

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAY 16 1968

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1027 AM URGENT 5/16/68 KSW

TO DIRECTOR 44-38861, MEMPHIS, ST. LOUIS

FROM KANSAS CITY 44-760 1P

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RE ST. LOUIS TEL MAY FIFTEEN LAST.

KANSAS CITY, MO., PHONE DE THREE FIVE FIVE THREE EIGHT ASSIGNED TO US CHEMICAL CORP. KANSAS CITY PHONE DE THREE FIVE NINE ZERO ZERO ASSIGNED TO THREE CONCERNS: MID-CONTINENT MEDIA CORP., US ALUMINUM CORP., AND PACE PRODUCTS CORP., ALL OF KANSAS CITY. THESE CONCERNS NOT BEING CONTACTED AS THEY APPEAR NORMAL BUSINESS CONCERNS.

TELEPHONE EN FIVE THREE ONE ZERO ONE, IOLA, KS., ASSIGNED TO THE IOLA STATE BANK. HOWARD GILPEN, PRESIDENT, IOLA STATE BANK, A RELIABLE SOURCE, ADVISED THAT THEY HAVE NO RECORDS AT THE BANK IN THE NAME OF SUBJECT, J. D. DAILEY OR HOMER TOWNSLEY AND KNOWS OF NO ONE IN PORTAGEVILLE, MO. THAT THE BANK DOES BUSINESS WITH.

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1. The Commission has been informed that the following information was received from the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of China (Taiwan) on May 16, 1964:

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1. *What is the main purpose of the study?*
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 3. *What is the significance of the study?*
 4. *What are the limitations of the study?*
 5. *What are the conclusions of the study?*

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1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long

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From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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John Eugene Gawron was interviewed by St. Louis Office and advised he taught Ray to be a burglar. He stated that on or about 6/23-24/67, he read in the Chicago "Tribune" of a \$50,000 bank burglary in a southern state and recalled that he and Ray cashed the same bank in 1958 or 1959, but did not rob the bank at that time because he injured his leg. A few days after reading this article Gawron claims he was visited by a man whom he refuses to identify and whom he believes he introduced to Ray in 1959. This man told Gawron he and others had robbed the bank, displayed a valise full of money and gave Gawron \$250. About six weeks ago this man again visited Gawron and allegedly indicated to him that Ray and one or more other persons had been involved with him in the bank robbery.

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DATE: 11-10-83 BY: (11-10-83)

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I - Mr. POWELL
I - Mr. MCCORMACK

**Airtel SACs, Chicago, Detroit, Indianapolis, Jackson,
Kansas City, Knoxville, Memphis, Milwaukee, Minneapolis,
New Orleans, Omaha, Little Rock, St. Louis, Springfield**

RE: MURKIN

During this interview Gawron refused to identify the bank or the man who visited him. He did say that the bank was in the deep South in a State like Mississippi, but not in Mississippi, in a city that is not small and is near a river. The robbers were out of state in five minutes and the loot amounted to \$50,000, plus or minus two thousand.

Based upon available information, the Chicago "Tribune" and the Bureau's bank robbery files have been reviewed without finding any reference to a robbery such as Gawron described.

Gawron has now been reinterviewed and he denies having any contact with Ray since Ray's escape. Regarding the southern bank robbery Gawron previously alleged Ray was involved in, Gawron now states that this could have occurred in July, 1967, instead of June, and was in a city on the east bank of the Mississippi River.

Each office receiving this communication should make a review of their records to determine if such bank robbery or any other robbery coming within the jurisdiction of the Bureau occurred. You should make inquiry at appropriate police departments to determine if a robbery of this magnitude exists in their files.

Armed and dangerous.

NOTE: Information received from John Gawron, St. Louis, to effect that Ray could have possibly be involved in bank robbery in June or July, 1967, and account of a robbery occurred in Chicago "Tribune." Bureau records as well as the Chicago "Tribune" have been checked regarding this and negative findings resulted. Gawron on subsequent interview has stated that this robbery could have occurred in July, 1967, and was in a city to the east bank of the Mississippi River. He still refuses to completely clarify this matter. Receiving offices are requested to search their records, as well as records of appropriate police departments, to determine if such a robbery occurred.

