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On April 24, 1968, the above laundries which had been determined to use or to have used the thermo-seal marking machines, were recontacted, and representatives thereof advised that they do not use yellow tapes and do not use the code "20R-3" found on pillowcase and bed sheet located in the trunk of 1966 Mustang registered to ERIC STARVO GALT.

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### DANCE SCHOOLS

The following investigation was conducted by SE RAY J. COLIN, on April 15, 1968:

HERMANN BOHN, Manager, Continental Dance Studios, 391-3162, advised they had no student by the name of GALT. He said they had one phoney in 1966, who was age 28, blond, about 170 pounds, and a complete loss to the company. This fellow gave the name DONALD R. STOWFELL, and signed up for some lessons, and while waiting for the financing to go through, he got a number of "free" lessons. The application, references he gave were untrue. He gave his address as 64 Ewing Road, McKees Rocks, Pa., formerly of RD #2, Duncan, Okla., and that he had been employed by D. R. STOWFELL, Masonry. This man confided to his dance instructor, a Miss STERLING, that he had spent time in jail for assault and battery, and that he had killed his wife's lover. All the credit references turned out to be completely false.

Jack Burkhard Dance Studios, 563-6229, no such student as GALT

Carol Knight Studio of Dance Arts, 881-3181, only has ballet, tap dancing, etc.

Martha Davis Dance Studios, 431-9933, has no adult students in ballroom dancing

Bette Douglas Dance Studios, 443-5609, BETTE DOUGLAS - no such student

Lester Evans Dance Studios, LESTER EVANS, no student by the name of GALT

Lois Green Dancing School, LOIS GREEN, no adult students

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Ken and Jean Studio of Dancing, 678-1277, and 371-5186, no ballroom dancing given

Mae Kort Dancing School,766-1350, Mrs. MAE KORT, no student by the name of GALT

PEGGY A. MOONEY, 731-0188, Miss MOONEY, no such student

Pittsburgh Playhouse School of the Theatre, 621-4445, Miss MICHELE FAITH, no student by the name of GALT

American Talent Academy, 471-2313, now out of business, phone disconnected

Andrew Dance Studios, 322-4158, children only

Barth School of Dancing, 281-1632, Miss MAMIE BARTH, no student by the name of GALT

Bonnie Faye Dance Studio, 931-3858, phone number no longer in service

Kenneth Rosslene School of Dance, 921-3465, has no adult students

Ruth Dance Studios, 381-4522, out of business

Virginia's School of Dancing, 372-6400, negative

ESTHER WILLS, 531-6949, and 941-7332, no student by the name of GALT

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The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

On April 15, 1968, HERMAN BOHN, Owner, Comtinental Dance Studios, Sixth and Wood Streets, Pittsburgh, Pa., was exhibited photographs of ERIC STARVO GALT, and advised that GALT did not resemble their former student, DON R. STOFFELL. BOHN asked receptionist, GEORGINA KELLY, and interviewer, DOROTHY TOMASSI, to look at the photographs, and both stated that this was not STOFFELL.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES V. KINNANE, on April 15, 1968:

On this date, the following operators of dance studios in Erie, Pa., were contacted relative to ERIC STARVO GALT, with negative results:

KATHRYN LITTLE, Little Dance Studio, 18 North Park Road

JAMES W. LONG, Long School of the Dance, 719 State Street

STATIA SUBLETTE, Sublette Dance Studio, 12 East Tenth Street

Lieutenant DONALD GUNTER (National Academy), Identification Officer, Erie Police Department, advised that he has no record of GALT.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DEAN M. HOWEN:

The following, the only dance studios in the Beckley, W. Va., area, advised on April 15, 1968, they had no record or knowledge of ERIC STARVO GALT:

JERRY ROSE, Beckley Dance Theatre, 110½ South Fayette Street, Beckley, W. Va.

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DELORIS MARINO, Dance Studio, First Avenue, Beckley, W. Va.

The following investigation was conducted by SA EDWARD R. FLEMING, JR., on April 15, 1968:

There are no popular dance studios within the Martinsburg, W. Va., Resident Agency territory.

The following investigation was conducted by SA SHELDON V. TAFT, on April 15, 1968:

The following dance schools at Huntington, W. Va., were contacted regarding ERIC STARVO GALT, with negative results:

Dickinson School of Dance, Mrs. JEAN B. DICKINSON

Ruth Fergeson School of Dance, RUTH FERGESON

Lee School of the Dance, BOBBIE LEE

Mary Rowley Hesson Dance Studio, MARY HESSON

Flippin School of Dance, LOUISE FLIPPIN

The following investigation was conducted by SA CYRIL J. LAFFEY, on April 15, 1968:

A review of the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania telephone directories for Westmoreland County, Pa., disclosed only one dancing school listed in the Greensburg Resident Agency area, namely, the Romero School of Dance, 300 Hamilton Avenue, Greensburg, Pa.

On April 15, 1968, Mr. HENRY L. VENTRESCA, owner and operator, Romero School of Dance, 300 Hamilton Avenue, Greensburg, Pa., advised that he conducts dancing instructions in the central Westmoreland County area, operating out of Greensburg, Pa., and in Pittsburgh, at Duquesne University.

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Mr. VENTRESCA said a review of his records disclosed no one by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT or any variation thereof, as ever having been a student of any of his dancing classes or utilized as a dancing instructor or dancing partner of any kind.

The following investigation was conducted by SA FRANK H. GEIERMANN:

The following dance studios were contacted on the dates as indicated, for information concerning ERIC STARVO GALT, with negative results. These cover all dance studios in Elk. Forest. Venango and Crawford Counties, Pa.

## April 16, 1968

Dotty Lou Lauer School of Dance, 2 Lincoln Street, Oil City, Pa., DOTTY LOU LAUER

Nancy's Dance Studio, 1333 Chestnut Street, Franklin, Pa., NANCY GREGG

## April 17, 1968

Arthur Murray School of Dance, 933 Park Avenue, Meadville, Pa., Mrs. GEORGE GRONBERG

Arita Lee Dance Studio, 246½ Chestnut Street, Meadville, Pa., Mrs. ARITA L. BLAIR

Lyns Dance Studio, 346 Walnut Street, Meadville, Pa., LYNA PATRICK

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM T. DOUGHERTY:

The below-listed individuals were contacted on the dates indicated, and all advised that no individual by the name of ERIC STARVO GALT ever attended their respective dancing schools:

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> Mr. ERNEST RUGGIERI, Erni Dance Studio, 214 North Seventh Street, Connellsville, Pa., April 16, 1968

Miss JEAN KING, Jean King School of Dancing,  $42\frac{1}{2}$  East Fayette Street, Uniontown, Pa., April 15, 1968

Mrs. KATHERINE LYON, Katy Lyon Dance Center, 164 South Beeson Avenue, Uniontown, Pa., April 15, 1968

PENNY SMALLEY, Penny Smalley's Dance Studio, 68 North Gallatin Avenue, Uniontown, Pa., April 15, 1968

