PM LT

4/4/68  
Casper held  
& RA's alerted  
RHS

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PLS ACK FOR ALL SAC

HO DID YOU RECEIVE ALL SAC SENT AT 1027 IF SO PLS ACK

HO HOUSTON ARE YOU THERE

EP VLMP

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FBI EL PASO

724 PM 4-6-68 URGENT RPC

TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS

FROM EL PASO (157-186)

ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., RACIAL MATTERS.

MR. LEONARD BARKSDALL, ENGINEER, SOUTHERN PACIFIC RR OBSERVED SKETCH OF ASSASSIN ON FRANK MCGEE, TV NEWS REPORT. STATED THE LIKNESS FOR PERSON OBSERVED AT VALENTINE, TEXAS, CAFE, THIS MORNING APPEARED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH UNSUB ASSASSIN SKETCH.

BARKSDALL REPORTED HAVING BREAKFAST AT VALENTINE, TEX, APPROX. EIGHT FORTYFIVE AM CST, THIS DATE, WHEN OBSERVED THIS PARTY ALSO EATING. STATED HE HAD SHORT CONVERSATION WITH PERSON WHO MENTIONED HE HAD DRIVEN FROM WEST VIRGINIA AND WAS ENROUTE TO FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZONA AND HAD TO BE THERE BY NIGHT OF APRIL SIX AND WAS GOING TO VISIT FRIEND AT EL PASO ENROUTE.

BARKSDALL DESCRIBED PERSON OBSERVED AS WHITE MALE, ABOUT FORTY FIVE YEARS, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, TWO HUNDRED TO TWO ONE ZERO LBS, STOCKY BUILD, RECEDING HAIR, WEARING LIGHT BLUE SUIT, WHITE SHIRT, NO TIE. OBSERVED THIS PERSON FROM LEFT PROFILE. PARTY SEEMED VERY NERVOUS AND SMOKED FOUR CIGARETTES WHILE EATING. BARKSDALL REPORTED OBSERVED VEHICLE OUTSIDE CAFE WHICH WAS BELIEVED TO BE ABOUT NINETEEN SIXTY MODEL DESOTO OR CHRYSLER. HE NOTED LARGE TAIL FINS. LICENSE PLATE UNKNOWN. CAR WHITE TOP WITH CREME COLOR

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BARKSDALE REPORTS THAT PERSON WAS ALSO OBSERVED BY FIREMAN  
A.A. PETERSON ALSO OF EL PASO AND POSSIBLY BY A DEPUTY SHERIFF  
WILLIAMS OF VALENTINE AND UNIDENTIFIED SP BRAKEMAN OUT OF SANDERSON,  
TEXAS.

EL PASO HAS NO DESCRIPTIVE DATA RE UNSUB ASSASSIN OF KING AND IN NO  
POSITION TO EVALUATE THIS INFORMATION. ABOVE BEING FURNISHED FOR  
INFO OF BUREAU AND MEMPHIS.

BUREAU ADVISE IF FURTHER INQUIRY DESIRED.

END.

JMS

FBI WASH DC

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FBI MEMPHIS

*On 5/27/68 Mr. Leonard Barksdale, 300  
Clairmont Street, El Paso, advised he had  
seen photos of James Earl Ray in the  
newspapers & was quite certain that the man  
he had seen at Valentine, Texas was not ident.  
with Ray. The man he saw did not have  
a long, narrow nose. His nose was flatter  
and his face was broader than the nose  
& face of Ray. DJR*

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END.

JMS

FBI WASH DC

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333PM URGENT 4-7-68 SAA

TO ALL CONTINENTAL SACS

FROM DIRECTOR 1P

MURKIN

THIS IS THE CAPTION FOR THE CIVIL RIGHTS INVESTIGATION TO IDENTIFY PERSON OR PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, ON APRIL FOUR LAST.

ALL INVESTIGATION MUST BE HANDLE UNDER THE PERSONAL DIRECTION OF THE SAC. LEADS ARE TO BE AFFORDED IMMEDIATE, THOROUGH IMAGINATIVE ATTENTION. YOU MUST EXHAUST ALL POSSIBILITIES FROM SUCH LEADS AS ANY ONE LEAD COULD RESULT IN THE SOLUTION OF THIS MOST IMPORTANT INVESTIGATION. SAC WILL BE HELD PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY FAILURE TO PROMPTLY AND THOROUGHLY HANDLE INVESTIGATIONS IN THIS MATTER.

END

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*SAC advised  
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FBI MEMPHIS

647PM URGENT 4/7/68 CAF

TO ALL SACS

FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) 2P

MURKIN; CR. OO MEMPHIS.

RE BUTEL TO ALL SAC'S APRIL SEVEN, NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT.

