

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA JAMES JOSEPH DOLAN

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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OO: Memphis
Bufile 44-38861

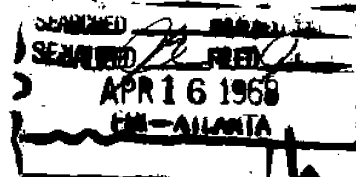
On 4/12/68 SA JAMES JOSEPH DOLAN contacted the following hotels in an effort to locate a registration in the name of ERIC STARVO GALT, ERIC S. GAULT, WILLIAM WILLARD or a registration in the last name LOWMEYER or LEHMEYER. Composite photograph of suspect were shown to the registration clerks with unsuccessful results. No registration was located at the following hotels from March 15 to date. The hotels contacted on this date were as follows:

Ponce de Leon Hotel, 551 Ponce de Leon Avenue

Clermont Hotel, 789 Ponce de Leon Avenue

Southland Hotel, Ponce de Leon Avenue

Druid Hills Hotel, 644 North Highland Avenue



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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Enclosed for the Bureau is one negative and original of color photograph of ERIC S. GALT and TOMAS LAU as well as two color polaroid photographs of ERIC S. GALT processed from above original photograph. Two copies of the polaroid reproductions are being furnished Memphis, Birmingham, Atlanta and New Orleans, inasmuch as those offices have interviewed individuals who have observed GALT.

The above original and negative were furnished by TOMAS LAU, Director of International School of Bartending, 2125 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California. LAU advised GALT attended this school from 1/14/68, until he graduated on 3/2/68. He attended this school six hours per day, five days per week. Photograph taken at graduation March 1968.

LAU recalls GALT driving dark, possibly black, late and smaller model Ford having red interior and bearing out of state license plates, possibly black and white in color.

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The following is a description of GALT as
furnished by LAU:

Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Height	5'10"
Weight	180 - 185 pounds
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown, close cropped, greying at temples
Build	Husky
Complexion	Light
Education	High School
Marital status	Single
Characteristics	Neat and clean shaven; well dressed; right handed; speaks with slight southern accent; thin lips; well coordinated; no visible jewelry

The Bureau is requested to return the original
photograph and negative to the Los Angeles Office so that it may
be returned to Mr. LAU for the completion of his records.

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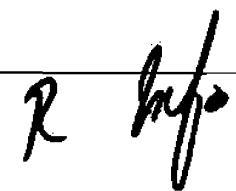
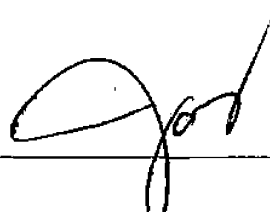
From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Re Atlanta teletype 4/15/68.


Latent prints this case not identical fingerprints
William Jennings Bryan Lee, FBI #6328B. No palm prints here
for Lee.

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**To: SAC's Birmingham (44-1740)
Memphis (44-1987)**

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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Re Birmingham teletype 4-13-68.

Remaining unidentified latent fingerprints and the latent impressions in this case are not identical with the fingerprints of Edward Union (Eddie) Hill, FBI #55-40752. No palm prints are available in our Identification Division files for Hill.

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TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386) DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : IC MARION W. DAVIS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Miss JO PRESLEY, Identification Division, APD, advised she could locate no record in the Identification Files of the Station Captain's files for JIMMIE DELTON GARNER. Mr. JOHN A. RITTER, Credit Bureau of Atlanta, advised records reflect JIMMIE D. GARNER (single) 1170 Peachtree Street, N.E. (1952) established file March, 1952. GARNER has been in Atlanta for several years and his most current address is reflected at 107 - 14th Street, N.E., Atlanta. Employment for GARNER shown as Garner's Tea Room and Furnished Rooms, 1170 Peachtree Street, as owner. No income stated and records reflect local phone as 874-0671. Records also show in April, 1966, there was a Federal Tax lien against him for \$305; also in February, 1959, a Federal Tax lien shown for \$654, but no details reflected. In September, 1960, Lumber Company placed account for collection in amount of \$7.00, and also January, 1962, another collection account in amount of \$162. Current check of this account failed to reflect additional information. Records at the present time reflect only one account outstanding in the amount of \$1,248. with a finance company. The account was established in October, 1967, and is current and being handled by the Quality Finance Co., 995 Peachtree St. No other information reflected.

Mrs. THELMA TURNER, Ga. State Department of Public Safety, Drivers License Bureau, advised records her department reflect JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, 30 Capitol Square, Atlanta (1947) filed application for Ga. Drivers License 5/9/47. At this time he was described as white male, born [redacted] 6' 2", 192 pounds, blue eyes, brown hair and occupation stated as restaurant owner. In 1959 he was issued Veterans DL No. V0206396. At this time, he used address of 232 Capitol Avenue and also in 1959 showed address as 1172 Peachtree St., N.E., Atlanta, with most current address as 107 - 14th Street, N.E.

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Branch of service shown as FA (?), Service No. 44131505. He was inducted 5/26/45, at Ft. McPherson, Ga. and discharged 10/16/45, at Ft. Bragg, N.C. Records reflect he came to Atlanta from Fulton, Miss. Several traffic tickets were noted in file, all from Atlanta, with the most current one being 1965 for stop sign violation.

Mrs. TURNER also advised that records reflect one JAMES DENVER GANNER, JR., 327 E. Virginia Avenue, College Park, Ga., with business address of 595 Ashby Street, Atlanta. The file shows his first application for Ga. DL on 2/16/61 and it was issued under number 172960. This number changed to Veterans DL No. V 452120. (On 4/5/62). Records reflect he was formerly residing at 812 W. River Street, Tampa, Florida, and his valid Florida DL No. was 2174554. He was described as white male, born [redacted] 6' 4", 190 pounds, green eyes, brown hair, and State restriction reflected "glasses only". Records also reflect he was previously from Pennsylvania (apparently while in military service). Several tickets also noted in file, one from State of Miss. in 1965, at which time he listed his address as 1944 Farris Avenue, East Point, Ga.

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1107PM URGENT 4-15-68 REF

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM, MEMPHIS,
AND NEW ORLEANS
FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) 5P

MURKIN

RE LATEL APRIL FIFTEEN INSTANT. NEW ORLEANS TEL TODAY.

RE: BACKGROUND - GALT:

CHARLES STEIN REINTERVIEWED TODAY FURNISHED FOLLOWING:
SAW SUITCASE IN TRUNK OF MUSTANG BELIEVED TO HAVE ROUNDED
CORNERS AND WAS EITHER BLUE OR GREY. NOT POSITIVE THAT BAG
IN PHOTO SAME BUT LOOKS SIMILAR. GALT HAD ONE SUIT CASE AND
PROBABLY SHAVING KIT. IN TRUNK WAS YELLOW CARDBOARD BOX
BELIEVED TO BE KODAK CAMERA BOX.

STEIN THINKS GALT WORE WRISTWATCH WHICH THINKS GALT STATED
HE BOUGHT IN MEXICO. WORE DARK BROWN SUIT WITH FAINT VERTICAL
LINES, WHITE SHIRT WITH PLAIN COLLAR, TIE COLOR
UNKNOWN, TIE CLASP OR TACK UNKNOWN. WORE BROWN SUIT PANTS AND
BROWN LACE SHOES OF LIGHT WEIGHT AND PLAIN TOES. WORE NO TOPCOAT,
JACKET, HAT, OR SUN GLASSES OR OTHER TYPE GLASSES. USED
EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF HAIR DRESSING. STEIN SAW NO RINGS.