ANN LOUISE GISMONDI, 167 East Coffey Street, Uniontown, Pa., studio maintained at 2 North Main Street, Masontown, Pa., April 15, 1968

Mr. SAM CALIGUIRE, 607 Rogers Avenue, Connellsville, Pa., April 15, 1968

The following investigation was conducted by SA R. STEPHEN THOMPSON:

The following dance studios in Morgantown, W. Va., were contacted on the dates indicated, with negative results:

Virginia School of Dancing, 240 High Street, April 16, 1968

Karen Wolfe Dance Studio, 1310 University Avenue, April 17, 1968

The following dance studios were contacted by SA EUGENE C. JONES in Fairmont, W. Va., on the dates indicated, with negative results:

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Monica's Dance Studio,  $315\frac{1}{2}$  Adams Street, April 16, 1968

Ona Dance Studio, 410 Odgen Street, April 16, 1968

SA JONES also contacted Monica's, Clarksburg, W. Va., office, on April 16, 1968.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT D. WARDEN:

On April 15, 1968, the following individuals, owners and operators of dancing studios in the Bluefield, W. Va., area, were contacted, and they advised they have no record of ERIC STARVO GALT being or ever having been a student of theirs. Both persons advised that they have never heard of GALT before.

Mrs. FRANK SALT, 331 North Bluefield Avenue, Bluefield, W. Va.

IRENE E. GRAHAM, Irene Esther Graham School of Dancing, 1316 Pen Mar Avenue, Bluefield, W. Va.

It is to be noted that there are no dancing schools in the Princeton, W. Va., area at the present time.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM T. HENDON, JR.:

A survey was made of the telephone directories of the major communities in Armstrong, Indiana, and Jefferson Counties, and the following was the only dance studio located:

On April 16, 1968, Mrs. JAMES E. (FRANCES) WAGNER, of Wagner Dance Studios, Blairsville, Pa., advised that she and her husband have dance studios in Blairsville, Indiana, and Jeannette, Pa. She said that she and her husband are the only employees of Wagner Dance Studios and she has never had a

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pupil or anyone attending her dance lessons by the name of ERIC GALT.

The following investigation was conducted by SA J. EDWARD MADVAY:

Lead was to contact dance studios in Washington County, for record of ERIC STARVO GALT as a student at any of these dance studios.

The classified telephone directory (yellow pages) for Washington Telephone Directory listed Continental Dance Studios, 313 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. (not contacted since in Pittsburgh).

Sally Miller Dance Studio, 93 South Main Street, Washington, Pa. SALLY MILLER was telephonically contacted at telephone 222-3712, and she did not have the name GALT in her records of students, nor has she ever heard of the name GALT.

The only other dancing school listed was Vella School of Dancing, 126 East Pike Street, Canonsburg, Pa., telephone 745-8872.

LOUISE VELLA, proprietor of this school, and in business for 40 years, was contacted at telephone number 745-8872, with negative results.

Telephonic check with the YMCA, 86 West Chestnut Street, 225-0811, revealed no male dancing instructions at the YMCA.

MARY WHERRY, YWCA, 42 West Maiden Street, telephone 222-3200, checked records and found SALLY MILLER had dancing instructions for couples at the YWCA approximately one year ago, and Mrs. WHERRY checked the list of those participating in this, and the name GALT was not on the list.

ZOISE BAER, proprietor, dance studio, 201 McKean Avenue, Charleroi, Pa., telephone 489-9960, listed in the classified section of the Donora-Monongahelia Telephone

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Directory, was contacted at telephone 483-3003, and she advised that she formerly operated six dance studios; however, all have since been closed and only two operated, one in Charleroi, Pa., and one in Belle Vernon, Pa. She advised that the name ERIC STARVO GALT was unknown to her.

Each individual contacted was asked for the name and location of any other dance studios or places of instruction for male adult dancing, and each mentioned any of the aforementioned places, which are apparently the only dancing instruction places available in Washington County.

The following investigation was conducted by SA LINNEY L. CONNOLLY, JR.

There are no schools of dance in the Elkins Resident Agency territory, Elkins, W. Va.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN S. HUGHES:

On April 15, 1968, WILLIAM SIGEL, 17 East Bell Avenue, and RUTH BARNES, 1110 Fifteenth Street, both Altoona, Pa., proprietors of dancing schools, advised that neither of them cater to adult dancing students.

The same information was obtained from WILLIAM STOVER, Kelly School of Dance, Franklin Street; Monty Jay Dance Studio, Mountainview Drive; and WILLIAM WAGNER, Wagner Dance Studio, 115 Haynes Street, all Johnstown, Pa., on April 16, 1968.

These are the only dance schools which operate within the territory of the Johnstown Resident Agency.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

On April 18, 1968, the following dancing schools were contacted with negative results:

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> Arthur Murray, 413 Ninth Street, New Kensington, Pa., no longer in business

> Audrey Ann Studios of Dancing, 847 Fifth Avenue, HELEN SCHULTZ, owner

Caputo's School of Dancing Arts, 977 Fifth Avenue, New Kensington, Mr. P. M. CAPUTO, owner

Albert Pagni School of Dancing, Star Road, Russellton, Pa., ALBERT PAGNI, owner

The following investigation was conducted by SA EUGENE F. CABLE:

There are no dance schools for adults in Beaver County according to the yellow pages of the telephone directory.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN B. WOODRUFF:

On April 16, 1968, the following persons were contacted at Charleston, W. Va., for any information regarding the subject in this case, and they were alerted for any future information regarding him, all with negative results:

ANDRE VAN DAMME, American Academy of the Dance

JAMES LUCAS, Lucas Studio of Ballroom Dancing

NAT DANO, Dano School of the Dance

ALMA BRITT, Britt Dance Studio

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CAROLYN HURT, Carolyn's School of the Dance

MARY LOU CREEL, Mary Lou's Dancing School

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On April 15, 1968, SA OLIVER H. HUNTER, III, contacted the following individuals at the described dancing schools in Lewrence and Mercer Counties, Pa., alerted them to the possible visit to their studios of ERIC STARVO GALT and they stated that they had no record or recollection of his ever visiting there:

JEAN A. MILLER Bartsch Daneing Studio 106 East Lincoln Avenue New Castle, Pa.

FRANCES D. BILLYK Billyk Dance Studio 315 Neshannock Avenue New Castle, Pa.

DOTTY MC GILL Stewart School of Dance 302 Edgewood Avenue Grove City, Pa.

#### VEHICLE CHECKS

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN B. WOODRUFF:

On April 23, 1968, Mrs. BERTHA COLLINS Secretary, Communications Division, West Virginia State Police, State Capitol Building, Charleston, W. Va., made available all outgoing license checks made through the West Virginia communications center from April 1, 1968, to date, and they were personally checked by the writer for checks made with Georgia and the following Georgia license checks were found:

April 9, 1968, by Police Dept., Beckley, W. Va., on 1967, Georgia Registration Nos. 66J954 and 4-06033 or 40-6033.

April 19, 1968, by State Police, Beckley, W. Va., on 1967 Georgia Registration No. 4D6033.