FOR INFO ALL OFFICES, PERTINENT PERIODS IN INVESTIGATION  
ARE MARCH TWENTY NINE AND THIRTY IN BIRMINGHAM, ALA., AND  
APRIL FOUR, SIXTY EIGHT, IN MEMPHIS, TENN.

IN EVENT ANY DATA DEVELOPED RE SUSPECTS, IF INTERESTED  
OFFICES CAN ESTABLISH WHEREABOUTS OF SUSPECTS ON DATES ABOVE,  
THIS MAY ELIMINATE SUSPECT. IF THIS CANNOT BE DONE, EFFORTS  
SHOULD BE MADE TO SECURE PHOTOGRAPHS OF SUSPECTS IN QUESTION AND  
FORWARD PHOTOS TO MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM FOR POSSIBLE ELIMINATION.  
PERTINENT DESCRIPTIVE DATA SHOULD BE INCLUDED WITH PHOTOS.

IF UNABLE TO ELIMINATE ON BASIS OF ESTABLISHED WHEREABOUTS  
IN PERTINENT PERIODS, INTERESTED OFFICES SHOULD MAKE EFFORTS  
TO SECURE FINGERPRINTS OF SUSPECT IN QUESTION AND SUBMIT SAME TO  
BUREAU FOR ELIMINATION.

COMPOSITE DESCRIPTION, BASED ON DATA DEVELOPED IN BIRMINGHAM  
AND MEMPHIS, IS AS FOLLOWS:

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SAC advised

6:20 PM KT

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SUSPECT MALE WHITE, AGE TWENTY SIX TO FORTY YEARS, HEIGHT FIVE FT. EIGHT TO FIVE FT. ELEVEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY TO ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY LBS.; DARK BROWN OR SANDY HAIR, COMBED STRAIGHT BACK. EYES BLUE OR GREEN; MEDIUM BUILD; COMPLEXION AVERAGE, SMOOTH. GENERAL PHYSICAL APPEARANCE; NEAT.

POSSIBILITY EXISTS SUSPECT IS NON-SMOKER. INDICATIONS WERE THAT SUSPECT RENTED ROOM BETWEEN THREE AND THREE THIRTY PM, APRIL FOUR, LAST, AND DEPARTED ROOM SHORTLY AFTER SIX PM. NO MATCHES OR CIGARETTES FOUND DURING THAT PERIOD, WHICH SUGGESTS SUSPECT MAY BE NON-SMOKER.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION MUST BE PROMPTLY FURNISHED BUREAU, MEMPHIS AND BIRMINGHAM. P.

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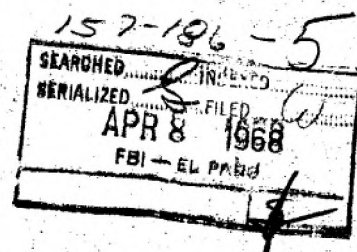
FROM : SA PAUL S. PULLEN

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On 4/5/68, the writer contacted ~~the~~ the following sources who advised they could furnish no information concerning this case:

EP 636-C  
PCI Charles Albert Bailly

PSP: psp  
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

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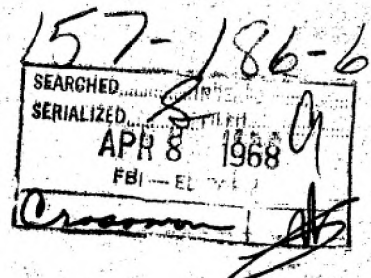
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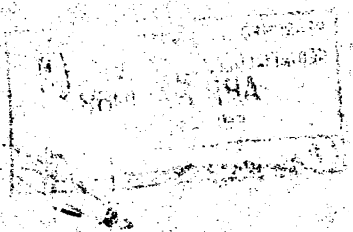
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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

FBI WASH DC

830PM URGENT 4/8/68 GJM

TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES

FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P

MURKIN

THIS IS THE CASE INVOLVING THE MURDER OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., ON APRIL FOUR, LAST, IN MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT A RIFLE ABANDONED NEAR SCENE OF CRIME WAS PURCHASED BY INDIVIDUAL USING THE NAME HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER.

LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER IS GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS WHITE MALE, THIRTYSIX YEARS OLD, FIVE FEET EIGHT INCHES TALL, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY - ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, BLACK OR DARK BROWN HAIR.

IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUAL NATURE OF THE NAMES LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY CHECK YOUR INDICES, ALL CITY DIRECTORIES, ALL TELEPHONE DIRECTORIES COVERING YOUR TERRITORIES, ALL DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS, ALL AUTOMOBILE

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REGISTRATION RECORDS, VOTER REGISTRATION RECORDS, AND CREDIT AND CRIMINAL RECORDS ON THE SURNAMES LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER, IN VIEW OF THE UNUSUAL NATURE OF THE NAMES, DO NOT CONFINE YOUR CHECK TO HARVEY LOWMEYER AND LOWMYER ONLY. ANY INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED AS BEARING THESE SURNAMES SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY CHECKED OUT COVERING THE PERTINENT PERIOD. YOU SHOULD ALSO APPROPRIATELY CHECKOUT ALL BOMBING SUSPECTS IN YOUR TERRITORIES.

HANDLE IMMEDIATELY AND GIVE TOP PRIORITY ATTENTION.

BUFILES CONTAIN NO INFORMATION IDENTIFIABLE ON HARVEY LOWMEYER OR LOWMYER.

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PM URGENT 4-9-68 BJP  
TO ALL CONTINENTAL OFFICES  
FROM DIRECTOR 44-38861 2P

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MURKIN

AMONG ARTICLES RECOVERED AT SCENE OF SHOOTING,  
APPARENTLY ABANDONED BY UNSUB, WERE A PAIR OF BROWNISH  
CHECKERED PRINT UNDERSHORTS AND WHITE JOCKEY TEE SHIRT  
BEARING CLOTH LAUNDRY TAGS. THESE TAGS WERE MADE BY A  
THERMO SEAL MARKING MACHINE MANUFACTURED BY THE TEXTILE  
MARKING MACHINE COMPANY, SYRACUSE, NEW YORK. THESE TAGS  
ARE ONE QUARTER INCH WIDE AND ONE AND ONE SIXTEENTH  
INCH LONG, RED IN COLOR AND BEAR MARKING WHICH APPEARS  
TO BE "O TWO B DASH SIX" OR "D TWO B DASH SIX." ONLY A  
PORTION OF THE FIRST CHARACTER IS PRESENT ON EACH TAG,  
AND THIS CHARACTER IS CUT ON A SLIGHT BIAS. NO OTHER  
VISIBLE LAUNDRY MARKS WERE FOUND ON EITHER GARMENT.

IMMEDIATE CHECKS OF LOGICAL LAUNDRIES SUGGESTED BY  
TEXTILE MARKING COMPANY HAVE TO DATE BEEN UNPRODUCTIVE.  
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& Maurer  
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UPON RECEIPT, ALL OFFICES SHOULD IMMEDIATELY TELEPHONICALLY  
CONTACT ALL LAUNDRIES IN YOUR DIVISIONS TO IDENTIFY  
LAUNDRY USING THIS CODE AND THESE TAGS AND PURSUE LOGICAL  
LEADS DEVELOPED.

IF PERTINENT LAUNDRY IDENTIFIED, IMMEDIATELY ADVISE  
BUREAU TELEPHONICALLY.

THIS MUST BE GIVEN TOP PRIORITY HANDLING TO INSURE  
THAT THESE CHECKS ARE IMMEDIATELY RUN OUT.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD ANYONE BE TOLD THIS  
INVESTIGATION IS IN CONNECTION WITH CAPTIONED MATTER.

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TO : SAC, ALBUQUERQUE  
FROM : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)  
SUBJECT: MURKIN - CR

Note "CHANGED" title. Previously carried under "ASSASSINATION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR."

All offices receiving copies of this Airtel note that Bureau has designated above caption as approved code word for investigation dealing with murder of Dr. KING.

Information under above caption should pertain only to investigation that may have bearing on identifying subject instant case. All other information pertaining to racial incidents, and racial activity arising out of assassination of Dr. KING should not be submitted under above caption, but should be submitted by interested offices under the appropriate caption pertaining to Racial Matters.

In addition, all offices in receipt of this information should re-canvass any Criminal Informants, Security Informants, and Racial Informants for possible knowledge concerning assassination, with specific emphasis directed toward informants in known hate groups.

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645 PM URGENT 4-9-68 LMT

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861 BIRMINGHAM MEMPHIS SAN FRANCISCO

FROM EL PASO 157-186 -P-

✓ MURKIN

REBUTELS TO ALL SACS APRIL SEVEN AND EIGHT LAST.

IN REVIEWING CASE RE JESSE CLAYBURN STEPHENS, JR., (BUFILE ONE ZERO FIVE-ONE SIX EIGHT FIVE THREE SEVEN), A MINUTEMEN MEMBER AND BOMB SUSPECT CANDIDATE WHO FORMERLY RESIDED EL PASO, NOW RESIDING BALTIMORE TERRITORY, FOLLOWING INFO CAME TO LIGHT RE ROSWELL S. MONROE:

ON JANUARY TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYSEVEN, STEPHENS SAID AN IMPORTANT PERSON IN "PARTY", WAS FLYING INTO EL PASO NEXT DAY TO TALK WITH HIM FOR SEVERAL HOURS. NEXT DAY STEPHENS WAS OBSERVED AT AIRPORT TALKING TO MAN LATER IDENTIFIED AS MONROE.