STEIN NEVER SAW TYPEWRITER AND NEVER SAW BEDSPREAD SHOWN
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GALT LIKED BEER WHICH HE DRANK THROUGHOUT TRIP. ORDERED HAMBURGERS WITH EVERYTHING ON THEM. NEVER SMOKED. THINKS HE WAS RIGHT HANDED FROM OBSERVATION OF HIS EATING. GALT PLAYED COUNTRY AND WESTERN MUSIC THROUGHOUT TRIP. WAS SOFT SPOKEN.

GALT INDICATED HE BOUGHT MUSTANG USED FROM EITHER RELATIVE OR FRIEND AS HE GOT A GOOD DEAL. DIDN'T INDICATE IF THIS WAS A DEALER. THOUGHT HE HAD MEXICAN INSURANCE AS HAD NO US INSURANCE ON CAR.

STEIN BELIEVES GALT IN NEW ORLEANS PREVIOUSLY AS HE MENTIONED NAMES OF STREETS AND PLACES IDENTITY OF WHICH UNRECALLED BY STEIN. GALT MENTIONED CONTACTING TWO MEN IN NEW ORLEANS ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER ENGINEERING OR CONTRACTING FIRM PROBABLY IN CHALMET (PH). THINKS GALT MENTIONED JACKSON BARRACKS AS BEING NEAR WHERE THESE MEN LIVED. GALT STATED HE SAW STEIN WHILE HE GALT WAS IN BAR. STEIN SAID THIS WOULD HAVE HAD TO HAVE BEEN IN FOUR HUNDRED OR FIVE HUNDRED BLOCK OF CANAL STREET.

RE: PHOTO - GALT:

THOMAS LAU, DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BARTENDING, LOS ANGELES, ADVISED ERIC S. GALT ATTENDED THIS SCHOOL JANUARY NINETEEN LAST TO MARCH TWO LAST WHEN HE GRADUATED. LAU FURNISHED COLORED PHOTOGRAPH OF GALT AND APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO SCHOOL EXECUTED AND SIGNED BY GALT IN LAU'S PRESENCE. ORIGINAL PHOTOGRAPH AND NEGATIVE FORWARDED BUREAU VIA TWA FLIGHT SIX TWO. POLAROID COPIES PROCESSED FROM ORIGINAL AT LA OFFICE FURNISHED BUREAU, NEW ORLEANS, ATLANTA, BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS.

ON APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BARTENDING GALT GAVE REFERENCES AS MARIE DENINNO, FIVE FIVE THREE HOLLYWOOD BLVD.; RITA STEEN AND CHARLEY DENINNO, BOTH OF

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FIVE SIX SIX SIX FRANKLIN, HOLLYWOOD. FURNISHED A PRIOR EMPLOYMENT AS MR. WILLARD, SEVEN FIVE ONE SOUTH FIGUEROA, WITH SALARY OF FIFTY DOLLARS. THIS IS COMMERCIAL ADDRESS AND INVESTIGATION BEING CONDUCTED TO LOCATE ANY WILLARD AT THIS LOCATION. DENINNO IS IDENTICAL TO CHARLES STEIN BROTHER OF RITA STEIN.

APPLICATION ALSO REFLECTS HE CLAIMED THREE A CLASSIFICATION FOR SELECTIVE SERVICE. WAS IN CONTACT WITH LAU TELEPHONICALLY APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK AFTER GRADUATION (MARCH TWO LAST), AND WHEN OFFERED BARTENDING JOB INFORMED LAU HE WAS LEAVING TOWN WITHIN TWO WEEKS FOR UNDISCLOSED DESTINATION TO VISIT HIS BROTHER, NOT NAMED.

DONALD J. JACOBS, FORMER STUDENT AT INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF BARTENDING, ADVISED HE RECALLED GALT AT SCHOOL WHOM HE KNEW AS ERIC. DESCRIBED GALT AS QUIET, NEVER TALKING ABOUT HIS BACKGROUND, FAMILY, OR NATIVE LAND. MENTIONED THAT HE HAD BEEN A COOK ON RIVER BOAT OR BARGE ON MISSISSIPPI RIVER AND OCCASIONALLY MENTIONED NEW ORLEANS. SAID HE WAS GETTING OUT OF THAT LINE OF WORK AS TOO HARD. WITNESSES LA ADVISE PHOTO OF GALT EXCELLENT LIKENESS.

RE: CORRESPONDENCE AT ATLANTA:

FOR INFO OF ATLANTA HY PARK, P. O. BOX TWO SEVEN ZERO THREE SIX, LOS ANGELES NINE ZERO ZERO TWO SEVEN, IS MAILING ADDRESS USED BY CINEMA ENTERPRISES, TWO FOUR THREE ONE HYPERION BLVD., LA. CLAYTON KIRBY INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HIS COMPANY USED ADDRESSOGRAPH PLATES FOR MAIL ORDER BUSINESS AND POSSIBLY GALT'S NAME ONLY ON MAILING LIST. HE COULD LOCATE NO RECORD FOR GALT.

RE: PROVINCIAL MOTEL - NEW ORLEANS:

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TELEPHONE NUMBER NINE THREE FOUR TWO THREE TWO NINE LISTED TO SIDNEY M. ELIAS, NINE ONE SIX SOUTH OGDEN DRIVE, LA. ELIAS INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HE TOOK TRIP TO MIAMI, FLA., IN DECEMBER, SIXTY SEVEN AND ON DECEMBER EIGHTEEN, SIXTY SEVEN, STAYED AT PROVINCIAL MOTEL, NEW ORLEANS AND MADE CALL TO HIS RESIDENCE IN LA SPEAKING TO HIS SON.

RE: RESIDENCE ONE FIVE THREE FIVE NORTH SERRANO,
LOS ANGELES

REMAINING OCCUPANTS OF APARTMENT BUILDING AT ONE FIVE THREE FIVE NORTH SERRANO INTERVIEWED AND COULD FURNISH NO INFORMATION CONCERNING GALT.

RE: MISCELLANEOUS - GALT:

TRAFFIC VIOLATION BUREAU FOR LAPD AND CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL RECHECKED TODAY AND NO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS RECORDED IN NAME OF GALT.

JOHN CANNADY, ONE EIGHT ONE TWO SAMAR DRIVE, COSTA MESA, CALIF., TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED FOR INFORMATION THAT ONE ERNST STARVO IS NAME OF "MASTER CRIMINAL" IN JAMES BOND SERIES AND GALT NAME OF HERO IN BOOK "ATLAS SHRUGGED."

RE: INVESTIGATION ON NAMES ON KLEENEX BOX:

NEGRO GUITAR PLAYER AT PAUL VEGAS CLUB WHO WAS KNOWN TO ANITA KATZWINKEL AND GINGER NANCE IDENTIFIED AS ANTHONY HARRISON PHONE R E FOUR FOUR TWO ONE SIX. RECORDS REFLECT PHONE IS NONPUBLISHED NUMBER FOR HARRISON AT TWO ONE THREE FOUR WEST
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VIEW, LOS ANGELES. EFFORTS TO CONTACT HARRISON CONTINUING. REGARDING ATTEMPTS TO IDENTIFY "VINCE" AND "RED" WITH RESPECTIVE PHONE NUMBERS FOUR SIX NINE FIVE EIGHT ONE ONE AND SIX SIX TWO FIVE TWO TWO SIX. PHONE FOUR SIX NINE FIVE EIGHT ONE ONE REGISTERED TO FILM EFFECTS OF HOLLYWOOD, INC., ONE ONE FOUR ZERO CITRUS AVE., LOS ANGELES. "VINCE" NOT KNOWN AT THAT COMPANY AND THAT COMPANY HAS NO PHONE EXTENSION OF ONE TWO FIVE. PHONE SIX SIX TWO FIVE TWO TWO SIX NON PUBLISHED PHONE PRESENTLY REGISTERED TO JOE L. GONZALEZ EIGHT FOUR THREE AND ONE HALF NORTH VENDOME STREET, LOS ANGELES. ATTEMPTS TO IDENTIFY AND LOCATE "VINCE" AND "RED" CONTINUING.