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FBI ST LOUIS

1122PM URGENT 5-15-68 JJR

TO: DIRECTOR , MEMPHIS AND OMAHA
FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 1P

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HOMER TOWNSLEY, SL BONDSMAN, THINKS J.D. DAILEY TOLD HIM RAY CONTACTED DAILEY AFTER RAY ESCAPED FROM MSP. DAILEY SAID HE HAD KNOWN RAY FOR LONG TIME. TOWNSLEY DID NOT KNOW WHETHER DAILEY HELPED RAY. DAILEY DENIES KNOWING RAY. DAILEY KNOWN TO USE PAY PHONE AT LA FONTS SINCLAIR STATION. HIGHWAY SIX ONE , PORTAGEVILLE, MO., PHONE DR NINE DASH THREE FIVE ZERO TWO.

SW BELL TELE. CO. (PROTECT) ADVISED CALLS MADE FROM THAT PHONE NOV. ONE, LAST, TO OMAHA, NEB., PHONE THREE FOUR TWO DASH FOUR TWO FOUR EIGHT.

OMAHA IMMEDIATELY IDENTIFY SUBSCRIBER. UNLESS IT APPEARS TO BE NORMAL BUSINESS CALL, INTERVIEW, COMPLETELY PROTECTING PHONE CO., AND DETERMINE IF CALL BEARS ON WHEREABOUTS OR ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECT.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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FBI WASH DC

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FBI PITTSBGH

949AM URGENT 5/16/68 RLC

TO DIRECTOR (44-38861)

NEW YORK

FROM PITTSBURGH (44-578)3P

MURKIN

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED MAY NINE SIXTYEIGHT
AND SAVANNAH TELETYPE TO THE BUREAU DATED MAY TWELVE SIXTYEIGHT.

ALIAS JOHN WILLARD.

FOR INFORMATION NEW YORK ATLANTA ADVISED RECORDS OF
DOWNTOWNER MOTOR INN, ATLANTA, REFLECT JOHN O. WILLARD
WITHEROW ROAD, SEWICKLEY, PA., REPRESENTING W. W. NORTON AND
COMPANY, INC., WAS REGISTERED IN THE MOTEL IN ROOM FOUR ONE ONE
ON APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN LAST. WILLARD, WHO IS ONLY PERSON BY
THAT NAME REGISTERED IN MOTEL FROM MARCH SIXTYEIGHT, UNTIL
APRIL, SIXTYEIGHT, WAS DRIVING CHEVROLET BEARING NEW YORK
LICENSE THREE EIGHT THREE TWO - W X.

ON MAY TWELVE LAST, SAVANNAH ADVISED EXPANDED AIRLINE
CHECK REVEALED DELTA AIRLINES RECORDS INDICATE A JOHN WILLARD
MADE RESERVATION ON EAL APRIL ELEVEN LAST, CHANGED FLIGHT, AND
FLEW APRIL TEN LAST ON EAL AND RETURNED ATLANTA APRIL FIFTEEN
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LAST ON DAL FLIGHT NUMBER TWENTY. LEFT CONTACT NUMBERS MIAMI FOUR FOUR EIGHT DASH ZERO TWO SEVEN SIX AND SAVANNAH TWO THREE THREE DASH FIVE THREE ONE, ROOM FIVE TWO ONE. LATTER NUMBER IS SAVANNAH DOWNTOWNER MOTEL. AT WHICH INQUIRY DEVELOPED JOHN O. WILLARD, WITHEROW ROAD, SEWICKLEY, PA., REPRESENTING W. W. NORTON, COMPANY, DRIVING CHEVROLET CAR NEW YORK LICENSE THREE EIGHT THREE TWO W X, CHECKED INTO ROOM FOUR TWO ONE ON MARCH TWENTYSIX LAST AND OUT MARCH TWENTYEIGHT LAST. CHECKED IN AGAIN INTO ROOM FIVE TWO ONE SAME BACKGROUND INFORMATION, WITH A BARRY L. BEAL, SEVEN ONE ZERO N. W. FOURTEENTH AVENUE, GAINSVILLE, FLORIDA, ON MARCH TWENTYNINE LAST AND OUT ON MARCH THIRTYONE LAST.

INVESTIGATION AT SEWICKLEY, PA., ON MAY TEN TO MAY TWELVE LAST, DEVELOPS ONE LOUIS WILLARD, JR., RESIDING ON WITHEROW ROAD. ATTEMPTS TO CONTACT NEGATIVE. CREDIT CHECK REFLECTS JOHN O. WILLARD, WITHEROW ROAD, EMPLOYED BY W. W. NORTON AND U. CO., INC., FIVE FIVE FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, AS A COLLEGE TRAVELER.

