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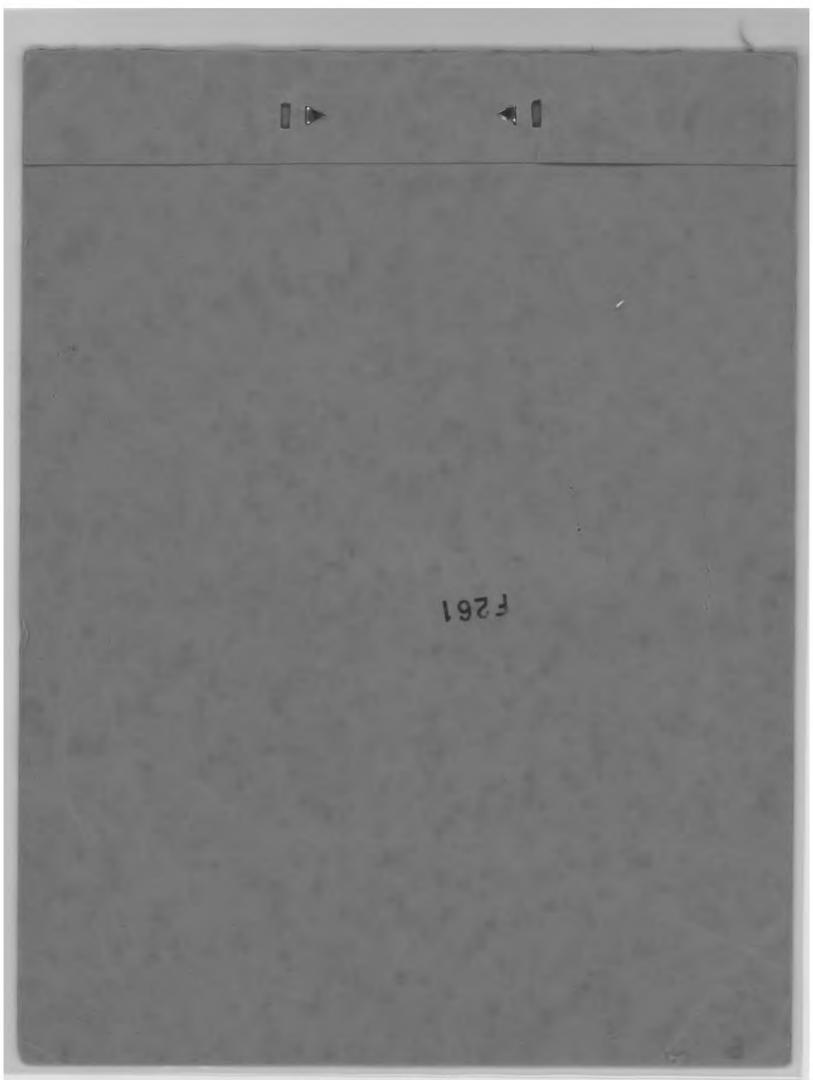


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WILLIAM N. MORRIS, JR., SHERIFF



April 1, 1969

Mr. Robert G. Jensen Federal Bureau of Investigation Federal Office Building 167 North Main Street Memphis, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Jensen:

On behalf of all the law enforcement agencies in this community and the people of Shelby County, we wish to extend to you and your entire staff, as well as others from your department throughout the country, our warmest thanks and appreciation for your support in helping us in the case of James Earl Ray, accused assassin of Martin Luther King.

Mr. Jensen, I know that so many people in your department helped on this case, and it would be impossible to name each of them individually. I hope that in some way you can communicate with those that you know best of our great appreciation. If we can ever serve you in any way, please give us the opportunity, for until that time we remain in your debt and sincerely your friend.

Yours very sincerely,

William W. Worris, Jr.

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Mr. William M. Morris, Jr. Sheriff of Shelby County Criminal Courts Building 150 Washington Avenue Memphis, Tennessee 38103

My dear Sheriff:

Special Agent in Charge Jensen has brought to my attention your letter to him of April 1st. It was thoughtful of you to comment as you did regarding the assistance rendered by personnel of this Bureau in connection with the case involving James Earl Ray. It is always a source of encouragement to receive such kind comments, and you may be sure my associates appreciate, as I do, your most generous remarks.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Personal Attention SAC: Bring to the attention of appropriate personnel.

NOTE: This letter recommended by General Investigative Division.

There is nothing in Bureau or Memphis files to preclude this letter.