MRS. CHARLOTTE RIVETT, ONE ZERO ZERO TWO NORTH BRIGHTON STREET, BURBANK, CALIFORNIA, INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED THAT SHE DOES NOT REMEMBER DETAILS OF REGISTERING CHARLES J. STEIN AND OUTSIDE OF READING THE NEWSPAPERS SHE HAS NEVER HEARD OF ERIC STARVO GALT. MAINTAINED A LIST OF ALL THE PEOPLE WHOM SHE REGISTERED AND COULD NOT LOCATE ANY REGISTRATION FOR GALT.

HAROLD CARTER, DEPUTY REGISTRATION SUPERVISOR, LOS ANGELES COUNTY VOTERS REGISTRAR, LOS ANGELES, INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HIS FILES CONTAIN NO REGISTRATION FOR GALT.

NEW ORLEANS

FURTHER INQUIRY AT CONTINENTAL DANCE STUDIOS SHOULD BE MADE TO IDENTIFY GALT AS INDIVIDUAL TAKING LESSONS SOME YEARS EARLIER.
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INQUIRY SHOULD BE MADE AT ANY UNIONS OF COOKS, BAKERS
ETC., TO DETERMINE PRIOR BACKGROUND OF GALT.

NEW ORLEANS, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM, ATLANTA ALL ADVISED OF
TIME OF ARRIVAL OF PHOTOS.

LOS ANGELES IS CONDUCTING SEARCH OF BANK OF AMERICA MONEY
ORDERS TO DETERMINE ANY OTHER FIRMS OR INDIVIDUALS THAT GALT MAY
HAVE SENT MONEY ORDER.

ALL LEADS CONTINUE TO BE PURSUED TO COMPLETELY IDENTIFY
GALT AND ASCERTAIN LOCATION.

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914 PM URGENT 4/15/68 TSJ

TO DIRECTOR, BIRMINGHAM, ATLANTA
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987)

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SUMMARY OF INVESTIGATION APRIL FIFTEEN, SIXTEENTH.

EFFORTS TO INTERVIEW OCCUPANTS LORRAINE MOTEL, FOUR ZERO SIX MULBERRY, WHO WERE KNOWN TO BE REGISTERED ON APRIL THREE AND FOUR LAST PRODUCED NO POSITIVE RESULTS. MANAGER OF MOTEL, MR. WALTER BAILEY, STATED HE WOULD MAKE EFFORTS TO CONTACT PERSONS HE KNEW WHO WERE IN AREA OF LORRAINE MOTEL AND ADVISE FBI AS SOON AS HE IS ABLE TO LOCATE OTHERS.

TWO ADDITIONAL WITNESSES LOCATED WHO WERE IN JIM'S GRILL AT FOUR EIGHTEEN SOUTH MAIN AT APPROXIMATE TIME SHOOTING OF KING UNABLE FURNISH ANY INFORMATION OF PERTINENCE.

IN VIEW OF ALLEGED MERCHANT MARINE BACKGROUND, VARIOUS SPELLINGS OF SURNAME GALT CHECKED THROUGH U.S. COAST GUARD AT MEMPHIS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. RECORDS BUREAU OF PUBLIC DEBT, U.S. TREASURY, BEING CHECKED UNDER NAME GALT, LOWMEYER, AND WILLARD. BLUE SHIELD AND BLUE CROSS ALSO BEING CHECKED.
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WITH REGARD TO MEMPHIS PD INFORMANT'S INFORMATION ON ERIC GAULDEN, AKA. "STEVIE," ETC., SEPARATE INTERVIEW WITH GORDON FORBES AND TOMMY ELLIS PIKE, BOTH OF WHOM STILL CONDINED METHODIST HOSPITAL, MEMPHIS, WITH BODIES AND LUNGS BASLY BURNED, AND SEPARATED INTERVIEWS WITH MR. AND MRS. JAMES FORBES, PARENTS OF GORDON FORBES, PRODUCED NO INFORMATION TO CORROBORATE INFORMATION BY INFORMANT. ALL THESE PERSONS DENY KNOWING ANYONE AS DESCRIBED BY PD INFORMANT. ARTISTS! CONCEPTIONS OF UNSUB EXHIBITED TO EACH OF THESE PERSONS BUT EACH STATED PHOTOS DO NOT RESEMBLE ANYONE THEY HAVE EVER KNOWN.

JAMES O. STEWART, MEMPHIS PCI WHO IS FAMILIAR WITH RECENT ACTIVITIES OF GORDON FORBES AND TOMMY PIKE, STATES NO PERSON OF NAME AND DESCRIBED BY MEMPHIS PD INFORMANT KNOWN TO HIM . EFFORTS TO FURTHER CLARIFY WILL BE MADE TOMORROW. ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE TO DETERMINE IF AGENTS CAN TALK TO MEMPHIS PD INFORMANT. BELIEVED WITH THIS INTERVIEW MATTER CAN BE RESOLVED.

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935PM URGENT 4/15/68 RSM

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), ATLANTA (44-2386), BIRMINGHAM (44-1740),
MEMPHIS (44-1987) AND LOS ANGELES (44-1574)

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SUMMARY. CONTACT WITH SUPERIOR BULK FILM COMPANY,
CHICAGO, DEVELOPED INFO TO LOCATE CHECK FURNISHED BY GALT
WHEN PLACING ORDER. DESCRIPTIVE DATA RE CHECK AND LEADS
FURNISHED TO BIRMINGHAM BY SEPARATE TEL THIS DATE. ADVERTISING
ABOVE COMPANY PLACED IN FOLLOWING MAGAZINES: POPULAR MECHANICS,
POPULAR SCIENCE, SCIENCE AND MECHANICS, U.S. CAMERA, POPULAR
PHOTOGRAPHY, MODERN PHOTOGRAPHY, FIELD AND STREAM, HUNTING AND
FISHING AND MECHANICS ILLUSTRATED. CHICAGO OBTAINING
LOCATION OF SUBSCRIPTION LISTS AND WILL SUTEL LEADS TO DETERMINE
IF GALT POSSIBLE SUBSCRIBER. BIRMINGHAM CONSIDER CONTACT
WITH LOGICAL NEWSSTANDS, ETC., AREA OF RESIDENCE FOR SALE OF
ABOVE MAGAZINES, NOTING ORDER SUBMITTED LATTER PART OF SEPTEMBER,
SIXTY-SEVEN.

RE PASSENGER CHECKS AT UAL. CONTACT WITH UAL OFFICIALS
REVEALS INDIVIDUAL SEARCH OF IN EXCESS OF SEVENTEEN THOUSANDW
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FIVE HUNDRED TICKETS NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH IF ANYONE BY NAME OF GALT LEFT ATLANTA FROM APRIL NINE TO APRIL FOURTEEN, LAST. THESE TICKETS NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL APRIL TWENTY-FIVE, NEXT. IN VIEW OF DELAY AND URGENCY OF SITUATION, ATLANTA REQUESTED TO CONDUCT SEARCH THROUGH UAL RESERVATION RECORDS AVAILABLE THERE. CHICAGO WILL HOLD LEAD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL RESULTS OF ABOVE SEARCH FORTHCOMING.

ALL DANCING SCHOOLS, CHICAGO TERRITORY, IDENTIFIED AND BEING CONTACTED. NEGATIVE RESULTS TO DATE.

