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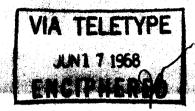
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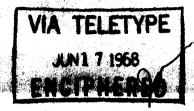
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A few weeks or so ago they were saying that "They'll never catch Dr. King's killer." One columnist wrote: "The truth is that the FBI has not located a single trace of Ray since he supposedly abandoned his white automobile in Atlanta April 5, the day after the Negro clergyman was slain in a Memphis, Tenn., motel."

Understandably, the FBI does not tell all that it knows. It is entirely possible that the FBI did not know exactly where the murder suspect was at the moment the columnist was making his observations. But it evidently wasn't far behind.

The FBI doesn't usually give up so early in a problem of this kind, or any kind. Because of the many implications involved in the slaying of a man of Dr. King's prominence, especially in the civil rights field, it is inconceivable that the FBI ever thought at any time of giving up the search.

So it was not exactly surprising that James Earl Ray, the principal suspect in the Dr. King slaying, was captured Saturday in London principally through the work of the FBI and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The Canadian police found the suspect's passport record in a batch of more than 200,000 applications which they searched and the FBI and Scotland Yard did the rest from that point on.

The investigation must not stop with the arrest of the prime suspect. Efforts must be made to learn whether Ray was only a cog in a conspiracy, whether he was a paid killer. For a man who was unemployed, he spent considerable amounts of money.

The FBI did not give up in its search for Ray, a man of many aliases, and while it is not making its intentions known, it is not likely to abandon the search for conspiratorial or other evidence that might be associated with Dr. King's assassingtion.

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	The following investigation was conducted by SA BOIS D. CROCKER in Caldwell Co., N. C., under pretext ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS being sought by FBI for questioning in car theft and suspect in cashing of numerous worthless checks in connection with Charlotte file 26-39873.
	On 6/16/68 SAMUEL JERRY SANDERS, Route 1, Box 111, (Cottrell Hill Rd.), Lenoir, N. C., Telephone 758-2100, advised he had just returned from 2 weeks National Guard duty at Ft. Bragg, N. C., on that date. During the two weeks of guard duty his wife resided with his brother's wife, Mrs. BILL SANDERS, in Lenoir. His 19 year old brother, JACOB DOUGLAS SANDERS resides in the homewith him and would have been at home at this telephone number at nights only. He denied receiving any telephone calls from his brother, ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS or anyone else and especially calls from the State of Wisconsin.
	On 6/16/68 JACOB DOUGLAS SANDERS, Route 1, Box 111, Lenoir, N. C., advised he resided with his brother but did not receive any telephone calls from Wisconsin during the previous week and he has had no recent contact with his brother, ROBERT.
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teletype 6/16/68. Re Milwaukee teletype to Bureau, 6/15/68 and Charlotte

in connection with Charlotte file 26-39873, car theft and suspect in cashing of numerous worthless checks FRANKLIN SANDERS being sought by FBI for questioning in BOIS B. CROCKER in Caldwell Co., N. C., under pretext ROBERT The following investigation was conducted by SA

or anyone else and especially calls from the State of Wisconsin. any telephone calls from his brother, ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS at this telephone number at nights only. He denied receiving SANDERS resides in the homewith him and would have been at home SANDERS, in Lenoir. His 19 year old brother, JACOB DOUGLAS guard duty his wife resided with his brother's wife, Mrs. BILL at Ft. Bragg, N. C., on that date. During the two weeks of (Cottrell Hill Rd.), Lenoir, N. C., Telephone 758-2100, advised he had just returned from 2 weeks National Guard duty On 6/16/68 SAMUEL JERRY SANDERS, Route 1, Box 111,

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Subsequently on 6/17/68 PAUL SANDERS advised that he had discussed this matter with his wife and she stated she did not receive any long distance telephone calls during the week of 6/9-16/68. She stated ROBERT SANDERS had called PAUL's home on Sunday evening either 6/2/68 or 6/9/68 from an unknown location and this was the last contact she had had with ROBERT SANDERS. She definitely received no calls from Wisconsin to her knowledge during the week of 6/9-16/68.

On 6/17/68 EARL HALL, Halls Used Cars, Lenoir, N.C., Telephone 758-2908, advised that he usually closes his used car lot at approximately 6 P.M. and at the latest 6/30 P.M. He stated ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS was unknown to him to the best of his recollection. He stated he did not received any long distance telephone calls during the week of 6/9-16/68 and especially from anyone in the State of Wisconsin.

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ROBERT SANDERS' brothers indicated that they knew EARL HALL as a used car dealer only and have no personal association with him. RUBY ANDERSON is unknown to thembbut

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They advised they did not lie as to ROBERT's whereabouts and if he were responsible for the theft of a car or passing bad checks or any other crime, he should be caught and punished.