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NEW YORK, AT W. W. NORTON AND U. CO., INC., DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IDENTICAL WITH RAY. IF UNABLE TO ELIMINATE DETERMINE PRESENT WHEREABOUTS AND SET OUT LEADS TO INTERVIEW.

PITTSBURGH, AT SEWICKLEY, PA., WILL CONTINUE EFFORTS TO LOCATE LOUIS WILLARD, JR.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

AIRMAIL COPIES SENT MEMPHIS, SAVANNAH AND ATLANTA. P

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Date: 5/16/68

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(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (MAIL) AND SAC, ST. LOUIS

FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) (PP. 1)

MURKIN, CR.

RE SL TEL TO SI THIS DATE.

QUINCY TELEPHONE NUMBER TWO TWO THREE DASH NINE FOUR SIX FIVE IS PHONE NUMBER OF RUBY CARPENTER, FORMER WIFE OF SUBJECT'S FATHER. CARPENTER HAS BEEN INTERVIEWED AND APPEARS TO BE COOPERATIVE. CARPENTER HAS CLOSE FAMILY TIES AND IT WOULD APPEAR THAT PEPPER'S TELEPHONE CALL TO THIS NUMBER WOULD NOT INDICATE SUBJECT'S WHEREABOUTS AT PRESENT. CARPENTER WILL NOT BE INTERVIEWED IN ORDER THAT THIS INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUE WILL NOT BE DISCLOSED. AM COPIES SENT MEMPHIS AND CHICAGO.

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1 - Springfield (44-561)
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 1 - Chicago (AM)
 1 - Memphis (AM)
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Approved: _____

57 MAY 23 1968 Special Agent in Charge

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(1)
TO: DIRECTOR (100-447494)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-447494) (P)
SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY (A);
RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY 17, 1968.

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RE: NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY 17, 1968.
FOR INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, THE FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF THE
INTERVIEW OF JAMES EARL RAY, CONDUCTED BY SA [REDACTED] ON MAY 17, 1968.
RAY STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN ADVISED BY AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IDENTIFIED
HIMSELF AS [REDACTED] THAT HE HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY AN INDIVIDUAL
WHO OFFERED HIM \$25,000 TO ASSIST IN THE ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION
OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN. RAY STATED THAT HE HAD REFUSED THE OFFER
AND HAD BEEN ADVISED THAT HE WOULD BE KILLED IF HE REFUSED.
RAY STATED THAT HE HAD BEEN ADVISED THAT HE WOULD BE KILLED IF HE
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-447494) (P)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-447494) (P)

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Date: 5/16/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

OO: MEMPHIS

Re Birmingham airtel to the Bureau dated 5/8/68 concerning reported telephone calls from San Bernardino and Santa Barbara, California, to the Auckland, New Zealand, Police Department during March and April 1968.

The General Telephone Company of California, Santa Monica, California, provides telephone service at San Bernardino and Santa Barbara.

Established telephone company sources have caused a search to be made of records accumulated to date of all overseas telephone calls placed from the above two cities during March and April 1968. No record of a call to Auckland, New Zealand, was located.

Overseas call records for March and April 1968 are continuing to arrive at the General Telephone Company accounting center at Santa Monica. They are being reviewed as they arrive to locate a record of the pertinent calls. The Los Angeles Office will be immediately advised of positive information.

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2 - Memphis (44-1987)
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E.C. Bishop

Approved: **57 MAY 23 1968**
Special Agent in Charge

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Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL _____
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Kansas City airtels to Bureau 5/7/68 and 5/8/68 as well as San Francisco airtel to Bureau 5/8/68 and Los Angeles airtel to Bureau 5/10/68.

For the information of St. Louis, referenced Kansas City airtel of 5/8/68 named seven former inmates of Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP) who should be contacted to ascertain if they can furnish any information concerning the whereabouts of JAMES EARL RAY.

On 5/10/68, a review of the Los Angeles Police Department file 304218-D on DENNIS WADE FONTENNOT reflected that FONTENNOT is a transient drunk with arrests for drunk as recent as 12/15/67. Records fail to reflect any employment or residences in California, and FONTENNOT has been arrested for sleeping on park benches as recent as 8/1/67.