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TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA AND MEMPHIS
FROM DETROIT (44-989) 2P

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REMYTEL TO DIRECTOR, ATLANTA, CHARLOTTE, MEMPHIS FOUR
FIFTEEN LAST AND DE CALL TO AT THIS DATE.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN LEE, TWO ZERO ONE TWO BELMONT,
HAMTRAMCK, MICH., INTERVIEWED FOUR FIFTEEN LAST AND ADVISED HE ARRIVED
ATLANTA LATE AFTERNOON FOUR FIVE LAST FROM DETROIT. HE WENT TO
ROOMING HOUSE ON FOURTEENTH STREET, N.E. (ADDRESS UNKNOWN) AND OBTAINED
A ROOM. AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE PM FOUR FIVE LAST HE MET A WHITE
MALE AT THE CORNER, TWO DOORS FROM THE ROOMING HOUSE. HE DESCRIBED
THIS MAN AS TWENTY FIVE TO TWENTYSIX, FIVE EIGHT, ONE FORTY FIVE,
SLENDER BUILD, SHORT LIGHT BROWN HAIR COMBED STRAIGHT BACK, BLUE
EYES, LIGHT COMPLEXION, GRAY SUIT, WHITE SHIRT, TIE (UNDONE) AND
TWO DAY GROWTH OF BEARD. HE DID NOT ASK THIS MANS NAME AND IT WAS
NOT VOLUNTEERED.

THIS MAN SAID HE HAD JUST COME IN FROM TENNESSEE AND HAD JUST
DROPPED A HOT CAR. HE INDICATED THE CAR WAS RELATIVELY NEW. THE
MAN WANTED SOME MONEY AND WHEN HE FOUND OUT LEE WAS ALSO BROKE SAID
THEY SHOULD GET TOGETHER AND PULL A JOB. LEE DECLINED.

LEE TOLD THE MAN HE COULD GET SOME HELP FROM THE HIPPIES WHO
LIVED TWO DOORS FROM THE ROOMING HOUSE.

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LEE AGAIN SAW THE MAN ON THE STREET MONDAY FOUR EIGHT LAST BUT DID NOT SPEAK TO HIM. LEE LAST SAW HIM AFTERNOON OF TUESDAY FOUR NINE LAST AS LEE WAS LEAVING FOR MICHIGAN. THE MAN TOLD LEE HE WAS LIVING WITH THE HIPPIES AND WAS PAYING THEM ONE DOLLAR A DAY TO HIDE HIM. THE MAN INDICATED HE WAS TO GET SOME DIFFERENT CLOTHES FROM THE HIPPIES.

TO THE BEST OF LEE'S KNOWLEDGE THIS MAN DID NOT OCCUPY A ROOM AT THE BOARDING HOUSE AT ANY TIME.

COMPOSITES BASED ON DESCRIPTIONS AT BIRMINGHAM AND MEMPHIS WILL BE EXHIBITED TO LEE THIS DATE AND RESULTS WILL BE FORWARDED BUREAU AND INTERESTED OFFICES.

AIR MAIL COPIES TO BIRMINGHAM AND CHARLOTTE.

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FBI OKLA CITY

11:42 AM URGENT 4-16-68 BJS

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND ATLANTA
FROM OKLAHOMA CITY 44-686

MURKIN

RE: SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT.

RECORDS OF SHELL OIL COMPANY, TULSA, OKLAHOMA REFLECT
SHELL CREDIT CARD ISSUED TO ONE S. GALT, ONE TWO FIVE S. AVENUE,
CARTERSVILLE, GEORGIA, IN DECEMBER, SIXTYSEVEN. NO CHARGES HAVE
BEEN MADE ON THIS ACCOUNT.

ATLANTA IDENTIFY S. GALT AND DETERMINE IF IDENTICAL TO
SUSPECT IN THIS CASE.

MEMPHIS ADVISED AIRMAIL.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 15, 1968

Mr. JACK POPHAM, Patrolman, Atlanta Police Department, Atlanta, Georgia, furnished the following information:

Mr. POPHAM examined a composit picture of a man wanted for questioning in connection with the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. POPHAM was told that this was a Bureau fugitive and at no time was he advised that this individual might be involved in the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. Mr. POPHAM advised that he walks a beat around the Ponce de Leon and Briarcliff Road areas and this includes the Briarcliff Hotel at 1050 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. POPHAM stated that he recognizes the composit picture as being an individual whom he has seen hanging around the Briarcliff Hotel within the past week. Mr. POPHAM furnished the following description of the individual whom he observed:

Race and Sex:	White; Male
Height:	6'
Weight:	175 - 195
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Dark
Dress:	Neat

Mr. POPHAM stated that he would keep a watch for anyone that looks like this composit picture and would notify the Atlanta Office of the FBI if he should spot anyone who looks similar to the picture.

On 4/12/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386 -418
by SA PAUL LEE MILLER *DLm* :cjm Date dictated 4/15/68

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Date April 15, 1968

Mr. ROBERT OBESTER, Clerk, Briarcliff Hotel, 1050 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia, furnished the following information:

ROBERT OBESTER examined a composit picture of a man wanted for questioning in connection with the assassination of DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. OBESTER advised that he recognizes this picture as being a H. H. FLETCHER who checked into a room at the hotel with his wife on April 9, 1968. OBESTER stated that H. H. FLETCHER first called the Briarcliff Hotel on April 7, 1968, to see if he could get a reservation for two rooms on April 9, 1968. FLETCHER stated that at that time one of the rooms would be occupied by himself and his wife and the other room would be occupied by a girlfriend of his wife. FLETCHER appeared at the hotel on Monday evening, April 8, 1968, and put down \$10 as a deposit for his room.

On April 9, 1968, two girls appeared at the desk of the Hotel Briarcliff and one identified herself as being Mrs. FLETCHER and asked that she be given the key to her room while her girlfriend was given a key to a different room.

Mr. OBESTER advised that Mr. and Mrs. FLETCHER occupied Room 501 while his wife's girlfriend occupied Room 528. Mr. OBESTER furnished the following description of H. H. FLETCHER:

Race and Sex:	White; Male
Age:	Middle 20's
Build:	Medium
Height:	5' 11"
Weight:	160
Hair:	Dark sandy brown, curly
Dress:	Neat in appearance

Mr. OBESTER described Mrs. FLETCHER's girlfriend as follows:

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Race and Sex:	White; Female
Age:	20 - 21
Height:	5' 7"
Weight:	130
Hair:	Medium brown
Characteristics:	Hippy type, wore steal rimmed glasses

Mr. OBESTER described Mrs. FLETCHER as follows:

Race and Sex:	White; Female
Age:	19
Hair:	Dark
Height:	5' 4"
Weight:	120

Mr. OBESTER further advised that he never saw H. H. FLETCHER driving an automobile and is under the belief that he was traveling in the automobile of Mrs. FLETCHER's girlfriend. Mr. OBESTER stated that the FLETCHER's gave a Stirling Street address in Greensboro, North Carolina, but a check with the telephone company in Greensboro resulted in learning that the telephone company had no listing for the FLETCHER's at that address nor did they have a H. H. FLETCHER listed in Greensboro, North Carolina. Mr. OBESTER advised that he talked to H. H. FLETCHER only briefly and at that time FLETCHER did not say anything about the funeral for Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., nor did he seem interested in the funeral which was going on the day they checked into the hotel.

OBESTER advised that the FLETCHER's and his wife's girlfriend left on April 11, 1968, but he has no idea when they checked out nor where they went. Mr. OBESTER stated that he has no information as to the occupation of FLETCHER nor did he ever see him or his wife or her girlfriend before.