April 22, 1968, by Sheriff's Office, Marion County, Fairmont, W. Va., on 1968 Georgia Registration 510-653.

April 23, 1968, by Police Dept., Wheeling, W. Va., on 1968 Georgia Registration 6-J3484.

The following investigation was conducted by SA ROBERT D. WARDEN:

On April 19, 1968, Desk Sergeant WILFRED MATHENA, Police Department, Bluefield, W. Va., and Sgt. R. C. STOVER, West Virginia State Police, Princeton, W. Va., advised the writer that none of their men have reported seeing the 1955 or 1956 Dodge in this area.

On April 23, 1968, Desk Sergeant WILFRED MATHENA, Police Department, Bluefield, W. Va., and Sgt. R. C. STOVER West Virginia State Police, Princeton, W. Va., advised the writer on this date that their departments have not recovered any cars with Georgia license plates since April 4, 1968.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RAY V. SHOEMAKER:

On April 23, 1968, Detective PAUL PRICE, Auto Squad,

Huntington, W. Va., Police Dept., advised SA RAY V. SHQEMAKER that there have been no cars stolen in Georgia recovered in Huntington, W. Va., since April 5, 1968. Detective PRICE stated he would remain alert and would immediately notify the FBI if any such situation occurs.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CYRIL J. LAFFEY:

On April 24, 1968, the following sources were contacted and advised they had no record of any abandoned or suspect stolen automobiles or any inquiries relative to any automobiles with the State of Georgia license plates subsequent to April 4, 1968:

Cpl. HAROLD MOORHEAD, Administrative Office, Pennsylvania State Police, Troop A, Greensburg, Pa.

Chief of Police PETER A. PIGNETTI, Greensburg, Pa., Police Department.

Capt. EDWARD GORDON, Westmoreland County Detective Bureau, DAO, Greensburg, Pa.

It is noted that all police department agencies in Westmoreland County utilize the Pennsylvania State Police teletype system relative to any suspect abandoned, suspect stolen or suspicious automobiles. Pennsylvania State Police, Greensburg, Pa., also covers Indiana County, Pa.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM T. HENDON, JR.:

The following police agencies were contacted on the dates indicated, and all advised that they had not found any abandoned cars with Georgia registration since April 4, 1968. They will be on the lookout for same and will notify the FBI if any are found:

April 24, 1968 Sgt. TOM CUFF, Troop C, Pennsylvania State Police, Punxsutawney, Pa.

April 23, 1968, Cpl. JOE SASALA, Pennsylvania

State Police, Kittanning, Pa.

April 24, 1968, Chief of Police HARRY OWENS, Indiana, Pa., Police Department

April 23, 1968, Chief of Police MELVIN BOWERS, Kittanning, Pa., Police Department

April 24, 1968, Patrolman JOHN POSTELWEIGHT, Punxsutawney, Pa., Police Department

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES V. KINNANE:

On April 24, 1968, Patrolman WILLIAM MC LAUGHLIN, Erie, Pa., Police Department, advised that there have been no cars recovered in Erie during the past month bearing Georgia license plates.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN S. HUGHES on April 24, 1968:

Sergeant ROBERT MILLIRON, Pennsylvania State Police Troop Headquarters, Hollidaysburg, Pa.; Trooper DAN JERSEVITCH, Pennsylvania State Police, DuBois, Pa.; Sergeant ROBERT HARRISON, Pennsylvania State Police, Clearfield, Pa.; Sergeant LEO DE POLO, Pennsylvania State Police, Somerset, Pa.; and Sergeant HOWARD REPPERT Pennsylvania State Police, Turnpike Detail, Everett, Pa., all advised that no stolen cars from the State of Georgia had been recovered in their territory in the past month.

The following investigation was conducted by SA EUGENE F. CABLE:

The Pennsylvania State Police on April 23, 1968, reviewed all teletypes, and no record of recovered cars stolen in Georgia in the month of April was located. There are 59 police departments in Beaver County, all of which report out of state recoveries to the writer and use Pennsylvania teletype facilities.

The following investigation was conducted by SAs R. STEPHEN THOMPSON and EUGENE C. JONES:

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On April 24, 1968, SA EUGENE C. JONES contacted the Fairmont W. Va., Police Dept., and the Clarksburg, W. Va., Police Dept., regarding any vehicles recovered by them since April 4, 1968, with Georgia license plates with negative results.

On April 26, 1968, SA R. STEPHEN THOMPSON contacted the Morgantown Police Department in connection with the same matter with negative results.

On April 24, 1968, SA R. STEPHEN THOMPSON contacted the Marion County Sheriff's Office at Fairmont, W. Va., and discovered that they had sent an inquiry via West Virginia State Police teletype to Georgia authorities regarding a 1966 blue Ford, bearing Georgia License Plates 510-653. They received a reply from Georgia authorities that they had no stolen or missing report on this car. The Marion County Sheriff's Office inquired about the call after receiving a call from JOE SESTITO, owner, Parkette Drive-In Restaurant, that two white males driving this vehicle were in his restaurant and acted suspiciously.

On April 24, 1968, SA R. STEPHEN THOMPSON interviewed SESTITO, and he advised that these two men acted funny in his place and indicated to him that they were staying in the Belmont Motor Inn which is approximately ½ block down the road from his cafe. SESTITO viewed photos of JAMES EARL RAY, also known as ERIC STARVO GALT, and stated that the two men did not resemble any of the photos.

On the same date, AUNILL DEIRIGGI, Manager, Belmont Motor Inn, supplied the registration card dated April 22, 1968, for two men. Only one name appeared on the card, ROBERT E. LOONWY, 859 Washington Ave., Macor, Ga. The card also contained a description of their car, which was described as a 1966 Ford Galaxie, Georgia License 510-653. DEIRIGGI viewed photos of JAMES EARL RAY, also known as ERIC STARVO GALT, and advised that neither of the two men resembled the photos.

The following investigation was conducted by SA LINNEY L. CONNOLLY, JR.:

Contact with police agencies in the Elkins Resident Agency territory has not revealed any automobiles reported stolen in the State of Georgia.

The following investigation was conducted by SA EDWARD R. FLEMING, JR.:

On April 24, 1968, records at the Martinsburg and Charles Town, W. Va., Police Departments were checked and no information concerning any car with a Georgia license was found on the various logs and records maintained by these departments.

The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE A. PATTERSON:

The following police agencies were contacted regarding Georgia car recovery:

# April 25, 1968

West Virginia State Police and Sheriff's Office, Lewisburg, W. Va.

The police departments of Lewisburg, Ronceverte and White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

West Virginia State Police and Sheriff's Office, Union, W. Va.

West Virginia State Police and Sheriff's Office, Hinton, W. Va.

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West Virginia State Police, Sheriff's Office, and Police Department, Summersville, W. Va.

West Virginia State Police, Sheriff's Office, and Police Department, Richwood, W. Va.

West Virginia State Police, Sheriff's Office, and Police Department, Marlinton, W. Va.