General Investigative Division has advised that a copy of letter from LMG: jas (4)

Sheriff Morris has been furnished to the Department.

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# CNERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Attached is a most commendatory letter received by our Memphis Office from William N. Morris, Jr., Sheriff of Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee. James Earl Ray was incarcerated at the Shelby County Jail from 7/19/68, (extradited from London) until his removal to the Tennessee State Prison in Nashville (3/11/69).

It is recommended that a letter of acknowledgement be sent to Sheriff Morris from the Director. Memphis has not acknowledged the letter. If approved, Crime Records Division will handle.

The Department will be furnished a copy of the letter received from Sheriff Morris.

Nothing in the Bureau or Memphis files to preclude a letter to Sheriff Morris.

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ATTORNEY AT LAW

4341 WILLYS PARKWAY TOLEDO, OHIO 43612

April First 1 9 6 9.

J. Edgar Hoover.

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C.

My dear Sir:

You can see by the date on the 18 page discourse that I wrote it a couple weeks ago. I didn't mail it to you then, because I've been wrong so often, that I like to let important matters rest awhile, because this trick may be another wrong one.

And then came remarks from the sentencing judge to show that he had ideas similar to mine. And then came a request of James Ray that he wished a new trial. I think I'll quote Judge W. Preston Battle so you'll know what I am driving at. He said:

There has been much talk of a conspiracy, but no one saying so has yet produced a single shred of evidence or named an associate or conspirator.

The judge said he is himself ouzzled by a number of questions:

I would truly like to know how Ray actual Apr 10 1969 found the spot from which to fire. How did Ray know where Reverend King would be. How did he determine the type of weapon to be used? What are the details of the actual purchase and selection of the weapon? Was he alone in surveillance of the Lorraine Motel?

Nobody suggested that maybe the spooks had something to do with the assassination. Maybe the holy man with the big banner, Reverend, Doctor, Martin Luther King, Jr., plotted his own demise to be a martyr like Jesus did, and those Vietnamese monks pouring gasoline all over their bodies and setting themselves on fire. Anyway, you carry on from here, and if you break this case the world will acquire its greatest favor, to be emancipated from religious fakers.

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With cordial good wishes,

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4341 Willys Parkway, Toledo, Ohio 43612, March 14, 1969.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hocver:

# KEEN PLANS OF MEN

I must forewarn you that this inclosure is a long-winded discourse; but keep going to the end, as it is a correlated thread of links with respect to the the assassination of Reverend, Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr., by one James Earl Ray.

Hence, if you will please, pardon my brash intrusion into your detective profession. My background is the reason. I am still tinctured with some spill-over experience from before my days as a practicing lawyer, when I spent eleven years as a patrolman and detective in the Toledo Police Department. It was natural for me to turn mostly to criminal practice after I out the Toledo Police Department; and it's quite natural for me not to lose my interest in such things.

Furthermore, what induced me to write to you is that when James Ray was sentenced in the courtroom March 10th, his spoken words implied that perchance there had been a conspiracy. Afterwards, lawyers, prosecutors, police, and the author who wrote Ray's biography in relation to the crime, all spoke their expert opinions. I read most of them, and heard others talk on television and radio news broadcasts. As a result, Ray left confusion and suspicion that there may have been others involved. Moreover, there were those displeased persons who opined that a jury should have tried the case, found Ray guilty, and recommended his execution.

Civil execution in such an inconclusive case I think would have been an error, because so long as Ray still lives, it is possible that he may unfold his mystery. Of course, Ray is a crafty schemer. My own opinion is that he was the prime rifle-man. The papers said he would be eligible for parole in thirty-three years. To be deprived of thirty-three years of liberty while others are enjoying freedom and luxury, will surely torment his mind along the way. He likes publicity as the magazine story revealed, and a fellow with a publicity obsession can't lock up his secrets very long.

The author who fashioned Ray's story for one of the magazines has an interesting solution. I heard him say on television that he searched cut every little bit of information that Ray revealed to him, and he inferred that Ray was a cunning liar. The author seemed to think that there was no conspiracy. Additionally, he said that Ray's uncanny remarks in the courtroom impressed him that Ray was an exhibitionist with a tremendous ego, who wished to creep into the history books as a great man; so he wouldn't be forgotten. Well, possibly!

I just finished rereading all the newspaper and magazine accounts of the crime, which records I kept in my home. Still, there are a few phases which the writers and commentators never explained to my satisfaction.