Mr. OBESTER does remember though that sometime during their stay Mrs. FLETCHER's girlfriend came down and asked directions how to get onto to Route 20. Mr. OBESTER further advised that local phone calls were made from rooms 501 and 528 and these were listed on telephone receipts and would be made available to the FBI, Atlanta. OBESTER further advised that he would cooperate in any way possible to help in the apprehension of a Bureau fugitive. Mr. OBESTER was advised that the man in the composit picture was a Bureau fugitive and at no time was reference made that this man might be wanted for questioning in the assassination of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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Date April 12, 1968

MRS. HARLAN LACY, 466 Landers, Mableton, Georgia, advised her husband had been on a business trip during the week of April 1 through 5, 1968. LACY stated that her husband had gone to Memphis, Tennessee, during this time although was not certain of the exact dates. LACY continued that her husband is presently employed by Harris Seybold Company, 1745 Tulley Circle, Atlanta, Georgia, phone 634-5147. LACY advised her husband has been employed with this company for approximately eight years providing installation and maintenance services for printing presses. LACY continued her husband frequently goes on these business trips and is often gone for several days at a time. She stated it would be difficult for her to pinpoint exactly the dates that her husband was gone but stated all of these records could be obtained either through the Harris Seybold Company or through her husband.

MRS. LACY provided the following description and pertinent information regarding her husband:

Name	HARLAN CARL LACY
Address	466 Landers Mableton, Georgia
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	
Place of Birth	Pekin, Kentucky
Height	5'8"
Weight	150 pounds
Hair	Light brown
Eyes	Blue
Military Service	United States Army 1957 through 1959
Serial Number	

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The following investigation was conducted on April 11, 1968 by SA JIMMY E. HAYES at the places indicated below:

A review of the city and telephone directories and contact with the below named agencies failed to reflect any information concerning ERIC STARVO GALT.

CARROLL COUNTY, GEORGIA

AT CARROLLTON, GEORGIA

MONZUA LOVVORN, Record Clerk, Carrollton Police Department.

DOT BOATWRIGHT, Office Deputy, Carroll County Sheriff's Office.

CATHY JACKSON, Carrollton Credit Bureau (covers entire county)

AT BOWDON, GEORGIA

BEN MARTIN, City Clerk, Utilities Office, City of Bowdon.

Chief JOE PANNELL, Bowdon Police Department.

AT VILLA RICA, GEORGIA

Chief BILL WILLIAMS, Villa Rica Police Department

COWETA COUNTY, GEORGIA

AT NEWNAN, GEORGIA

HAYSEL HELTON, Office Deputy, Coweta County Sheriff's Office.

Lt. JERRY HELTON, Newnan Police Department

MARY MC CLAIN, Credit Bureau of Newnan, Georgia.

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HEARD COUNTY, GEORGIA

AT FRANKLIN, GEORGIA

Office. Sheriff VIRGIL BLEDSOE, Heard County Sheriff's
(Credit Bureau handling is at LaGrange, Georgia)

MERIWETHER COUNTY, GEORGIA

AT GREENVILLE, GEORGIA

Office. Sheriff BUDDY NORRIS, Meriwether County Sheriff's

County. Judge JOHN HEAD, Court of Ordinary of Meriwether
(Credit Bureau at Manchester, Georgia)

AT MANCHESTER, GEORGIA

Chief RUPERT BATES, Manchester Police Department.

Mrs. ELIZABETH SHAW, Manchester Credit Bureau.

PIKE COUNTY, GEORGIA

AT ZEBULON, GEORGIA

Sheriff ASTOR RIGGINS, Pike County Sheriff's Office
(Credit Bureau is at Griffin, Georgia being checked separately.)

TROUP COUNTY, GEORGIA

AT LA GRANGE, GEORGIA

Office. Lt. MARVIN SMITH, LaGrange, Georgia Police Department.
JOYCE BRYAN, Office Deputy, Troup County Sheriff's

DOT STARR, LaGrange Credit Bureau.

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Mr. FRANK MILLER, Town and Country Motel,
LaGrange, Georgia, advised that a check of his records
failed to reflect any guest named ERIC STARVO GALT, or
similar name March through April 4, 1968.

AT WEST POINT, GEORGIA

Chief HARVEY THOMPSON, West Point Police Department.

Valley. JOYCE CANTRELL, Credit Bureau of Chattahoochee

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The following individuals were contacted on the dates indicated by SA ALBERT D. MILLARD and advised that no record of any individual named LOWMEYER or LOWMYER was contained in their files or did they have any personal knowledge of any individual with this name:

AT TRENTON, GEORGIA

IRENE WALLS
Georgia Power Company
April 10, 1968

GRACIE WILLIAMS, Clerk of
Superior Court
April 10, 1968

VIRGIL JENKINS
Ordinary
April 10, 1968

Sheriff ALLISON BLEVINS
April 10, 1968

Chief of Police JOHNNY BEASLEY
April 10, 1968

JOHN MURPHY
Registrar of Voters
April 10, 1968

AT LAFAYETTE, GEORGIA

Sheriff RALPH JONES
April 10, 1968

Georgia Bureau of Investigation Agent
PAUL GRIFFIN
April 10, 1968

Chief of Police
ERNEST MORRIS
April 10, 1968

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HAROLD CLEMENTS
Clerk of Superior Court
April 10, 1968

R. A. DUKE
Water and Light Department
April 10, 1968

TOM ARNOLD
Registrar of Voters
April 10, 1968

AT CHICKAMAUGA, GEORGIA

BARBARA MOORE
City Utilities
April 10, 1968

VIRGINIA MC GILL
Georgia Power Company
April 10, 1968

Officer CLIFFORD WILLIAMS
Chickamauga Police Department
April 10, 1968

AT LAFAYETTE, GEORGIA

Mrs. BANA COLE
Credit Bureau of Lafayette
April 11, 1968

Check of telephone directories and city directories
for the above cities were checked with negative results.

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On the dates indicated the following individuals who operate dry cleaning establishments were contacted by SA ALBERT D. MILLARD and each advised that their particular company did not use any marking system as "02B-6" or "D2B-6":

Mrs. IDELL RUSSELL
Red's Cleaners
Trenton, Georgia
April 10, 1968

ROBERT ROBERTSON, SR.
Chitwood Cleaners
Trenton, Georgia
April 10, 1968

GEORGE COULTER
Georgia's Cleaners
LaFayette, Georgia
April 10, 1968

GENE JAY
LaFayette Laundry
LaFayette, Georgia
April 10, 1968

BLANCHE RALEY
Big Four Cleaners
Chickamauga, Georgia
April 10, 1968

Mr. J. C. ROBERTSON
Rex Cleaners
LaFayette, Georgia
April 11, 1968

Mrs. WILLIAM CORNETT
Cornett's Cleaners
LaFayette, Georgia
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The following individuals, who are associated with U. S. Post Office, advised that their records were negative concerning anyone by the name of LOWMEYER or LOEMYER and they did not have any personal knowledge of any individual with this surname:

Mrs. BILL TOWNSEND
Wildwood, Georgia

Mr. ROBERT WHITE
Trenton, Georgia

Mr. R. L. FRICKS
Rising Fawn, Georgia

Mrs. WINFRED PARRISH
Chickamauga, Georgia

The above individuals were contacted on April 10, 1968.