All contacts negative.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RICHARD A. JONES:

On April 29, 1968, Sgt. CHARLES JEROME, Wheeling, W. Va., Police Department, requested a check on a 1968 Georgia License 6J3484, which he observed on a 1967 or 1968, royal blue, Chevrolet sedan parked for two or three days behind the Madison School on Maryland St.

A check with the West Virginia State Police revealed this vehicle registered to MALORA PARKS, 1021 Azela Ave., Augusta, Georgia. No stolen report.

The following investigation was conducted by SA DEAN M. HOWEN at Beckley, W. Va.:

On April 24, 1968, VIVIAN RIFFE, radio operator, West Virginia State Police, stated that on April 9, 1968, a teletype message was sent at 6:21 PM by Radio Operator GARNET MURPHY for the Beckley Police Department, to State Police, Atlanta, Georgia, to check 1967 Georgia registrations 66J954 and 4-06033 or 40-6033. The same evening Georgia State Police, Atlanta, replied that 1967 Georgia License 66J954 was registered to i. J. THOMPSON, Midland Ave., Winder, Ga., for a 1959 Chevrolet convertible, Vehicle Identification No. E59B226920, no stolen report; that there were no registrations under the numbers 4-06033 or 40-6033. This message came in at 10:22 PM and was given to Beckley Police Department, no name recorded.

Miss RIFFE also stated that on April 19, 1968, a teletype message was sent at 12:51 PM by Radio Operator GARNET MURPHY to State Police, Atlanta, Ga., to check 1967 Georgia License 4D6033. At 10:35 PM, April 19, 1968, Georgia State Police, Atlanta, Ga., replied that 1967 Georgia License 4-D-6033 is registered to EDWARD H. CUMMINGS, 152 Kessler Dr., Ft. Benning, Ga., on a 1964 Volkswagen, Vehicle Identification No. 0570249, no stolen report.

On April 24, 1968, Mrs. GARNET MURPHY, Radio Operator, West Virginia State Police, advised that Georgia license check information was requested by Beckley Police Dept., on April 9, 1968, and she did not know the purpose of this data.

Mrs. MURPHY stated that the Georgia license check on April 9, 1968, was sent upon the request of the bookkeeper at the West Virginia Turnpike Service Station, an Esso Station, Beckley Exit, as incomplete data had been received for a gasoline credit purchase some time earlier and the data was needed for proper billing.

Sgt. THOMAS DURRETT, Detective Bureau, Beckley Police Dept., advised he had no knowledge of any request for Georgia license data on or about April 9, 1968.

Sgt. G. T. STARR, Beckley Police Dept., advised he was on duty and in charge the evening of April 9, 1968, and he had no knowledge of any Georgia license data requested that date. He said he was at the Police Department at and around 6 PM on April 9, 1968, and the only other persons there were a new patrolman, in his constant company, and NELSON COOK, clerk, who was answering the telephone calls. Sgt. STARR stated that as a result of numerous unsolved house burglaries, the citizens had been requested to be alert for strange vehicles in their neighborhoods and to notify the police department of license numbers observed, and it is possible that some citizen had called in the two Georgia license numbers on April 9, 1968. He added that NELSON COOK is lax in keeping a complete log of telephone and radio calls and may have failed to record the data received. He said that COOK was on vacation and unavailable.

On May 2, 1968, NELSON COOK, communications clerk, Beckley Police Department, advised that he was working the evening of April 9, 1968, but had no knowledge of any Georgia license checks. He said it was possible that some off-duty patrolman had requested the license checks from his home

On May 3, 1968, Chief of Police WILLIAM A. TEUBERT, Sgt. G. T. STARR, and Sgt. THOMAS DURRETT, Beckley Police Department, advised they could develop no information to identify anyone from that department who had requested Georgia license checks on April 9, 1968.

The following investigation was conducted by SA J. EDWARD MADVAY:

On April 24, 1968, DARLA KESTNER teletype room, Pennsylvania State Police, and Sergeant LEE CHICINNA, Sergeant in Charge of Traffic Detail, Pennsylvania State Police, advised after a review of their records that there had been no automobiles recovered from the State of Georgia since the first of April, 1968.

On April 24, 1968, Chief of Police TOM BELLHY, Washington, Pa., Police Department, advised from records that no out-of-state Georgia license tag had been on any vehicle recovered nor had any automobile originating from the State of Georgia been recovered in Washington, Pa.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM T. DOUGHERTY:

On April 30, 1968, the below listed individuals advised that a review of the records of their respective agencies failed to disclose the recovery of any stolen cars from the State of Georgia subsequent to March 23, 1968:

Chief of Police JAMES MAHONEY, Uniontown Police Department, Uniontown, Pa.

Trooper HARRY EWING Pennsylvania State Police, Uniontown, Pa.

Detective NICK STASIA, Connellsville Police Department, Connellsville, Pa.

Corporal JOSEPH SOUDERS, Pennsylvania State Police, Waynesburg, Pa.

The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE KETCHEL ADAMS:

On April 11, 1968, Mrs. LUCILLE MC CORMICK, Title and Registration Division, and Mrs. PATRICIA BURNEY, Drivers License Division, West Virginia State Department of Motor Vehicles, Charleston, W. Va., advised the files of their offices contain no information concerning a 1966 Ford Mustang, Vehicle Identification No. 6T07C190647, or ERIC STARVO GALT.

On April 19, 1968, Officer J. C. ROBINSON, Communications Operator, Police Department, Charleston, W. Va., and Mrs. PAULINE DICKSON, Communications Operator, Company B, West Virginia State Police, South Charleston, W. Va., were furnished with descriptive information concerning a three-tone off-white and green 1955-1956 Dodge, four-door sedan bearing 1968 Florida license with a prefix of 10W and followed by four or five digits, numbers unknown. Officer ROBINSON and Mrs. DICKSON stated a review of their respective files was negative for any information concerning such a vehicle. They advised the description of the Dodge would be made available to units in the Charleston, W. Va., area.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

On April 23, 1968, RAY WOLOSIK, Allegheny County Detective Bureau, advised that there have been no vehicles bearing Georgia license plates recovered in Allegheny County since March 23, 1968. He advised that should any be recovered, he would immediately notify the FBI.

On April 23, 1968, JOHN TUNNEY, Auto Pound, Pittsburgh Police Department, advised that there have been no vehicles with Georgia license plates towed to their Pound since March 23, 1968.

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The following members of the West Virginia State Police advised SA MAX L. GEIMAN that no automobiles from the State of Georgia have been recovered in their respective counties since April 4, 1968:

| May 10, 1968 | Corporal J. M. DENNIS<br>Pleasants County |
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| May 16, 1968 | Trooper C. R. DUNCAN Wood and Wirt County |
| May 16, 1968 | Corporal CARL LAGURSKI Calhoun County     |
| May 16, 1968 | Corporal WILLIAM ROBINSON Ritchie County  |
| May 17, 1968 | Corporal W. V. BISHOP<br>Jackson County   |

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The following police departments were contacted on May 3, 1968, by SA OLIVER H. HUNTER, III, and car recovery records reviewed regarding possible stolen cars from the State of Georgia, subsequent to March 23, 1968; that each representative stated that that department has not recovered any vehicles with Georgia plates recently:

Chief DANIEL F. GROSS Sharon, Pa., Police Department

Chief WILLIAM L. CAPUTO Farrell, Pa., Police Department

Chief DONALD F. REINHART Greenville, Pa., Police Department

Chief JOHN C. WHITMORE Hickory, Pa., Police Department

Chief THOMAS WELTON Sharpsville, Pa., Police Department

Corporal GEORGE BABICS Pennsylvania State Police, Mercer, Pa.