Investigation in Lenoir indicated that all members of IVEY SANDERS' family are law-abiding citizens with the exception of ROBERT FRANKLIN and they are a working class people with good reputations. There is no indication that SANDERS are engaged in any klan activities. EARL HALL operated a used car business in Lenoir for a number of years but sold out but just recently re-established this business. He has the reputation of being a shrewd car dealer not known to engage in any illegal activities.

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- 1. Re-interview MARIKA FOXIE, Wisconsin Telephone Mompany, bearing in mone above information and the fact ROBERT FRANKLIN SANDERS is the suspect in a car theft and in the cashing of numerous worthless checks.
- 2. Attempt to obtain toll tickets concerning telephone calls set forth in referenced Milwaukee teletype.

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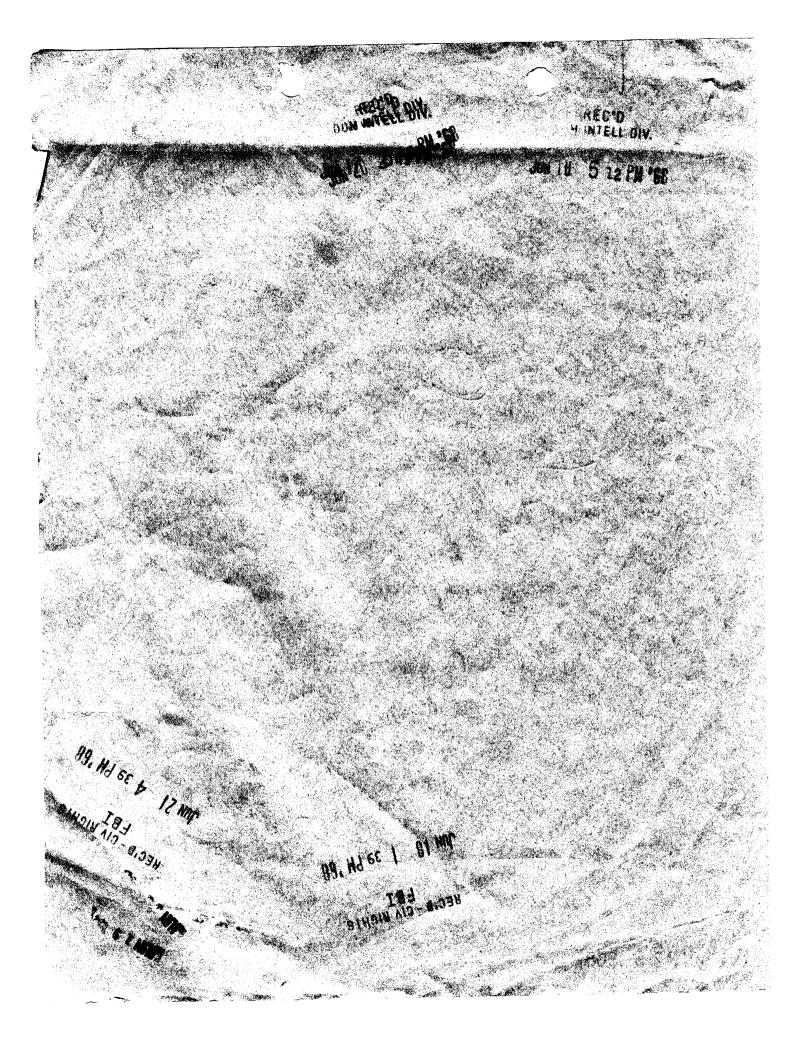
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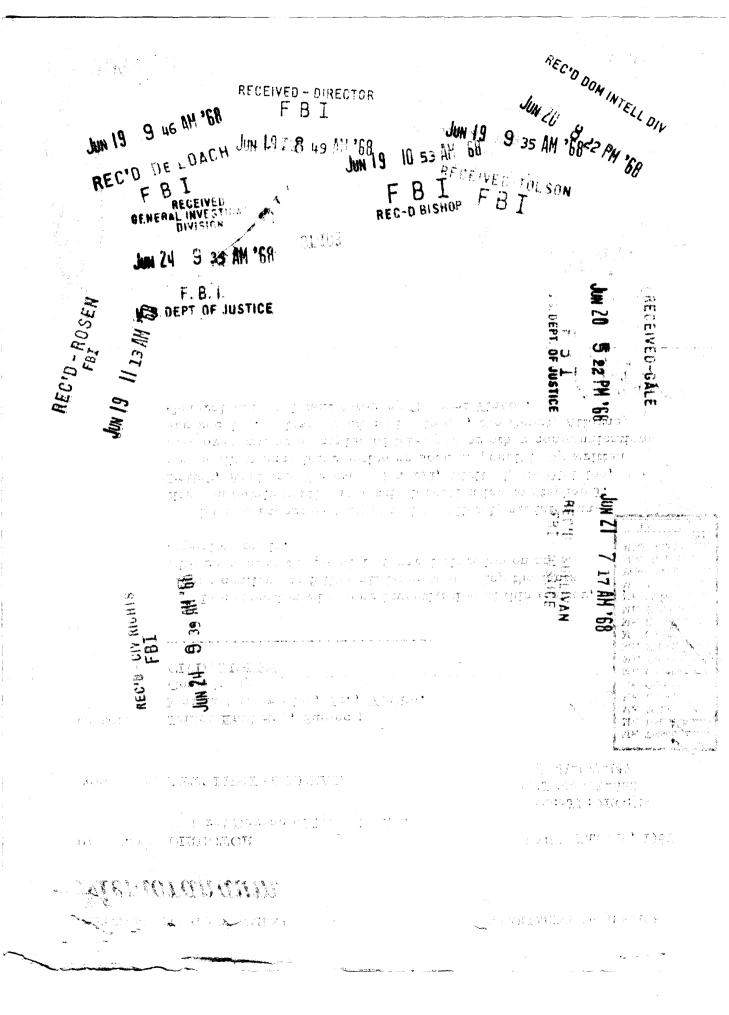
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HE STATED HE HAD MADE CERTAIN SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING SECURITY AT THE SHELBY COUNTY.