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Except that the incident was a predetermined set-up, how could Ray have known that Reverend King would step outside his motel unit onto the balcony, on that particular day and at that particular time with his two friends Rev. Andrew Young and Rev. Jesse Jackson, at 3 minutes before 6 P.M., and four minutes later at 6:01 P.M., he could shoot Dr. King down? It was precise timing and precision marks-manship, just one shot, and a fast escape; seemingly all cut and dried; and as accurately executed as the known skills of a watchmaker or a diamond cutter.

The Sheriff said that Ray checked into his flop-house at 3:30 P.M. April 3, 1968, the day before the assassination. Thus, from 3:30 P.M. this day, to 6:01 P.M. the next day, April 4, 1968, or the day of the assassination, was a span of  $26\frac{1}{2}$  hours. This wasn't a great deal of time for Ray to case the motel for Dr. King's movements, when one considers that this included Ray's sleeping time, and whatever other recreation he indulged in.

On what day did Dr. King register at his motel? How did Ray know where Reverend King was lodging? How did Ray know that Martin Inther King would come out on the balcony on this particular day at the particular time that he did? How could Ray know whether King would ever come out on the balcony? Hence, how would Ray know that the flop-house bathroom was the appropriate place to wait for King to come out on the balcony? Or did King come out on the balcony also, on April 3, 1968 at about the same time 6:01 P.M., which was the night before the assassination, and would have been  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours after Ray first checked into the flop-house; thereby enabling Ray to observe King's movements for that day at least?

Now then; where was Ray's room in the flop-house with respect to the bathroom? Was it next to the bathroom which would have been a lucky windfall for him in which he could sit, wait, and watch for Dr. King to come out on the motel balcony? Or did he have to take some other room made available to him by the clerk when he checked in? We must assume that the flop-house was not emoty, which would have given him a choice of any room in the place; so that left him to take what he could get

This flop-house bathroom intrigues me. Ray may have had to wait many hours for King to come out on the balcony. If Ray's room was not next to the bathroom, which was a communal toilet, it stands to reason that he couldn't wait in the bathroom all the time because it was intermittently used by other guests of the place, and he would be discovered with the rifle in his hands.

It was after working hours when the shooting took place, and we may surmise that the working guests were in their rooms; and that at any second one or more of them could have gone to the bathroom after they came home from work, and would have seen Ray with his rifle, to make them witnesses against him. The clever Ray must have thought about that hazard, as it is simply elementary where a communal toilet is involved.

If Ray had to gamble for a chance potshot at Dr. King, he may have had to wait a long time for the Reverend to show up on the balcony; maybe days. So it behoved him not to loiter in the bathroom very long with a rifle in his hands, waiting for the uncertain appearance of Dr. King. The risk of being surprised by a guest and eye-witness was too big a gamble to get careless. It was important to him to hide his identity.

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Without a hitch the big event moved like clockworks!

It was early April, and we may presume that it was a little chilly that day in Memphis. And it would seem that the out-of-door balcony was not as desirable a place to hold a spiritual or political conference as inside the motel unit where there were chairs and other facilities. It was a simple gathering of Dr. King and his two friends. There was no political speech rendered to a crowd gathered below; there was no crowd.

Ray took a desperate chance that his exploding rifle would be heard by other guests who would soon be sticking their heads out of doors to ascertain what the commotion was all about, which made it importantive of him to get out of the place in a hurry, so he wouldn't be seen coming out of the bathroom with his rifle; and nobody did see him escape.

Newspaper pictures show the distance from the bathroom to the balcony position of Dr. King was 205 feet. Newspaper accounts state that King's two companions with him on the balcony heard the explosion. But the point is, "The precision plan." As smooth as if it were a planned set-up!

To speculate a mite. Could it be possible that Reverend, Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. was playing a clandestine lonewolf drama with James Ray? Could both of them be the true conspirators? How come both of them were guests in Memohis the same two days? Can it be possible that Dr. King set himself up as a target on the balcony? If he did, it was known only to him and Ray, and they would be the prime conspirators.

Ray's Mustang automobile was discovered in Atlanta. He bought his driver's license in Birmingham. And at one time he was an inmate in the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary. So the fellow knew his way around the vicinity of Atlanta. And coincidentally, Dr. King was a resident of Atlanta where he had his Ebenezer Baptist Church. Therefore, both these men were on home grounds. Ray apparently knew that Dr. King was going to Memphis and he followed him arriving there the day before the assassination. Quick work! I wonder if Ray went directly from Atlanta to Memphis?