The following background and descriptive information was obtained from the Los Angeles Police Department file 304218-D:

Name	DENNIS WADE FONTENNOT
Race	Caucasian
Sex	Male
DOB	

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- ③ - Bureau
 - 2 - Kansas City (AM)
 - 2 - St. Louis (AM)
 - 1 - Memphis (Info.) (AM)
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C. C. Bishop

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was obtained from the Los Angeles Police Department file
the following background and descriptive information

sleeping on park benches as recent as 8/1/67. **FBI - CIVIL RIGHTS**
residences in California, and CONTEMPT has been arrested for
as 12/12/67. Records fail to reflect any employment of
CONTEMPT is a transient drunk with aliases for drunk and recent
arrestment file 304518-D on DENIAL MADE CONTEMPT reflected that
on 2/10/68, a relative of the Los Angeles Police

JAMES EARL RAY.

they can furnish any information concerning the whereabouts of
State Penitentiary (WSP) who should be contacted as necessary to
city sister of 2/10/68 named seven former inmates of Missouri
for the information of St. Louis, referenced Kansas

sister to Bureau 2/10/68.

will be San Francisco sister to Bureau 2/10/68 and Los Angeles
Re Kansas City sister to Bureau 2/10/68 and 2/10/68 as

SUBJECT: MURKIN

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1244) (P)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

2/10/68

LA 44-1574

Height	5'4"
Weight	145 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Brown
Address (1966)	605 Kemp Street Midland, Texas
Relatives	CLIFTON FONTENOTE New Orleans (1967)
FBI Number	860 489 B
Occupation	Transient
Characteristics	Common Drunk

Referenced airtel from San Francisco to Bureau 5/8/68 reflects that (FNU) WADE has been located and interviewed by San Francisco and no further efforts are being made in an attempt to identify FONTENNOT as WADE who was in the Missouri State Prison with JAMES EARL RAY.

On 5/14/68, Mrs. LEORA RICO, 1278 East 126th Street, Los Angeles, California, advised that CHERRI PICO, sister of CHARLES AMOS STEWART, used to live in common-law with her son at their residence but she has not been in Los Angeles since November, 1967, when she left for places unknown in Missouri. Mrs. PICO advised that CHARLES STEWART has not been in Los Angeles to the best of her knowledge. Mrs. PICO advised she has no idea as to the whereabouts of her son who was living with CHERRI and she has no idea as to the present whereabouts of CHERRI or her brother CHARLES STEWART.

On 5/14/68, Mrs. MARY RUSSELL, Trailer No. 60, 8111 Stanford Drive, Garden Grove, California, advised that JUDITH LEA MC FARLIN, wife of DAVID DON MC FARLIN, had spent some time as a house guest of hers in 1966. Mrs. RUSSELL advised that she has no idea where DAVID DON MC FARLIN might be but she stated that the last she heard was that JUDITH

LA 44-1574

MC FARLIN was residing with her parents at 4331 A Lafayette, St. Louis, Missouri, telephone PR 1-3288. Mrs. RUSSELL stated that JUDITH is her Grand Neice by marriage, but she knows nothing about JUDITH's husband.

On 5/14/68, Mrs. PAULINE COMBS, 4676 West 133rd Street, Hawthorne, California, telephone 675-1047, advised that Mrs. ROSELEE GRIDER, wife of LAWRENCE ALBERT GRIDER, has not been living in California for many months. She advised that she has never met Mr. GRIDER and she has no information regarding his whereabouts. Mrs. COMBS stated that ROSELEE GRIDER was last known to reside at 1510½ North Lyon Street, Springfield, Missouri.

On 5/15/68, a review of the records of the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office failed to reflect any record for "SAM MASSY" as being arrested in Los Angeles City or County for armed robbery in 1965 or 1966. The records were further checked under the spelling MASSIE, MASSEY and MASSI with negative results.

LEADS

KANSAS CITY

AT SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI. Will locate and interview Mrs. ROSELEE GRIDER, 1510½ North Lyons Street, in an effort to locate LAWRENCE ALBERT GRIDER, her husband, who was in the Missouri State Penitentiary during the same period as JAMES EARL RAY, in order that he may be interviewed regarding any information he may have pertaining to RAY.

ST. LOUIS

AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. Will locate and interview Mrs. JUDITH LEA MC FARLIN, 4331 A Lafayette Street, in an effort to locate DAVID DON MC FARLIN, her husband, who was in the Missouri State Penitentiary during the same period as JAMES EARL RAY, in order that he may be interviewed regarding any information he may have pertaining to RAY.