MONROE TRAVELLED ON AMERICAN AIRLINES CREDIT CARD ISSUED TO RITTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY, SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA, MADE STOPS IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA AND EL PASO AND THEN STAYED IN DALLAS, TEXAS, AREA FROM JANUARY TWENTY FOUR TO TWENTYSIX, SIXTY SEVEN, BEFORE, RETURNING TO CALIFORNIA.

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DALLAS OFFICE SUBSEQUENTLY DETERMINED FROM ATTU, DALLAS, THAT ONE R. MONROE FLEW FROM SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA, TO DALLAS, FORT WORTH AREA ON EITHER JANUARY TWENTYTHREE OR TWENTYFOUR, SIXTY SEVEN FOR PURPOSE OF TRANSFERRING "LARGE SUM OF MONEY", TO UNKNOWN PERSON OR PERSONS IN THAT AREA. MONEY REPORTEDLY FOR PURCHASE OF LAND FOR CLANDESTINE TRAINING AREA FOR MINUTEMEN.

SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE DETERMINED ROSWELL S. MONROE BN. OCTOBER TWENTYNINE, NINETEEN TWENTYTWO. CREDIT RECORD LISTED RESIDENCE TWO NINE ONE EIGHT SHERWOOD DRIVE, SAN CARLOS, CALIFORNIA, EMPLOYED AS SALES MANAGER, RITTER COMPANY, SAN MATEO, FOR TEN YEARS. RECORDS REGISTRAR OF VOTERS, REDWOOD CITY, CALIFORNIA, LISTED MONROE'S HEIGHT AS SIX FT., ONE INCH. SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE FURNISHED NO INFO TO INDICATE MONROE HAD ANY CONNECTION WITH MINUTEMEN.

MONROE SURREPTITIOUSLY PHOTOGRAPHED AT EL PASO AIRPORT DURING THREE HOUR LAYOVER JANUARY TWENTY FOUR, SIXTY SEVEN. FOLLOWING DESCRIPTION OBTAINED: WMA, AGE THIRTYFIVE TO FORTY,, FIVE FT. TEN INCHES TO SIX FEET, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY TO SEVENTY LBS., DARK BROWN HAIR, MEDIUM COMPLEXION, LONG NARROW FACE WITH PROMINENT AQUILINE NOSE, HEAVY BEARD STUBBLE SHOWING, DARK SUIT, WHITE SHIRT, BLACK TIE, NO HAT, GLASSES WITH HEAVY DARK PLASTIC FRAMES WHICH HE TOOK OFF WHILE WAITING FOR PLANE, NEAT DRESSER.

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PHOTOS OF MONROE BEING FORWARDED AMSD TO BIRMINGHAM AND  
MEMPHIS FOR DISPLAY TO WITNESSES. SAN FRANCISCO FURNISH THESE  
OFFICES ANY ADDITIONAL PERTINENT INFO AVAILABLE RE MONROE, AND  
ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN WHEREABOUTS OF MONROE MARCH TWENTYNINE AND  
THIRTY AND APRIL FOUR, LAST, UACB. COPY DALLAS AND BALTIMORE  
BY AIRMAIL.

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105-168537) IN REVIEWING CASE RE JESSE CLAYBURN STEPHENS, JR., (BUFILE  
 ^ MINUTEMEN MEMBER AND BOMB SUSPECT CANDIDATE WHO FORMERLY RESIDED  
 NOW RESIDING BALTIMORE TERRITORY,  
 EL PASO, ^ FOLLOWING INFO CAME TO LIGHT RE ROSWELL S. MONROE:

ON JANUARY TWENTYTHREE, SIXTYSEVEN, STEPHENS SAID  
 AN IMPORTANT PERSON IN QUOTE PARTY ENQUOTE WAS FLYING INTO EL  
 PASO NEXT DAY TO TALK WITH HIM FOR SEVERAL HOURS. NEXT DAY  
 STEPHENS WAS OBSERVED AT AIRPORT TAKING TO MAN LATER IDENTIFIED  
 AS MONROE.

MONROE TRAVELLED ON AMERICAN AIRLINES CREDIT CARD  
 ISSUED TO RITTER EQUIPMENT COMPANY, SAN MATEO, CALIFORNIA,  
 MADE STOPS IN PHOENIX, ARIZONA AND EL PASO AND THEN STAYED IN  
 DALLAS, TEXAS, AREA FROM JANUARY TWENTYFOUR TO TWENTYSIX, SIXTY  
 SEVEN, BEFORE RETURNING TO CALIFORNIA.

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