Ray seems to have been flush with money. Who financed him to buy a Mustang automobile, remain unemployed, take dancing lessons, and engage whores? Dr. King was paster of a prosperous church. Churches are in themselves almost independent sovereignties, as they do not pay real estate taxes, and do not have to make Federal Income Tax Reports of their collections. Therefore, the Divine Dr. King could pursue a foolproof role of LONEWOLF. He wouldn't have to tell his wife what he did with all his collections; and being a busy gadabout, he could easily fool the deacons of his Church that he was spending much money for travelling expenses, and for civil rights propaganda. Moreover, he must have received thousands of dollars from negro churches around the country; and voluntary gifts from actors, athletes, and negro business men; even from sentimental Christian white people. Dr. King was a virtual king in his parish. His cost of propaganda and travelling expenses all over the United States, Canada, Europe, and Asia must have been tremendous.

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Dr. King was a sullen, self-pittying sort of hypocondriac tinctured with religious zeal at all times. He were a serious, sour expression on his face, and always posed stiffly for pictures on television and in the press. I don't think that he ever smiled or told humorous stories. He sported a grandiose, repulsive vanity devoted exclusively to pious pretense. As it were, an artificial scholarly mien of importance. But Junior was shrewd in palaver. Just a gilt-edged faker!

Albeit, the world has known innumerable famous intellectual picus liars, schemers, egocentrics, and brazen frauds; among them Doctor Cook of North Pole fame; Ponzi, the notorious Boston financial wizard; and those celebrated religious fakers Billy Sunday and Billy Graham. But by far, the greates world faker was the nythical Jesus Christ, the reputed Messiah and only-begotten son of the invisible, unheard, untouchable god of the invisible unknown world of paradise hidden among the stars, which I shall briefly treat below from the New Testament conspiracy. So keep going; you've been served the blue-plate lunch, and now comes the dessert!

To repeat and refresh, from the time Ray arrived in Memphis until the moment he killed King, he had only 26% hours for preparation, including also whatever sleep and recreation he indulged in. That was a big job. It was an exceedingly dangerous job for a killer in daylight. It seems that it would have taken considerable preparatory time, unless he had some made-to-order help.

It is written that, HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF!

I speculate from facts and circumstances that Dr. King was determined to become a religious martyr. One should read the history of the martyrs which I have, to understand how their paranoiac minds operate. All nations have their rules of conduct; but martyrs have their rules of conduct too, and all of them have one single law in common no matter how brilliant they are; and that is that they all desire to die young like the mythical Jesus Christ their blueprint. But the difference between Dr. King and Jesus is that, Jesus was a myth and couldn't be killed.

Death, is the crowning glory of religious paranoiac martyrs. Their goal is immortality, everlasting peace and happiness; and unity with God, Jesus, the saints and angels; where there is eternal life, no work, no debts, no taxes, no sickness and pain, and no change of weather; and separated from sinful rescals in hell. Life is dirt cheap to them, which is one of the reasons why so many of them are celibates and are in a hurry to get away from the sinful earth. 40 more years of probable life doesn't/mich to them; but immortality and everlasting bliss and happiness do.

These silent traits have been so evident with respect to thos Vietnamese Buddhist manks who poured gasoline all over their live bodies in a public square and set fire to themselves. Call them crazy if you wish, but they have to go to seminaries to become priests; so the fools are really educated. Sainthood is their mystic-world of Social Security. And suicide is a quick way to get there.

But suicide would not be conducive to an intellectual of Junior King's caliber, simply because it would be a mortal sin and/disgrace him; and a violation of God's Fifth Commandment, THOU SHALT NOT KILL. And this of course means self or anybody else. Hence, like Jesus, Dr. King was too smart to bump himself off and have people say that he was nuts. It would be easier and cleverer to plot his own demise like Jesus did, and leave his killing to somebody else. He wanted to be respected for all eternity. But he desired to keep this secret so he could assume a modest, picus mien.

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The New Testament blueprint was all spelled cut, and had been waiting for Dr. King for 1900 years, to assert himself as the reincarnation of Jesus Christ, personifying Christ's second coming.

Old Testament prophesying of the coming of a Messiah were extravagant canards of a dozen and more of the Prophets; but nothing for centuries ever happened until Paul came along to make Jesus the promised Messiah to end all other messiahs, except that Jesus would appear a second time. So Junior King being a Bible student knowing the background of Christianity, what was to prevent him from secretly anointing himself the Black Messiah? Jesus was long overdue. Revelation said it would take a millennium, or a thousand years.