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Date: May 16, 1968

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SEATTLE (44-371) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: MEMPHIS

RE: KENNETH LEE WADE
MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY

Re San Francisco airtel to Bureau, 5/8/68, a copy of which was furnished to Kansas City.

Records of U. S. Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Washington, reflect DONALD RICHARD BUSSMEYER was transferred January 22, 1968, to U. S. Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas.

LEAD

KANSAS CITY DIVISION
At U. S. Penitentiary
Leavenworth, Kansas

Will interview DONALD BUSSMEYER, who was arrested with WADE in a series of Los Angeles robberies and who was reported to have been in the Missouri State Penitentiary with JAMES EARL RAY.

Will interview BUSSMEYER to determine if he has any knowledge of RAY's present whereabouts.

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2 - Kansas City
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2 - Seattle
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Special Agent in Charge

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Date: 5/16/68

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIP MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: *Cuf* SAC, SAN FRANCISCO (173-65) -P-

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CR
OO: Memphis

Re Cincinnati teletype, 5/15/68.

For the information of Indianapolis and Springfield,
the contents of referenced teletype is set out:

Mrs. JOHN VANCE, 514 Ryan Avenue, Columbus, Ohio,
received a letter from her sister, Mrs. R. M. PERKINS, 2262
Market Street, San Francisco. Mrs. VANCE contacted Columbus
Resident Agency because the letter contained the following:

"Before I forget PUBY, did you know
that guy they claim shot MARTIN LUTHER KING
is a grandson of those RAINES (RAYNES) that
lived across from us on Vermont Street?
(JIMMIE). Aunt NETTIE was married to a RAY
(last name) from Missouri that is also one of
his aliases. (EARL RAY) I bet GOLDIE knew
him. Also DIDDIE. RAY HALL remembers him
so BERNICE said."

Mrs. M. R. PERKINS, 2262 Market Street, San Fran-
cisco, on 5/15/68, advised that the RAYNES or RAY family
lived across the street from her grandmother in Quincy, Illinois.
She advised that she knows nothing about the RAY family and

- 3 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Cincinnati (Info.) (RM)
2 - Memphis (44-1987) (RM)
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2 - Springfield (RM)
2 - San Francisco

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JAMES EARL RAY except the fact that they could be the RAY family that lived across the street from her grandmother. She advised it was only after reading about the KING murder in the newspapers and reading the name RAY that she associated the name and Quincy, Illinois.

She advised that the following people from Quincy live in San Francisco:

GOLDIE CLARK, 244 Circular Avenue,
South San Francisco, California
telephone number JU6-7941,
an employee of the Pacific Telephone Co.

RAYMOND HALL, 1512 Shrader Street,
San Francisco, California
telephone number LO6-9463.

She advised a JAMES HALL was from Quincy, Illinois and was now residing at 1711 Shawnee Road, Indianapolis, Ind. She advised JAMES HALL was about RAY's age and grew up in the same neighborhood.

She advised that DIRICK (DITTY) FRANKS also known as EALL, resided at 615 Jefferson, Quincy, Illinois, and was the former husband of GOLDIE CLARK. She advised that GOLDIE CLARK at one time operated a house of prostitution in Quincy.

She advised that her father, LAFAYETTE DILTS, exact address unknown, Quincy, Illinois, might know the RAY family because at one time he was a bootlegger in Quincy and it was reported that the RAY family was engaged in bootlegging activities.

GOLDIE CLARK, 244 Circular Avenue, South San Francisco, on 5/15/68, advised that she has been away from Quincy, Illinois for several years. She stated she never knew the RAY or RAYNES family in Quincy. She advised that she did not know JAMES EARL RAY and does not know his present whereabouts. She advised that she vaguely recalled having heard of an EARL RAY. She advised that she could not furnish

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any information regarding JAMES EARL RAY and/or his present whereabouts.

Mrs. RAYMOND HALL, 1512 Shrader, San Francisco, on 5/15/68, advised that she and her husband were both from Quincy, Illinois but have been away from Quincy for over 25 years. She advised that they have read newspaper accounts of JAMES EARL RAY's involvement in the KING case, but advised that neither of them know JAMES EARL RAY. She stated that she has no idea of his present whereabouts.