CLARK ADVISED THAT THE MATTERS WHICH HE HAD SUBMITTED IN
THE FORM OF SUGGESTIONS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAD BEEN DISCUSSED
BY HIM WITH AAG FRED VINSON IN WASHINGTON, D.C. DURING COURSE OF
CONVERSATION, CLARK STATED AAG VINSON HAD TOLD HIM THAT IT
APPEARED THAT THE EARLIEST ANY POSSIBLE ACTION MIGHT BE TAKEN
INSOFAR AS EXTRADITION OF RAY FROM ENGLAND WOULD BE ON OR ABOUT JULY
THIRTEEN, BEXT. CLARK STATED HE THOUGHT AAG VINSON MIGHT BE
OPTIMISTIC IN REGARD TO THIS DATE.

CLARK ALSO STATED THAT EVALUATION OF PERSONNEL AT SHELBY
COUNTY SO INDICATED THAT IT MIGHT BE ADVISABLE FOR ADDITIONAL
PERSONNEL-TYPE INVESTIGATIONS TO BE CONDUCTED RE DUPUTIES WHO
MIGHT BE ENTRUSTED TO CARE AND PROTECTION OF PRISONER RAY. HE
MADE TENTATIVE INQUIRY AS TO POSSIBILITY OF FBI CONDUCTING
SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS OF THIS TYPE. CLARK WAS TOLD BY SAC THAT
INVESTIGATIONS OF THIS TYPE WERE NOT CONDUCTED BY FBI. IT WAS
SUGGESTED TO CLARK THAT SINCE PRIME RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROTECTION
OF THIS PRISONER RESTED WITH SO AND THAT THE STATE AG WOULD ALSO HAVE
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GIVEN TO HAVE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE CONDUCT PERTINENT PERSONNEL INVESTIGATIONS FOR SO.

IN THIS CONNECTION, IT MIGHT BE NOTED THERE ARE TWO NATIONAL ACADEMY GRADUATES ASSIGNED TO STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE, JOHN LEWIS CARLISLE AND EDWARD L. HUTCHINGSON, JR., INVESTIGATORS.

CLARK ALSO STATED THAT IN HIS DISCUSSION WITH AAG VINSON, WINSON TOLD HIM THAT HE HAD SEEN THE SUBJECT IN THE CELL IN THE BRITISH PRISON WHERE HE IS HELD. THE CELL WAS DESCRIBED AS BEING VERY BLEAK AND THE BED CONSISTED OF BEDDING STRETCHED OVER A BOARD WHICH SERVED AS THE BED IN THIS PARTICULAR CELL. ON SMALL SPIGOT WITH A RECEPTACLE SURROUNDING IT SAFISFIED THE PRISONER FROM THE STANDPOINT OF DRINKING WATER AND HIS USE IN CONNECTION WITH BODILY FUNCTIONS. CLARK STATED THAT AAG VINSON ALSO TOLD HIM THERE WERE TWO CONSTABLES IN THE CELL WITH RAY AT ALL TIMES.

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