There appear eminous forebodings that Martin outsmarted our nation of wiseacres and the world as Dr. Cook and Ponzie tried. In his last year he was preparing astutely with subtle technique his plot of self-destruction. In Time Magazine of April 12, 1968, it quotes King's extraordinary self-esteem, which may be a tip-off of what he had tossing around in his mind sub rosa. Says Reverend King:

The quality, not the logevity, of one's life is what is important. If you are cut down in a movement that is designed to save the soul of a nation; then no other death could be redemotive. Before I will be a slave, I will be dead in my grave."

And Life Magazine of April 12, 1968 quotes the resourceful young Divine oracle hinting his oncoming demise, saying mystically:

It really doesn't matter with me now because I've been to the mountaintop.

But what mountaintop? Was this holy plagiarist cribbing Christ's Sermon on the Mount; or Moses atop Mt. Siani receiving the Ten Commandments from God; or Moses atop Mr. Nebo looking down on Canaan the Promised Land of Milk and Honey, which Moses never visited because of his death? Junior never missed a bet.

Reverend King had his mind's eye set on big things. He spoke of the soul of a nation; not just the soul of a person. Nobody would remember him if he only saved a few souls. But if he saved the souls of the Tegro World; then would he be remembered in the history books for all eternity, and be rewarded salvation in heaven. His routine appears vividly in 9 Hebrews 26 and 28. I quote:

- 26. For then must be often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.
- 28. So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

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This was the beginning of the end of the world for Dr. King. When he talked about being cut down in a movement, it sounded more like a knife or bullet assassination, than death by automobile accident or natural causes; or any other accidental death. King was God's man-of-the-hour; but self-anointed!

As one meditates that which went on before; Dr. King had ostensibly engaged a photographer to take a picture of himself and his two companions standing on the motel balcony. It doesn't seem to have come about accidentally. And a second picture was taken of Dr. King lying on the balcony after the shooting; thus, it would seem that not much time separated the two pictures, which makes one wonder if the same photographer remained to take both pictures; or if there were two separate photographers. Still, was photographer there by accident, or by prior arrangement?

Pictures of the motel balcony with King and five other persons appear in Life Magazine of April 12, 1968. King is lying on the balcony and the others are out of the way and posing, so as to give the photographer a clear focus. And there is another half dozen below standing gazing; and that is all the people. There is no confusion of people, as is usually the case. Nobody lifting Dr. King to carry him into his motel room. They only seemed interested in getting into the film. Anyway, it is a thought, because Dr. King was a vain exhibitionist.

As you can gather from the first quote above, Doc regarded his life as dirt-cheap. And he would trade his youth for a grave, because longevity is not important where quality is involved. At 39 years of age, his sex life that probably began at 19, was probably well spent, with a diminishing life expectancy of not more that 40 years left to him. To a scholarly man of 39 with his trying political aggressivness, sex becomes a bore, filthy, smelly, and disgusting. Love, wars, and athletics belong to youth. They lose their Moxie. He liked the martyrdom of Christ and Gandhi. Doc was on his way. 40 more years of lost manhood was like being dead already. Eternal peace and happiness in heaven was like a roadmap pointing the way to his next and last stopover.

Marquis Childs in his column of April 8, 1968, printed the following:

In a rare public interview in November 1964, Mr. Hoover called Dr. King, 'the most not-crious liar in the country.'\*

In other Newspapers, Mayor Daly of Chicago said that:

Every Civil Rights Peace Parade Reverend King leads is followed by a rict."

On the surface, Doc was a pious holy servant of God; but in back-rooms, he played his cat-and-mouse game, to hatch his undercover criminal plots. He was a street-corner brawling trouble-maker, emulating his model Jesus Christ who drove the money-changers out of the temple which he did not help to build or help to support; in the fashion of Chicago gansters who used to take over business places without payment. Yes sir Mr. Hoover, you and Mayor Daly knew your man, the holy rabble-rouser sticking his nose in the affairs of cities all over the nation, like a flock of wild geese in flight honking love and equal rights; and steaming up negro kids with false pride, and that black is beautiful; besides his influence upon the campus magots to strive for their rights.

Almost all negro leaders are masquerading Christian ministers in high Roman collars. It would be interesting to know how many of the fakers have seminary degrees. Page  $\underline{6}$ .