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INDIANAPOLIS

AT INDIANAPOLIS, IND. Will contact JAMES HALL, 1711 Shawnee Road, for any information he might have regarding the background and/or whereabouts of JAMES EARL RAY.

SPRINGFIELD

AT QUINCY, ILL. Will contact DIRICK (DITTY) FRANKS, aka HALL, 615 Jefferson, for any information regarding the background and/or whereabouts of JAMES EARL RAY.

(2) Will contact LAFAYETTE DILTS, exact address unknown, possibly 300 block of Elm or Vine, for any information regarding background and/or whereabouts of JAMES EARL RAY. (Mrs. PERKINS suggested that the Chief of Police would know her father's whereabouts.)

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FROM ST. LOUIS (44-775) 1P

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RE KANSAS CITY TEL MAY FOURTEEN LAST IN WHICH MSP INMATE
JAMES D. WALLACE BELIEVED MENARD BROTHERS MIGHT
HAVE INFO RE RAY WHEREABOUTS.

ADDRESS FOR HAZEL MENARD, MOTHER, TWO ONE ZERO FOUR SOUTH EIGHTH,
SLMO, NON EXISTENT AT LEAST PAST FIVE YEARS, NEIGHBORS UNAWARE OF
WHEREABOUTS.

IDENT DIVISION IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH SL IDENT RECORDS FOR
RAYMOND O. MENARD, FBI NUMBER FOUR SEVEN ONE EIGHT TWO TWO SEVEN;
RICHARD MENARD, FBI NUMBER FOUR FOUR NINE SIX EIGHT FOUR EIGHT; AND
LOUIS GENE MENARD, FBI NUMBER FIVE ONE SEVEN NINE EIGHT EIGHT A,
TO ASSIST IN LOCATING.

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SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE CO. (PROTECT) ADVISED CALL MADE FROM THAT PHONE MARCH THIRTY, LAST, TO KCMO PHONE DE THREE FIVE FIVE THREE EIGHT; NOV. NINE, LAST, TO KCMO PHONE DE THREE FIVE NINE ZERO ZERO; AND TO IOLA, KANSAS EN FIVE THREE ONE ZERO ONE NOV. TWENTY, LAST, TWO CALLS.

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TO DIRECTOR AND MEMPHIS
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RE JOHN LARRY RAY, BROTHER:

REINTERVIEWED. STATED IF RAY HAD BEEN IN SL FOLLOWING ESCAPE HE WOULD UNQUESTIONABLY HAVE CONTACTED HIM, PARTICULARLY IF NEEDED HELP. WOULD STILL HELP IF ASKED, BUT MIGHT TELL FBI AFTERWARDS. STATES JOHN GAWRON CRAZY. ALL GAWRON DOES OR TALKS ABOUT IS CASE JOBS, BUT NEVER PULLS ANY. LIVES IN PAST. POSITIVE IF RAY EVER IN SL WOULD NEVER CONTACT GAWRON AS DOES NOT TRUST HIM. BELIVES RAY HAD PLENTY OF MONEY ON ESCAPE FROM ALLEGED PRISON DEALING IN AMPHETAMINE. BELIEVES RAY IMMEDIATELY LEFT COUNTRY AFTER ESCAPE AS HE STATED DURING JOHNS VISITS HE WOULD DO SO IF EVER GOT OUT, AS HE WAS SICK OF LAW ENFORCEMENT HARASSMENT. WOULD NOT BE WITH FALL PARTNER JAMES L. OWENS AS RAY WOULD KILL OWENS IF HE SAW HIM, AS BELIEVES OWENS RESPONSIBLE FOR KROGER ARREST AND CONVICTION. NEVER SAW RAY WITH LONG HAIR, WAS ALWAYS CREW CUT.

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Summary JOHN HAS COMBINATION LISP-STUTTER SPEECH IMPEDIMENT. STATES
~~JEFF~~ LAUGH IS NERVOUS REACTION TO QUESTIONING WHICH HAS CAUSED
HIM TROUBLE WITH POLICE IN PAST. CLAIMS UNCOOPERATIVE WHEN CONTACTED
THREE TIMES FIVE FOURTEEN LAST , ONCE FIVE FIFTEEN LAST, BY LA SUN TIMES
REPORTER. JOHN CLAIMS NOT TO KNOW ANYONE NAMED JAMES DAVID DAILEY,
BUT RECALLS MAN KNOWN TO HIM ONLY AS J.D. WHO OWNED BAR AT TWELFTH
AND MORRISON, SL AND LATER HALF WAY HOUSE RESTURANT. DOES NOT
BELIEVE JD KNOWS HIM. JD ~~QUOTE~~"SICKED"~~UNQUOTE~~ SEVEN MEN ON HIM
IN TAVERN NINETEEN SIXTY. LATER CAUGHT J.D. ALONE AND BEAT HIM UP.
CLAIMED NO WAY OF KNOWING IF SUBJECT KNOWS JD. SOURCES AND SPOT
CHECKS ^IDISCLOSED NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY BY OTHER RELATIVES FIVE
FIFTEEN LAST.