Chief RICHARD E. HANNA New Castle, Pa., Police Department

Trooper THOMAS J. PETROVICH Pennsylvania State Police, New Castle, Pa.

In addition, the above advised that they do not maintain unidentified latent fingerprints files and any unidentified prints on file there in connection with local cases were obtained prior to April 23, 1967; therefore, they were unable to assist in this individual project.

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Investigation in the Pittsburgh Division to identify, locate, and apprehend JAMES EARL RAY has been negative to date. Investigation continuing.

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Synopsist Investigation in the Pittsburgh Division to identify, locate and apprehend JAMES EARL RAY has been negative to date. Investigation continuing. ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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### SUSPECTS

### MORRIS CLAYTON SKAGGS

The following investigation was conducted by SA EUGENE F. CABLE:

MORRIS C. SKAGGS was arrested for motor violation April 15, 1965, and confined to Beaver County Jail. He was born at Jonesboro, Ark., is 6'2", and then weighed 215 lbs. He has a tattoo on his left forearm and has FBI Number 264 664 F.

A photograph of SKAGGS has been obtained and will follow.

Mrs. BETTY NIFFENEGGER, Van Buren Homes, Beaver, Pa., SKAGGS' mother-in-law, advised neither she, her husband, or her daughter, SKAGGS' wife, have had any contact from SKAGGS and are unaware of his whereabouts or activities. She pointed out that her telephone number and her daughter's telephone number and address are unpublished primarily for the reason of avoiding contact with SKAGGS. She stated her mother-in-law, Mrs. RUTH HARRIS, recently had an early morning telephone call believed to be from SKAGGS, but his whereabouts at the time of the call were unknown.

The composite drawings of subject were exhibited to Mrs. NIFFENEGGER, and she stated that they did not, in her opinion, look like SKAGGS. She stated SKAGGS' parents reside in Jonesboro, Ark., but that family members here have no contact with them primarily to avoid disclosing SKAGGS' wife's address.

Mrs. RUTH HARRIS, Beaver, Pa., advised that sometime during the week prior to April 13, 1968, at exactly 4:50 AM, she received a telephone call from an individual whom she did not initially recognize by his voice, but he mentioned CAROL, and she then determined it to be MORRIS SKAGGS. She stated she talked to another

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individual who was with SKAGGS, but told them she did not want to talk to them and hung up. She then contacted the operator in an efforr to determine where the call had been placed from and the operator told her she could not determine this since it was an out of the district call. Mrs. HARRIS stated the last contact she had was a similarly foolish call in the early hours from SKAGGS prior to Thanksgiving of 1967. She stated her number is the only published telephone number of family members in Beaver County, and the only contact point SKAGGS has.

CAROL SKAGGS resides at 1284 Chapel Road, Monaca, Pa., unlisted telephone 775-6957, and is a high school teacher at Rochester High School. Efforts to locate her, both at her residence and telephonically, the afternoon and evening of April 16, 1968, were unsuccessful, however, since a photograph of SKAGGS has been obtained, and based on the contact with CAROL SKAGGS' mother, no further effort will be made to locate her.

## DONALD LAWRENCE STOUT

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

HARRY P. STEWART, U. S. Secret Service, reported his nephew, STEWARD LINDH, 2206, San Francisco, Calif., claimed he and two others through newspaper ad obtained ride with STOUT. At Kansas City, Mo., STOUT disappeared with their effects. Before STOUR disappeared he told them he was going to shoot KING.

On April 26, 1968, RAYMOND ZACKOVICH, Secret Service Agent, Pittsburgh, advised HARRY P. STEWART, former Secret Service Agent, retired one year ago. STEWART now residing at Route 1, Box 388, Sebastian, Fla.

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## RICHARD RUSSELL BALL

The following investigation was conducted by SA CALVIN D. KNOTT:

Investigation Parkersburg, W. Va., April 27, 1968, disclosed residence located at 4801 First Avenue, vacant at this time.

No current record city and telephone directories located identifiable with RICHARD RUSSELL BALL.

Investigation at Post Office, Parkersburg, April 29, 1968, disclosed change of address for BALL dated August 14, 1964, giving new address of 3460 Dorreen Drive, Lakeland, Fla.

# RED (LNU)

The following investigation was conducted by SA JAMES E. MIRE:

CLARENCE BASHAM, Star Route 1, Tornado, W. Va., appeared at the Charleston, W. Va., Resident Agency and advised that he was certain that the person responsible for murdering Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., was one "RED" (LNU). "RED" (LNU) and (FNU) FOLKS, who might be a conspirator, are both past employees of L & M Cylinders, Jacksonville, Fla. BASHAM claimed that he had met these two individuals while employed by L & M Cylinders in 1966.

He stated that "RED" is a ranking influential lieutenant in the KKK in Florida, and that at one time "RED" had pledged to murder KING. He stated that the photograph of JAMES EARL RAY closely resembles "RED." "RED" is allegedly a con-artist and frequently uses disguises.

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BASHAM stated that information as to the where-abouts of "RED" and FOLKS could be obtained from the owners at L & M Cylinders. He also suggested contacting one PAUL BAILEY, allegedly a high-ranking KKK member in Jacksonville, for pertinent information in this matter.

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## BOMBING SUSPECT

## CHARLES CECIL CHAPMAN

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

A review of Pittsburgh file 174-12, Bombing Suspects in the Pittsburgh Division, reflected only suspect to be CHARLES CECIL CHAPMAN, presently serving time in the West Virginia Penitentiary, Moundsville, W. Va.

On April 10, 1968, Captain PAUL E. BARLOW, Captain of the Guards, West Virginia Penitentiary, Moundsville, W. Va., advised from records that CHARLES CECIL CHAPMAN, West Virginia Penitentiary No. 45622, was convicted July 22, 1965; that he was sentenced August 19, 1965, effective May 25, 1965, on charge of malicious wounding to term of two to ten years from Monongalia County; that he was received at the penitentiary on August 20, 1965; and that he was presently an inmate at the penitentiary.

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## ALIASES

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

Investigation at Pittsburgh re surname LOWMEYER revealed that former Pittsburgh residents P. F. LOHMEYER, 2344 Ardleigh Drive, Cleveland Heights, and SUSAN M. LOHMEYER, 1168 Manor Drive, Columbus, Ohio, now residing out of division.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN L. PORTER:

In connection with captioned matter, the following individuals were checked out with regards to their whereabouts on March 29, 30, and April 4, 1968, so as to either develop or eliminate them as suspects in the murder of Rev. Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING at Memphis, Tenn., on April 4, 1968:

W. J. LOHMEYER 720 S. Negley Avenue Pittsburgh, Pa.

HENRICK F. LOHMEYER 1381 Craigview Drive Pittsburgh 43, Pa.