JACK BOWMAN
Rock Springs, Georgia

FRANK SHAW, JR.
Kensington, Georgia

WILLIAM THOMAS
LaFayette, Georgia

The above individuals were contacted on April 11, 1968.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC

DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA ROBERT R. PERRY

☒ CI ☐ SI ☐ R (Prob)

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SUBJECT: AT 1620 C

Dates of Contact 4/15/68		
Titles and File #s on which contacted <u>HORACE LOVETT, Jr, FUGITIVE UFAP- 88-10141</u> <u>JO ANN HARDY, aka FUGITIVE 88-10172</u> <u>STOKELY CARMICHAEL RM 100-</u> <u>MURKIN 44-2386</u>		
Purpose and results of contact <input type="checkbox"/> NEGATIVE Paid \$75.00 re LOVETT(No copy file) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POSITIVE <input type="checkbox"/> STATISTIC HARDY - Stated believes has seen on Auburn Avenue, and will be alert, furnished photo of subject. CARMICHAEL- Stated night of KING funeral 4/9/68, he was talking to CARMICHAEL, who asked him why he didn't start something. CI said he asked CHARMICHAEL, why he didn't. MURKIN - Stated night body of KING returned, a white male was at rear of funeral home, and acted suspiciously. Driving 1967-68 Mercury, green, 1968 Georgia 2 J 10314.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Informant certified that he has furnished all information obtained by him since last contact.	Rating Excellent	Coverage Same

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FBI ATLANTA

11:36 AM

URGENT 4/16/68 VSC

TO DIRECTOR, ATTN: FBI LABORATORY, AND MEMPHIS
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

IF IDENTITY OF MANUFACTURER OF BEDSPREAD ABANDONED BY SUBJECT
IN MEMPHIS HAS BEEN DETERMINED, REQUEST ATLANTA BE ADVISED FOR
LOGICAL CHECKS IN THIS AREA, IT BEING NOTED THIS IS LOCATION OF
LARGE COTTON WEAVING MILLS.

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FBI BOSTON

FBI ATLANTA

11:21 AM URGENT 4/16/68 VSC
TO DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND BOSTON
FROM ATLANTA 44-2386

MURKIN

INCLUDED IN PROPERTY FOUND IN ROOM PREVIOUSLY OCCUPIED BY
ERIC S. GALT WAS BOOKLET ENTITLED QUOTE WHAT IS THE JOHN BIRCH
SOCIETY?QUOTE

IF BOSTON HAS DISCREET, RELIABLE CONTACT AT JOHN BIRCH
HEADQUARTERS, REQUEST CONTACT BE MADE TO DETERMINE IF JOHN BIRCH
SOCIETY HAS MAILING ADDRESS FOR SUBJECT OR ANY ADDITIONAL BACK-
GROUND DATA. IN ABSENCE OF DISCREET, RELIABLE CONTACT, BOSTON
HOLD LEAD IN ABEYANCE UNTIL BUREAU MAKES IDENTITY OF GALT KNOWN
TO PUBLIC SOURCES. SUTEL.

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Georgia Link for Galt Sought Vainly in Files— After Seizure of Auto

Evidence Strong in King Hunt

By DUANE RINER

Record-keepers at the Georgia Department of Public Safety sifted through driver license and traffic arrest files for the second straight day Friday in an FBI-requested search for a possible Georgia link with Eric Starvo Galt.

A spokesman said the search had turned up nothing.

A white Mustang, registered to Galt and fitting the description of a car that sped from the scene of Dr. Martin Luther King's sniper-slaying in Memphis, was impounded Thursday night by federal agents after being discovered abandoned in the parking lot of Capitol Homes, an Atlanta public housing project.

After a day in which all efforts to query FBI agents around the nation about the car, Galt and progress of the investigation were met with a string of "no comments," Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark reported in Washington that FBI agents "are working around the clock pursuing every lead" to King's assassin.

NO QUESTIONS

Clark's statement, his first public pronouncement on the case in five days, was issued through his press office. The attorney general refused all requests to question him.

"The FBI is devoting every possible resource to this investigation," said Clark's statement. The attorney general said "physical evidence is very substantial. While it remains impossible to predict when the killer will be arrested, I am hopeful that it will be soon."

The Mustang, which aroused the curiosity of Capitol Homes residents to the extent that they notified authorities, was traced through its Alabama license plate to Galt, whose address was listed as a rooming house at 2605 Highland Ave. in Birmingham. Residents, while recalling Galt, said they had not seen him since November.

In obtaining his driver's license in 1967, Galt listed his occupation as an unemployed merchant seaman.

CHECKED UNION

United Press International reporters, checking with maritime officials in Mobile, learned Friday that FBI agents, in addition to questioning persons at Galt's former Birmingham boarding house, had visited Seafarers International Union offices two days ago and had gone through automated files—without success.

—in trying to get a lead on Galt.

Officials at the Maritime Union of America in Mobile said agents had made a similar check there, and the Star Fishing Company, one of the largest firms of its kind in the area, said agents also had paid a visit.

The absence of any record that Galt was, indeed, a merchant mariner, raised suspicions that someone, as early as last September, set out to establish credentials for a fictitious Eric Starvo Galt.

When Galt applied for his Alabama license, at the age of 38, he claimed to have possessed a Louisiana license since 1962. However, there was no evidence that he had produced a Louisiana permit.

TAG PURCHASED

The name Galt received additional credence when license tags for the Mustang were obtained in Birmingham on Oct. 2, 1967.

Meanwhile, residents of a Memphis rooming house from which Dr. King was shot eight days ago said Friday federal agents had shown them composite drawings of the white man sought in the killing.

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Most of the residents were noncommittal, but one, Charles Q. Stevens, who lives with his wife in a two-room apartment next to the communal bathroom from which the fatal shot was believed fired, said agents had shown him two drawings—one a partial profile and the other a full-face view.

Stevens, who reported seeing the gunman fleeing, said he recognized the side view but not the full face drawing. He said he had been questioned by the FBI "more times than the curly hairs I have on my head."

NO WARRANT

There was still no warrant for Galt's arrest or police alert Friday. The only semblance of an effort to have him picked up for questioning occurred Thursday in Miami when the FBI issued, then withdrew, a request that Florida police help locate Eric Starvo Galt, whose last known address was Birmingham. The teletypewriter message was quickly withdrawn. It had said Galt was driving a white Mustang.

A check by The Constitution into Georgia birth records in the State Department of Public Health disclosed only three Galts born in the state in the five-year period from 1929-33. None resembled the first two names of the Mustang owner.

Atlanta police, meanwhile, said they had not been asked to join the FBI hunt.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : TO SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)

DATE: 4/17/68

FROM : SA STANLEY R. KEEL

SUBJECT: MURKIN
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On 4/11/68 the following Airlines flying out of the Atlanta Airport were contacted and requested that reservation and manifest records be checked for anyone using the name ERIC STARVO GALT (GAULT), HARVEY LOWMEYER or JOHN WILLARD boarding at Atlanta and enroute to either Los Angeles or Mexico City, Mexico.

Mr. Thurlow Carter, Eastern Airlines, Support Section, advised SA KEEL, check of records negative.

Mr. Dorris, TWA Reservation Supervisor, advised SA RENAGHAN, that TWA does not make connections to Mexico City from Atlanta. A check for connections to Los Angeles for above names was negative.

On 4/12/68, SAs KEEL and PERRY Checked Delta manifests from 4/5 through 4/10/68. Records show that one R. WILLARD boarded Delta flight # 369 at Atlanta enroute to Birmingham, Alabama. The passenger picked up the ticket at the airport counter. No other information was available re WILLARD.

~~Also M. I. WILLARD was ticketed for flight 552 to Indianapolis on 4/6/68. He did not board this flight. Home phone number is 528-1267, Dallas, Texas.~~

~~Also a Rev. GAULT flew into Atlanta on Delta flight # 818 on 4-8-68, and left on 4-9-68, on Delta flight 891 enroute to San Francisco.~~

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Memorandum

TO : SAC ATLANTA (44-2386)

DATE: 4/16/68

FROM : SPC LAWTON W. GREENE

SUBJECT: MURKIN.