RE JAMES LAOMA OWENS, FELLOW PRISONER:

OWENS LOCATED CRYSTAL CITY, MO., EVENING FIVE FIFTEEN LAST.
APPOINTMENT TO INTERVIEW BEFORE HE GOES TO WORK TODAY.

RE JEFFERSON-GRAVOIS BANK CHECK.

CHECK OF ALL RECORDS, INCLUDING SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES, -
JEFFERSON-GRAVOIS BANK SLMO, UNDER SUBJECT NAME AND ALL ALIASES,
AND JAMES LAOMA OWENS, UNPRODUCTIVE.

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RE SLPD CHECKS:

COMPUTERIZED FIELD INTERROGATION REPORTS PAREN¹⁴ FIRS¹ END PAREN,
SLPD, AVAILABLE BACK TO NOVEMBER SIXTY SEVEN CHECK FOR ANY POLICE
QUESTIONING OF ANY INDIVIDUAL OF SUBJECTS BIRTH DATE, DESCRIPTION,
OR NAME-ALIASES. NEGATIVE. FIRS FOR THIRD DISTRICT, SLPD, AVAILABLE
FOR PAST TWELVE MONTHS, BEING MANUALLY CHECKED.

RE JOHN EUGENE GAWRON:

LR REQUESTED BY SEPARATE TELETYPE TO LOCATE AND INTERVIEW JAMES
HENRY RAMSEY, GAWRON FALL PARTNER ON BURGLARY ARREST JUNE TWO SIXTYSEVEN
AND WHO LIVED WITH GAWRON DURING MAY SIXTYSEVEN PERIOD WHEN EXCON
JAMES H. CARPENTER ALLEGEDLY SAW RAY IN GAWRON NEIGHBORHOOD.

GAWRON DAILY ASSOCIATE AND FORMER NEIGHBOR JOSEPH H. MC CORMICK,
WHO HAS RECEIVED PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT IN PAST, ADVISED NO ONE OF RAYS
APPEARANCE OBSERVED NEAR GAWRON RESIDENCE OR ANYWHERE ELSE SINCE
ESCAPE. RECOGNIZED FIFTY NINE RAY PHOTO AS PERSON HE SAW IN TAVERNS
WITH GAWRON THAT YEAR. GAWRON NEVER MENTIONED RAY UNTIL PRESENT
PUBLICITY, AND THEN SAID RAY WAS HIS STEPSON.

RESOLUTIONS OF LOOK-ALIKES, FELLOW PRISONER INTERVIEWS, AND
RESOLUTION OF TOLL TICKET CHECKS CONTINUING.

SUBJECT ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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TO: DIRECTOR MEMPHIS AND HONOLULU VIA WASHINGTON TELEX

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775) 1P

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RE KC TEL MAY FOURTEENTH AND SPRINGFIELD TEL MAY FIFTEENTH
REGARDING JAMES LAOMA OWENS. *110*

OWENS LOCATED CRYSTAL CITY, MO., FIVE FIFTEEN LAST.

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TO: DIRECTOR, MEMPHIS AND SPRINGFIELD

FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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THE GRAPE VINE TAVERN, SLMO, IS OWNED BY CAROL PEPPER, SUBJECT'S
SISTER, AND OPERATED BY JOHN LARRY RAY, SUBJECT'S BROTHER.

FOLLOWING CALLS MADE FROM COIN PHONE AT TAVERN:

EIGHT SEVEN SEVEN DASH FIVE TWO SIX EIGHT, GRANITE CITY,
FEB. EIGHT.

EIGHT SEVEN SIX DASH NINE NINE NINE ZERO, GRANITE CITY, FEB.
EIGHT.

EIGHT SEVEN FOUR DASH SIX FIVE ZERO ZERO, E. ST. LOUIS,
FEB. TWENTYNINE.