Both of the above individuals are eliminated as possible suspects per the following investigation which has accounted for their whereabouts on pertinent dates:

W. J. (WILLIAM JOSEPH) LOHMEYER is deceased, having died at Pittsburgh on May 30, 1950. This was ascertained in interview of his widow, Mrs. W. J. (SARA) LOHMEYER who resides in apartment B3 at 720 S. Negley Avenue, which is the President Apartments. She resides there with her daughter, JEANNE M. LOHMEYER who is single. She is not acquainted with anyone known as HARVY LOHMEYER.

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HENRICK R. LOHMEYER is listed by the Pittsburgh Credit Bureau as employed by the Dravo Corp. WILLIAM C. STRATTON, Assistant Manager, Personnel Department, Dravo Corp., 1000 Fifth Avenue, advised that HENRICK F. LOHMEYER of 1381 Craigview Drive, has been employed by his company since February 1, 1962, and holds the position of Senior Mechanical Engineer and is assigned to the Design Engineering Office at 526 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. LOHMEYER is a white male, born A check with LOHMEYER's supervisor, JACK BINNING and the department's time records reflected conclusively that LOHMEYER was at his job (in the office) from 8:00 AM to 4:45 PM on March 29 and April 4, 1968.

The following investigation was conducted by SAA RONALD WETHERINGTON:

JOHN RODERICK WILLARD, 1029 Parkview Avenue,
New Kensington, Pa., interviewed and determined to be 64
years of age. WILLIARD has two sons, GEORGE RODERICK, and
JACK P. WILLARD. JACK eliminated at New Kensington. GEORGE
resides 42 Springfield Avenue, Crandford, N.J., telephone
272-4995, employed as professor of Spanish at Union College.
GEORGE described as white male, born \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 6'3",
175 lbs., blond hair, single, fair complexion, wears glasses.
GEORGE allegedly in possession of 1964 or 1965 white Mustang
registered to his mother, IRENE WILLARD. Parents state
GEORGE flew to New Kensington, via Allegheny Airlines from
New Jersey and arrived in New Kensington at 5:30 or 6:00 PM
on March 29, 1968, and returned to New Jersey in afternoon of
March 31, 1968, whereabouts of GEORGE on April 4, 1968,
unknown to parents.

The following investigation was conducted by SA NILE A. DUKE and SA JAMES H. REEVES, JR.:

On April 10, 1968, KAREN ADAMS, 6706 McPherson Boulevard, Pittsburgh, Second Floor, stated that she has

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lived at this address for one year. She stated that the name P. D. LOHMEYER is completely unfamiliar to her.

On April 10, 1968, VICTOR OLMSTEAD, 6706 McPherson Boulevard, First Floor, stated he has lived at this address since October, 1966. He stated the name P. D. LOHMEYER is completely unfamiliar to him. Mr. OLMSTEAD said the house he is renting is owned by BLANCHE GRIFFIN and that he does not know her address and only pays his rent to her when she knocks on the door.

It is to be noted that both KAREN ADAMS and VICTOR OLMSTEAD are Negroes, and that the area surrounding 6706 McPherson Boulevard is inhabitated by primarily Negro individuals.

Mr. G. L. MONET, Postal Inspector, Pittsburgh, Pa., caused a search of his records to be made for a change of address for P. D. LOHMEYER, 6706 McPherson Boulevard. Mr. MONET stated he talked with his carrier for this particular area and that the carrier could not recall such an individual. He further advised that a search of his records for the past three years failed to reflect a change of address for P. D. LOHMEYER. He stated that any changes of address over three years old is destroyed.

On April 10, 1968, Mrs. ANTHONY DEIULUS, 815 Fulton Place, Mt. Oliver, Pittsburgh, Pa., stated that the name VERA LOHMEYER is unfamiliar to her. She stated she had lived at this address for four years and had purchased her house from one DOROTHY REUESCHE.

On April 10, 1968, DOROTHY REUESCHE, Pittsburgh National Bank, Carrick Office, Carrick, Pa., advised that VERA LOHMEYER had committed suicide on December 12, 1961. REUESCHE said she knew the LOHMEYER family and that VERA did not have any brothers or sisters. She did recall her having an uncle, ED LOHMEYER, Penn Hills, Pa., who is in his fifties and who had been seriously ill for some time.

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On April 10, 1968, THOMAS A. MC QUAIDE, Chief, Identification Section, Pittsburgh Police Department, CLARENCE J. KLEIN, Chief Identification Officer, Allegheny County Detective Bureau, and Mrs. JEAN RODRIGUEZ, Receptionist, Credit Bureau, Inc., all of Pittsburgh, Pa., advised that their respective files were all negative concerning VERA LOHMEYER and P. D. LOHMEYER.

The following investigation was conducted by SA CYRIL J. LAFFEY:

On April 10, 1968, Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH CONSTRALE, 627 Reed Avenue, Monessen, Pa., advised that they have resided here for nine years, having purchased this property from ELMER W. LOWMEYER, who formerly resided here up until the death of his wife, about nine years ago. Mr. and Mrs. CONSTRALE said they had no idea if LOWMEYER was still living, and the last they heard he had moved outwest and left no forwarding address.

On April 10, 1968, Chief of Police MICHAEL KUVINKA, Monessen Police Department, Monessen, Pa., advised that a review of the Police Department records disclosed no information identifiable with ELMER W. LOWMEYER.

On April 10, 1968, Mr. JACK T. BECK, JR., Postmaster, U. S. Post Office, Monessen, Pa., advised that he is a life-long resident of the community and was personally acquainted with Mr. ELMER W. LOWMEYER, inasmuch as LOWMEYER was formerly employed in the personnel office at the Pittsburgh Steel Corporation, Monessen, and gave him, BECK, his first job with the Pittsburgh Steel Corporation many years ago.

Mr. BECK said that Mr. and Mrs. ELMER W. LOWMEYER are both deceased, and the LOWMEYER's only had one child, a daughter, JANE LOWMEYER, who married the Reverend ROBERT MOFFETT, both of whom are presently residing somewhere in the state of Ohio, exact place unrecalled.

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Mr. BECK said that there are no other LOWMEYERs in the Monessen, Pa., area, to the best of his knowledge, and from records at hand.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RUSSELL M. GWYNNE:

Pursuant to investigation requested of the Pittsburgh Office in instant matter, ESTHER LOMIRE, 720 Wood Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., 15221, advised that she was approximately 68 years of age and that she has never been married. Miss LOMIRE stated that she has one brother, HOWARD, who resides an Altoona, Pa., and is 71 years of age. Miss LOMIRE stated that her brother, HOWARD, although married, has had no children.

ESTHER LOMIRE stated she knew no one by the name of HARVEY LOMIRE, nor did she know of any HARVY LOHMEYER.