The writer was telephonically contacted at 7:50AM this date by MRS. PAUL KELLY, 2239 Tanglewood Rd., Decatur, Ga. phone 633-2026.

Mrs. Kelly stated while shopping in KINGS HARDWARE STORE, Memorial Drive on 4/15/68, she observed an individual purchase a .22 Cal. Carbine and shells. She stated she probably would not have thought to much about it, but this persons appearance caused him to "stand out". She further stated after observing him she felt he bore a resemblance to artist conception of the person who killed KING.

Mrs. Kelly described this person as w/m, 23-28 yrs., 6', slender build, brown hair, blue eyes. Stated he was wearing blue marine dress trousers with red stripe, a short sleeve fatigue jacket with chevrons on sleeve, military shoes which were unkept, and a white dress hat.

Mrs. Kelly stated she just felt uneasy about above incident and wanted to make it known to this office. She stated the salesman at King's Hardware has name of above individual who purchased this gun.

Above for info.

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Principal Carr Quits Post in Social Circle

MONROE, Ga. (AP) — The principal of the Social Circle Training School, target of Negro protest demonstrations last month, has resigned and the Walton County Board of Education has accepted his resignation.

Aubrey Coker, a member of the board, confirmed Saturday that Principal Clyde C. Carr has submitted his resignation effective at the end of the current school term.

Mr. Coker declined to comment on Carr's action or the reasons for it.

Carr and other school officials were unavailable for comment immediately.

NEGRO DEMONSTRATORS, led by members of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, had tried to block the path of buses bringing pupils to the school and had staged several marches protesting conditions at the Negro school in the small town about 10 miles south of Monroe.

One of the primary aims of the demonstrators was the removal of Mr. Carr as principal,

but the board repeatedly had refused to fire him.

There were dozens of arrests during the demonstrations which finally dwindled into picketing urging a boycott of merchants in Social Circle.

However, news of Mr. Carr's resignation apparently moved slowly. Several Negro pickets walked the streets Saturday, and one carried a sign demanding his resignation.

HOSEA WILLIAMS, an official of SCLC, said in Atlanta Saturday acceptance of Mr. Carr's resignation showed "repentance" on the part of the white community.

"I hope the superintendent and the board will allow the Negroes to decide on (selection of) their principal and also allow them policy-making authority," Mr. Williams said.

The demonstrations in Social Circle followed the dismissal of three teachers who had left their classrooms because of what they called inferior conditions at the school. Two of the three have since been rehired.

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The Atlanta Journal
and The Atlanta
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Atlanta, Ga.

Date: 4-14-68

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Author:

Editor: Jack Spalding

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REGISTERED MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, MIAMI (44-1854) (P)
RE: MURKIN

Re Atlanta tel to the Bureau and Miami, 2/12/68.

ERIC STARVO GALT - Check of Eastern Airlines Ticket
Passengers Departing Atlanta, INS, Customs and Shipping
Companies

All passenger-carrying airlines departing Miami carrying revenue passengers to foreign ports checked for record of ERIC STARVO GALT, KARL GALT, HARVEY LOWMYER, HARVEY LOWMEYER and JOHN WILLARD with negative results. Eastern Airlines foreign flights partially checked with negative results. Eastern Airlines tickets for flights departing Atlanta, 4/7/68 checked for above names with negative results. Tickets for 4/8/68 will be available 4/16/68 as will other tickets for foreign travel.

SUSPECT ERIC STARVO GALT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
ARMED & DANGEROUS.

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During the interview of JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, he asked the question, "How are you coming on the King murder?" He was then asked by interviewing Agent if he had heard or read much concerning this and he stated he had read quite a bit in the newspapers and seen a lot on television. GARNER then indicated that he knew this was why we were asking about GALT.

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Date 4/16/68

JIMMIE DELTON GARNER, 107 - 14th Street, N.E., Atlanta, Georgia, was contacted at 10:37 P.M., April 14, 1968, at which time he furnished the following information:

GARNER made available a record book maintained by him concerning persons who rent rooms at both 107 and 113 - 14th Street, N.E., rooming houses operated by him on a lease basis. A review of this record book failed to disclose any registration in the name GALT. It should be noted this book contains only a record of roomers for the period beginning January 1, 1968.

Upon being questioned concerning individuals renting at these addresses who might have checked out prior to the completion of the period for which they had paid, or others who for any reason might not be recorded in this record book, GARNER named, among others, an individual named (First Name Unknown) GALT. On being questioned concerning GALT, he said this individual was first seen by him on the afternoon of April 5, 1968, between the hours of 5:00 and 6:00 P.M. He explained that another roomer, FRED C. JONES, who occupies room #1 at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., had been sitting in front of this building and was approached by GALT, who inquired concerning the availability of a room. GARNER joined the pair and GALT indicated to GARNER he was interested in obtaining a single, quiet room. Having no such room available, GARNER told GALT he would put him in Room #5, at 107 - 14th Street, which room was a double room and that he would be moved to a single room as soon as one became available. GARNER said he noted GALT was driving a black car, probably a Ford, bearing an out-of-state license plate (state of registration not recalled), and that the car was possibly a 1962 or 1963 model.

GALT accepted this arrangement and paid GARNER while outside the dwelling and he believes he received a \$10 bill and a \$1 bill in payment. The cost of the room was \$10.50 per week and a \$.50 key deposit. During the conversation, GALT indicated he was a welder and originally came from "The Carolinas." He explained that he had a tag for a different state on the Ford because he had been working in another state.

On 4/14, 15/68 at Atlanta, Georgia File # Atlanta 44-2386 - 434
by SAs JOHN E. OGDEN and
ROGER L. KAAS JEO:lcc Date dictated 4/16/68

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At this point GARNER indicated that possibly the tag on the Ford was a Tennessee tag, but he was not at all certain of this.

GARNER described GALT as being a white male, 32 - 35 years of age, 5' 11", 190 pounds, dark brown or black hair worn in a brush cut, blue eyes, medium "outdoor" complexion and having a southern accent. He noted no distinguishing features or characteristics and had no recollection of any ring or other jewelry. His dress was casual, specifically described as a shirt and slacks.

GALT moved into Room #5 at 107 - 14th Street, N.E., where he remained until Sunday, April 7, 1968. On this day GALT was moved to Room #6 at 113 - 14th Street, N.E. On this occasion, GARNER observed GALT move his possessions and noted that he had no luggage and all of his possessions were either moved in a paper bag or box.

On April 7, 1968, HAROLD G. ANDERSON, an employee of the Albert Pick Motel, 14th and Spring Streets, N.E., Atlanta, was brought to the rooming house by FRED C. JONES, who is also employed by this hotel. GARNER assigned ANDERSON Room #2 at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., and noted that the individual he believed to be GALT and ANDERSON became friendly.

On April 9, 1968, at approximately 9:00 P.M., GALT and ANDERSON came to GARNER's room at 107 - 14th Street, N.E., at which time GALT advised GARNER that both he and ANDERSON were checking out. He said both men appeared to have been drinking. During the conversation, GALT advised he had received a telephone call from a friend in Michigan and had learned that welders were receiving a higher hourly wage there. For this reason, he had decided to go to Michigan to seek work. ANDERSON, who was a motel employee, indicated he was going to Michigan with GALT and hoped to obtain employment as a welder's helper. GARNER recalled he refunded approximately \$17 to ANDERSON, who had paid two weeks in advance on registering on April 7. GALT did not ask for a refund, although he was paid through April 11, but did receive the return of his \$.50 deposit for the key.

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Thereafter, GARNER accompanied GALT and ANDERSON to ANDERSON's room where he secured the room keys from both GALT and ANDERSON. At this time he noted several beer bottles in the room and presumed GALT and ANDERSON had been drinking together. GARNER did not actually observe the departure of GALT and ANDERSON, but noted both were gone on the morning of April 10, 1968, as was the previously-described black Ford auto.