EIGHT SEVEN FIVE DASH SEVEN SEVEN SEVEN ZERO, E. ST. LOUIS,
MARCH FIFTEEN.

SPRINGFIELD IDENTIFY SUBSCRIBERS AND DETERMINE IF CALLS BEAR ON
WHEREABOUTS OR ACTIVITIES OF SUBJECT, COMPLETELY PROTECTING PHONE CO.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-441100) FROM SAC, NEW YORK (100-100000) 1P
RE NEW YORK TELETYPE TO BUREAU, MAY 15, 1968.

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TO: DIRECTOR (44-38861), KANSAS CITY (44-760) AND
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FROM: ST. LOUIS (44-775)

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RE FELLOW PRISONER CHESTER SPRATT.

SPRATT INTERVIEWED MAY FIFTEEN, LAST, AND ADVISED HE HAS
NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE SUBJECT; HOWEVER, POINTED OUT THAT CHARLES
WALTERS, AKA "FIFTY", WHO MAY STILL BE A PRISONER AT JEFFERSON
CITY, WAS PROBABLY ACQUAINTED WITH RAY DUE TO HIS WIDE CONTACTS
AMONG INMATES.

KANSAS CITY DETERMINE IF WALTERS IS STILL INCARCERATED
AND IF SO INTERVIEW RE KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT AND IF HE HAS
BEEN RELEASED SET OUT APPROPRIATE LEADS TO HAVE HIM INTERVIEWED.

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FROM HONOLULU

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LAST CONCERNING JAMES LAOMA OWENS.

FOLLOWING INVESTIGATION THIS DATE BY SA LEO S.
BRENNER AT HONOLULU.

FRANK BARTON, NAVAL HOUSING, PEARL HARBOR NAVY YARD,
UNABLE TO LOCATE FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING ERNEST OWENS.
RENTAL CARD FOR OWENS BORE NO MIDDLE INITIAL.

NO RECORD IDA OR ERNEST OWENS CREDIT BUREAU OF

HAWAII AND THEY ARE NOT LISTED IN CURRENT DIRECTORIES.

HONOLULU PD FILES INDICATE ERNEST OWENS, FIVE ONE SEVEN FIFTH
STREET, REPORTED CAR STOLEN NINETEEN FIFTY NINE. NO RECORD
IDA OWENS.

DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS HONOLULU REFLECT FOLLOWING.

ERNEST NEWTON OWENS, BORN

VIRGINIA, STATIONED BARBERS' POINT, NSN TWO SIX

FIVE SEVEN TWO EIGHT TWO ISSUED HAWAII DRIVERS LICENSE
NINETEEN FIFTY FIVE.

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY

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RE: JAMES EARL RAY, AKA, FUGITIVE, IS IN NEW YORK CITY AND IS BEING HELD BY THE NEW YORK POLICE.

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ERNEST (NMI) OWENS BORN [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MISSOURI, STATIONED USS NATCHAUG,
PEARL HARBOR, NSN FOUR THREE EIGHT DASH SEVEN FOUR DASH THREE
NINE ISSUED HAWAII DRIVERS LICENSE FEBRUARY, NINETEEN FIFTY
FOUR.

NO INSERT BEING FORWARDED THIS MATTER. IT IS BEING LEFT
TO DISCRETION OF MEMPHIS TO PURSUE ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE
WIRNEST OWENS THROUGH EXEMINATION NAVY RECORDS.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861) AND MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM LOUISVILLE (44-947) 1P

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RE ST. LOUIS TEL MAY FIFTEEN, LAST.

GEORGE BURTON, SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH
COMPANY, PADUCAH, KENTUCKY, (PROTECT IDENTITY), ADVISED
BARDWELL TELEPHONE SIX TWO EIGHT - FIVE FOUR NINE FOUR
LISTED FOR BEARDSLEY CHEVROLET CO., BARDWELL AND BANDANA
NO. TWO TWO FOUR - FOUR THREE ONE ONE IS LISTED TO STOWELL
HOBBS, ROUTE THREE, KEVIL, KENTUCKY. BEARDSLEY CHEVROLET
CO., REPORTEDLY HAS CUSTOMERS FROM THE MISSOURI AREA AND
HOBBS IS REPORTED TO BE A PROMINENT FARMER WITH LARGE
LAND HOLDINGS IN BOTH KENTUCKY AND MISSOURI.

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