The following investigation was conducted by SA THOMAS J. DOODY:

On April 10, 1968, KATHERINE M. LOHMEYER, 245 Melwood, advised that she is single and lives by herself. She stated that she does not know any HARVEY LOHMEYER. She states that she has lived at this address in the Oakland area for the last 15 or 20 years and she was previously employed as an office secretary for Hagen Corporation, Pittsburgh. From personal observation it appeared she was at least 65 years of age.

On April 10, 1968, SUSAN LOHMEYER, 5176 Margaret Morrison Street, Pittsburgh, advised she is a student at Carnegie-Mellon Institute and that she has no relatives living in the Pittsburgh area nor does she know any LOHMEYERs living in the Pittsburgh area. She stated her fathers name is PAUL LOHMEYER and that the family lives in Brookview, N.Y., and that her family is in the advertising business for the American Can Company.

She stated she does not know any HARVEY LOHMEYER.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA NILE A. DUKE:

On April 11, 1968, Mrs. PATRICIA SHERIFF, 1610 Williamsburg Place, Churchill, Pa., stated that she has resided at this address for the past five years and during this time the occupants of 1606 Williamsburg Place have been the ROBERT RUFFINGS. She added that the name PAUL LOHMEYER is unfamiliar to her.

On April 11, 1968, A. L. SHANE, 1617 Williamsburg Place, Churchill, Pa., stated that he knew PAUL LOHMEYER, but that LOHMEYER had moved to Cleveland, Ohio, approximately 6 to 7 years ago to work at the Carling Brewing Company. SHANE described PAUL LOHMEYER as follows:

Race Sex Height Weight Age White
Male
6'4"
200 lbs.
Approximately 40-50

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The following investigation was conducted by SA KENT C. DIXON:

On April 10, 1968, a review of Pittsburgh file 91-2200, Serial 2350, page 182, determined that CARLTON ROBETT LOHMEYER of the Phoenix Mutual Insurance Company, Law and Finance Building, Executive Suite 1503, Pittsburgh, does not comply with the description of suspect in above captioned case. LOHMEYER described in above file as white male, age 56, 5'5" tall, 135 pounds, small build, completely bald except for rim of hair around lower portion of head.

On April 10, 1968, Mr. CHARLES EDWARD LOHMEYER of 105 Washington, Forest Hills, Pittsburgh 21, Pa., was contacted and it was determined that his date of birth was place of birth - Pittsburgh. By observation, Mr. LOHMEYER could not be identical with suspect in above captioned case. Mr. LOHMEYER advised that he was employed at the Fruit Growers Express Co., Pittsburgh, and advised that he has no children.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA CALVIN D. KNOTT:

The following information was obtained from Bureau of Public Debt, Parkersburg, W. Va.:

Alphabetical search on computer for E. S. GALT negative; for E. S. GAULT approximately 100. Check for H. LOYMEYER and H. LOWMYER negative. Check for J. WILLARD revealed approximately 1000. Computer gives only bond number, date of purchase and four letters pertaining to city where bonds purchased. No bonds purchased by E. S. GAULT in Atlanta or Birmingham. In order to get more detailed information film index must be searched from which copies of bonds can be obtained.

Agency presently searching name E. S. GAULT and search will be completed AM of April 19, 1968.

In order to search film index on J. WILLARD, agency will have to obtain clearance from their Washington headquarters since it would take 20 employees all day, and if done on piece-meal basis one week.

The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE A. PATTERSON:

Investigation regarding the possible identity of HARVEY LOWMEYER was negative.

On April 10, 1968, Mr. NEIL HUTCHISON, Special Agent, Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad, Ronceverte, W. Va., advised that ROBERT E. LOMER, 424 Pocahontas Avenue, Ronceverte, W. Va., is a Ticket Agent for the C & O Railroad and he works out of the Railroad Office in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., but he has been in ill health for the past two years, and for the past two months, he has been suffering with emphysema so badly that he has been unable to work. He said that Mr. LOMER is approximately 55 years of age, is short and very slender, and is very "sickly-looking." Mr. HUTCHISON added he is confident that Mr. LOMER has not been away from Ronceverte within

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the past three weeks.

In view of this information, no further investigation was conducted regarding ROBERT LOMER.

The following investigation was conducted by SA RONALD WETHERINGTON and SA KENT C. DIXON on April 10, 1968:

Mrs. WILLIAM J. LOHMEYER, 720 South Negley Avenue, Pittsburgh, advised that she is the mother of WILLIAM JOSEPH LOHMEYER, JR., who resides at 4761 Doyle Road, Pittsburgh, telephone 882-4866. Mrs. LOHMEYER stated her son is a white male, age 48, 6'4", 250 pounds, and has dark hair. She said his wife's name is MARY ALICE LOHMEYER and they have three teenage children.

Mrs. IRENE WILLARD, 1029 Parkview Avenue, New Kensington, Pa., telephone ED 5-6792, advised she is the wife of JOHN RODERICK WILLARD and said her husband is 64 years of age. He resides with her at this address and is a retired employee of the Alcoa Aluminum Company.

Mrs. WILLARD stated that she has two sons, namely, JACK P. WILLARD who resides at 1028 Woodberry Road, New Kensington, Pa., and GEORGE RODERICK WILLARD who resides at 42 Springfield Avenue, Crandford, N.J. Mrs. WILLARD furnished the following information concerning her sons:

Name
Date of Birth
Height
Hair
Complexion
Skin
Weight
Characteristics
Marital status
Wife

6'1" to 6'2"
Blond
Ruddy
Fair
200 lbs.
Wears glasses
Married
MARIOLIN (DAVIS)

JACK P. WILLARD

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Employment

Alcoa Aluminum Company New Kensington, Pa. -Building 442

Name Date of Birth Height Weight Hair Complexion Employment

GEORGE RODERTCK WILLARD

61311 - 61411 175 lbs. Blond Fair Wears glasses

Characteristics

Union College, N.J., as

college professor in Spanish

Miscellaneous

Owns older model white Mustang, registered to

IRENE WILLARD

Mrs. WILLARD stated that her son, GEORGE, flew to New Kensington via Allegheny Airlines arriving on March 29, 1968, at approximately 5:30 to 6:00 PM, and left around 5:00 PM, March 21, 1968. She stated he came for a visit and was with the family the entire time. Mrs. WILLARD stated she could not personally account for her son's time on April 4, 1968, but would assume he was teaching school as this would be a working day. She stated she talked to her son, GEORGE, on the phone Sunday, April 7, 1968, and he was in New Jersey at that time. She stated that he taught classes on March 29, 1968, prior to flying to New Kensington.

Mrs. WILLARD stated that her son, JACK WILLARD, worked March 29, 1968, but was off on March 30, 1968. She continued he was either working on April 4, 1968, at his job with Alcoa Aluminum in New Kensington or was in Detroit, Mich., on business.