GARNER made available the registration for HAROLD G. ANDERSON. This registration does not reflect an address for ANDERSON, but indicates that his father is G. F. ANDERSON, Duluth, Georgia, telephone number 448-4672. GARNER explained that he always attempts to obtain the name and address for a next of kin for his roomers.

GARNER provided the following physical description of HAROLD G. ANDERSON:

Race	White
Sex	Male
Age	40
Height	5' 9"
Weight	155 - 160 pounds
Hair	Light brown, parted on side
Complexion	Medium
Eyes	Unknown
Distinguishing Characteristics	None noted
Dress	Casual, shirt and slacks

GARNER identified other tenants who resided at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., during the same period that GALT was a roomer there.

GARNER said he was unable to recall GALT's first name, but advised he had observed mail on the hall table of the rooming house at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., which mail was

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addressed to GALT. At this point, GARNER accompanied the interviewing Agents to 113 - 14th Street, N.E., where it was observed that there were two letters and a package on the hall table addressed to ERIC S. or E. GALT. The package was postmarked 4/1/68, and the letters were postmarked 4/9 and 4/10/68. GARNER advised his sister, ROBBIE LEE GARNER, a school teacher who resides in the Dixieland Apartments, 1295 Donnelly Avenue, S.W., Atlanta, had visited him on either Friday or Saturday night, April 12 or 13, 1968. At this time his sister had thumbed through the mail on the table at the 113 - 14th Street address and upon noticing the mail addressed to ERIC GALT, she commented to GARNER that this was the same name as the individual who, according to newspaper publicity, was a suspect in the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. GARNER stated that he did not feel there was any likelihood that the GALT who had stayed at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., was identical with this suspect, stating many people have the same name.

GARNER stated that he had neither seen nor heard of GALT prior to April 5, 1968, and that during GALT's stay at his rooming house he saw nothing to indicate that GALT had any connection with any other tenant at this address prior to his arrival there. GARNER was asked whether he had any explanation for the fact that GALT had mail postmarked 4/1/68 addressed to him at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., and according to GARNER, GALT did not arrive at this location until April 5, 1968. GALT said he was unable to explain this, and had no idea how this could occur.

GARNER was also questioned concerning the possibility that GALT or any other roomers had left material with him in storage or for safekeeping. He assured that this was not so. He did report that Rooms #4 and #5 at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., both of which it was noted were fastened with hasps and padlocks, were storage rooms. He stated they contained only linens and possibly a few items of no value left behind by roomers.

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With regard to Room #5 at 107 - 14th Street, N.E., GARNER said that this room had not been occupied by anyone since GALT was transferred from this room on April 7, 1968. He noted, however, that the maid, PERRY LEE ZACHRY or her helper, identity unknown, would have changed the sheets in Room #5 after GALT was moved.

With regard to Room #6 at 113 - 14th Street, N.E., this room remained vacant until April 13, 1968, when it was rented to DAVID O'DONNELL, 12 Andover Drive, Syosset, New York. He described O'DONNELL as a very young man who is also employed at the Albert Pick Motel and who was brought to the rooming house by FRED C. JONES. He said he does not believe this room was made up prior to its being rented to O'DONNELL, but advised he had given O'DONNELL clean sheets so that he could change the linens himself.

GARNER said he did not know of any association between GALT and other roomers at either of the rooming houses except the association with HAROLD G. ANDERSON, as previously described.

In explanation for the failure of the name "GALT" to appear on the rooming house records, GARNER said that he can only explain this by saying he received payment for the room while away from the place where he maintains his records and had inadvertently failed to record the name when he returned to his room.

The interview of GARNER concluded at 1:38 AM, April 15, 1968.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA 44-2386

DATE: 4-16-68

FROM : Complaint Clerk Jerry D. Roseberry

SUBJECT: MURKIN

SARAH JEAN WELDON, 487 McWilliams Ave., S.E, Atlanta, 373-0097, called at 12:45 pm 4-16-68 and advised that she works at the Corner Tavern, Highland and Virginai. On 4-3-68 she dated a guy named ROBERT she met at the tavern.

ROBERT drove a white Mustang equipped with a radio, speaker in rear, and air conditioner. She described ROBERT as w/m, 35-40, 6'-6"2", 185 lbs., black/brown hair, gray/green eyes, long lashes, good looking, said he was from Tennessee and claimed to work for an advertising agency.

WELDON stated there is something about ROBERT that seared her and she would not let him take her home and she cancelled a date for 4/5/68 with him. She has not seen him since. She stated ROBERT never threatened her, but she just got a feeling that something was wrong and she wanted to get away from him.

She advised that the mustang driven by ROBERT might be the one the FBI took possession of last week. And if it is the same her fingerprints should be in it. A copy of her prints are on file with the APD due to her employment in a business where alcoholic beverages are sold.

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M. J. Martin
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1245PM URGENT 4-16-68 RXB

TO ATLANTA AND MEMPHIS
FROM NEW ORLEANS 157-10673

MURKIN

RE: WILLIAM L. FISHER

ON APRIL SIXTEEN, INSTANT, SERGEANT WILLIAM WELCH,
TROOP D, LOUISIANA STATE POLICE, LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA,
ADVISED THAT ON APRIL NINE, LAST, AT TWO FIFTEEN PM, HE
OBSERVED AN INDIVIDUAL SLEEPING ALONG SIDE INTERSTATE TEN
NEAR-ROANOKE, LOUISIANA, IN A SIXTYEIGHT PLYMOUTH SEDAN,
BEARING SIXTYSEVEN GEORGIA ONE SIX J EIGHT ZERO SIX EIGHT.

WELCH FOUND THE DRIVER TO HAVE IDENTIFICATION IN THE NAME
OF WILLIAM L. FISHER, WHITE MALE, AMERICAN, FIVE FEET
TEN AND A HALF INCHES, ONE HUNDRED FIFTY POUNDS, BLUE
EYES, BROWN HAIR, BORN AUGUST TEN, TWENTY, RESIDING OLD
SWANNEE ROAD, BUFORD, GEORGIA. FISHER HAD GEORGIA DRIVER'S
LICENSE THREE FOUR THREE THREE ONE SEVEN SEVEN. SERGEANT
WELCH LATER OBSERVED A PROFILE SKETCH OF THE UNKNOWN
SUBJECT, AS CARRIED IN THE BEAUMONT ENTERPRISE, A BEAUMONT.
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COMMERCIAL ARTIST IN MEMPHIS AND CARRIED IN THE BEAUMONT
ENTERPRISE OF APRIL SIX, LAST, AND LATER EDITIONS. WELCH
STATED THAT FISHER BEARS A STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO THIS
SKETCH.

ATLANTA AT ATLANTA, GEORGIA. WILL DETERMINE OWNER
REGISTRATION FOR ABOVE VEHICLE, CONDUCT APPROPRIATE
INVESTIGATION RE FISHER.

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212PM URGENT 4/16/68 NTY

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS 44-1987 AND ATLANTA 44-2386
FROM BOSTON 157-644

MURKIN

RE ATLANTA TEL THIS DATE CONCERNING CONTACTS AT JOHN
BIRCH HEADQUARTERS.

WHILE BOSTON HAS HAD CONTACTS WITH INDIVIDUALS AT
JOHN BIRCH HEADQUARTERS, BELMONT, MASS., IN PAST AND SUCH
CONTACTS HAVE RESULTED IN CORDIAL COOPERATION, BOSTON DOES
NOT BELIEVE DISCRETION OF THESE CONTACTS CAN BE RELIED UPON
IN THIS SITUATION.

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