Mr. DAVID H. WILLIAMS, JR., Employment Manager, Alcoa Aluminum Company, New Kensington, Pa., advised that

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JACK P. WILLARD is employed there as an engineer trainee. He stated a review of his records reflect that WILLARD reported for work on March 29, 1968, and was there the entire day. He continued that WILLARD was home on March 30, 1968, and on April 4, 1968; he stated that WILLARD was at a meeting for the U. S. Army Association in Warren, Mich., for a briefing.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

Records from the Bureau of Public Debt, Parkersburg, W. Va., reviewed and reveal that a computer check of the names E. S. GALT and H. LOWMEYER or LOWMYER were negative with regard to individuals of that name purchasing U. S. Savings Bonds. The name E. S. GAULT appears 97 times, which indicates that 97 bonds bearing the name are on record as having been purchased.

The purchasers of these 97 bonds were determined to be the following six individuals:

- 1. Mrs. ELOISE S. GAULT 6478 Tourraine Avenue Newark, Calif., former address 24806 Broadmore Ave., Hayward, Calif.
- 2. EDWARD S. GAULT 9141 Grant Park Drive Affton, Missouri
- 3. EDWARD S. GAULT
  4 West Maryland Avenue
  Rockville, Maryland
- 4. Dr. EDWIN SARTAIN GAULT 11 North Kirklyn Avenue Upper Darby, Pa.

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- 5. EDGAR S. GAULT 932 Beach Avenue LaGrange Park, Ill.
- 6. Miss ELIZABETH SARA GAULT 972 East Square Lake Road Bloomfield Hills, Michigan

The name J. WILLARD was also searched and approximately 1000 savings bonds had been purchased by individuals with that name.

The following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN S. HUGHES, on May 3, 1968:

Investigation at Cresson, Pa., disclosed that CLIFFORD A. LOMIRE, 100 Beach Street, and WILLIAM D. LOMIRE, 201 Summers Street, are both employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Investigation at Gallitzin, Pa., disclosed that ROBERT LOMIRE of 504 Foster Street, is also employed by the Pennsylvania Railroad.

Sergeant RICHARD ENGLISH, Pennsylvania Railroad Police, Cresson, Pa., advised that a search to be made of the records of the railroad disclosed that all of the LOMIREs were working during the pertinent period. ENGLISH further stated that he is acquainted with them and that they are all related; that they are people of excellent character and reputation.

The following investigation was conducted by SA EARL E. GALLOWAY:

On May 2, 1968, Mrs. HERMAN ESTRIGHT, Coalport, Pa., advised that she was acquainted with PATRICK S. LOHMEYER, who is a long-time resident of Coalport, Pa., and a retired teacher at the Coalport Junior High School. She stated that LOHMEYER and her husband were very close friends and met socially nearly every day at either their

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house or LOHMEYER's. She stated that she could not recall not seeing LOHMEYER every day for the past several months. She concluded that she did not believe LOHMEYER left the county in the past several years, if ever.

On May 2, 1968, PATRICK S. LOHMEYER, Main Street, Box 343, Coalport, Pa., advised SA EARL W. GALLOWAY that he has lived in Coalport, nearly all his life and had not been out of Clearfield County for over a year.

Visual observation disclosed LOHMEYER to be a grey-haired, balding gentleman in his late 60's or early 70's.

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM LOGAN CURTIS:

Investigation at Sewickley, Pa., on May 10 to May 12, 1968, 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. Company, Inc., 55 Fifth Avenue, New York, as a college traveler.

The following investigation was conducted by SA GEORGE KETCHEL ADAMS:

On April 8, 1968, a review of the Charleston, W. Va., City Directory and the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Directory for Charleston, W. Va., and the surrounding area was negative for any information concerning any individual named HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER.

On April 9, 1968, the following individuals were contacted with negative results for information concerning an individual named HARVEY LOWMEYER or HARVEY LOWMYER:

Mrs. PATRICIA BURNEY
West Virginia State Department
of Motor Vehicles
Drivers License Division
Charleston, W. Va.

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WILLIAM COLLINS, West Virginia State Department of Motor Vehicles, Titles and Registration Division Charleston, W. Va.

Mrs. INEZ CHINN Kanawha County Voter Registration Charleston, W. Va.

LORETTA COOK Charleston Retail Credit Bureau Charleston, W. Va.

Captain GEORGE NUNLEY Police Department Charleston, W. Va.

SANDRA TAPLEY Criminal Identification Bureau West Virginia State Police Charleston, W. Va. PG 44-578 WLC:mtl (1)

## LOOK ALIKES

ROBERT GRECO, 412 Countyview Court, Pittsburgh, advised April 7, 1968, that an unknown individual who resembles composite photograph of subject formerly patronized Moby Dick Lounge, Dearborn, Mich., when owned by his brother, NICK GRECO, 17048 Cambridge Allen Park, Mich., telephone 274-1676.

Suspect voiced strong dislike for KING and was once overheard to say KING would not live a year if he had to take care of him himself and that it would be quick as he would use a rifle.

Suspect associated with employees of a sign company near Moby Dick Lounge and is believed by GRECO to have some type of job connected with interstate trucking.

GRECO believes his brother can fully identify

suspect. Following information received by SAC IAN D. MacLENNAN:

At 5:00 PM, April 10, 1968, Captain NELSON PADEN, Huntington, W. Va., Police Department, telephonically advised that a reliable Negro male informant of his, a taxi driver, had just taken a man to the Huntington Airport, where he boarded flight 702 of Eastern Airlines leaving Huntington 4:30 PM, with stops at Charleston, Washington, D. C., and Allentown-Scranton.

Captain PADEN stated his informant had that day read in the Huntington newspapers a description of the man known as JOHN WILLARD and he believed that his passenger fit this description.

The following is a description furnished to Captain PADEN by his informant, of the man he picked up near the Job-Corps Center in Huntington and took to the airport:

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Race Sex Age Height White Male 36 years 5'7" to 8"

 (Captain PADEN realized that the news item described him as much taller, but pointed out that his informant is quite short and for this reason still felt he should report this)

180 pounds Stocky

Sandy, brownish - combed back

receding forehead

Blue suit, tan trench coat

with checkered lining Large, prominent nose

Weight Build Hair

Attire

Peculiarities

The following investigation was conducted by SA CYRIL J. LAFFEY:

On April 6, 1968, Mr. ANGELO PIETROPAOLI, owner and operator, Motel Americanna, Route 30 East, Greensburg, Pa., telephonically contacted SA LAFFEY about 11:00 PM and advised that he has previously observed a sketch in the Saturday issue of the Pittsburgh Press on that date of the suspect killer of Rev. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., and a person similar to the sketch and of similar physical descriptive data, contained in the newspaper article was presently at the motel bar. Mr. PIETROPAOLI said that this individual telephoned from the bar for a motel room reservation, however, the motel was filled at that time, and there were no rooms available.

Mr. PIETROPAOLI said the individual was driving a light green Cadillac convertible with a white top, bearing Florida license plate 7WW6469.

On April 6, 1968, SA LAFFEY went to the Americanna Motel, and found a 1962 Cadillac convertible, light green body with white top, bearing Florida license 7WW6460, parked just outside the cocktail lounge.

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