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Their hate for white people is inestimable. Not just a few, but millions of negroes call Caucasians Whitey or Honkey in derision. They pretend to love and worship Jesus Christ; but Jesus was a Caucasian. So they must really hate Christ too, except to use him. They can't love just one white person and hate all the others past and present. Then that leaves their Christian worship as an out-and-out pretence and fakery. The ingrates forget that it was two white armies in the Civil War fighting their battles for emancipation. It wasn't negro armies, even though a regiment or two of negroes were mustered into Northern service; and for their own purpose of course.

It's exclusive Black Power negroes now want. And Dr. King is their black Messiah as he prepared for it. But what Martin left behind is a jigsaw puzzle which will have to be out together.

He really made a sucker cut of the Pope. Of course the Pope is a politician always looking for converts to build his own racket. He is like Serator Bobby Kennedy another faker who rushed in and chartered a plane to take Mrs. King to Memphis to see her dead Messiah. Bobby was no fool, he was looking for negro votes. With negro threats of no votes, negro politicians before the last election bullied and bled white office seekers out of their courage and sense of decency. To show how gullible the Pope was, The Associated Press, in a printed list of world eulogies by global celebrities, April 8, 1968, had this to say about the Pope being taken in:

Pope Paul, while celebrating Palm Sunday Mass in St. Peter's Basilica, said of Mr. King, an exponent of nonviolence, "We shall associate his memory with that of the tragic story of the Passion of Christ."

That's precisely the way the Atlanta cracle wanted it. Right there in that Vatican expression is the nucleus and all pervading hidden blueprint, locked up in the mind of Reverend, Doctor, Martin Luther King, Jr. This foxy oratorical wind-bag conceived himself as the reincarnated Ghost of the reputed Jesus Christ the only-begotten son of God, Holy Redeemer, Prince of Peace, Messiah by the will of God, one-third of the Blessed Trinity of gods; and additionally, the Light of the World, the bread of Life, Master of Judgment Day, King of the Jews, and Caucasian Savior of mankind who died for the sins of the world that all people would be saved. Besides, according to 9 Hebrews 28, Jesus is supposed to appear on earth a second time. King knew all about this Bible crap as well as I do, and that is why I said that he could very well have imagined himself as the reincarnation of the ghost of Christ. I'll quote verse 28 which goes:

So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that shall look for him shall he appear the SECOND TIME without sin unto salvation.

The word incarnation in my dictionary is defined as: "The union of Divinity with humanity in Christ. A person, animal, or other being, embodying a spirit or deity; a person showing a trait or typical character to a marked degree." Really, it's the germ that contaminates the fickle heads of religious fanatics with conceit and self-esteem.

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Well now, if Paul the inventor of Christianity and coadjutor of The New Testament, could boast of his dreams, visions, trances, and hallucinations; and of his love for Jesus; and of his reincarnation of the ghost of Jesus; why not Doc King emulate Paul who is now a Saint in heaven? Why not Doc King do a little hallucinating that he is the Black reincarnated ghost of Jesus? Here is how Paul puts it in 2 Galatians 20; and King knew about it as well as I. Paul says:

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

I think that we can feel pretty sure that Doc King, the self-anointed ghost of Jesus looked eagerly for Jesus to appear a second time; not to be seen with human eyes; rather by King's hallucinatory imagination, or subliminal emotions, for that is the way egocentric religious fanatics function, until somebody comes along to knock them on their fundaments.

I don't think that my own egotism is running amuck here; or prejudices. And why should one fret over being designated an extremist against these bullying, sadistic negro leaders who are master extremists? From all the dovetailed expressions of Doc King in the press, he had a plot all figured out. Negroes were fed up with Whitey Jesus; and foxy Doc systematically indoctrinated them with his secret of the BLACK MESSIAH, their very own. And the zealous Lonewolf had himself all sculptured as that BLACK MESSIAH. Himself, and his hired propagandists taught negro kids and their elders in separate school classes that they should be proud to be black, because black was beautiful. It was simply subtle hatred of white people; besides other propaganda rubbish, instead of stressing their social standing as American citizens.

Yes indeed, Doc King had himself fixed to be the Black Messiah for didn't he outsmart the Pope who compared him to Jesus? And he would make a splendid Black Prince of Peace like WHITEY Jesus, for hadn't the lonewolf outsmarted the Nobel Peace Prize Foundation in Stockholm, Sweden, to award him the coveted Nobel Peace Price, which carried world prestige and a cash gift of fifty thousand dollars?

Holy Reverend King couldn't very well call himself simply the PRINCE OF PEACE, because that symbol had been pre-emoted for Jesus Christ centuries ago. But now with the Nobel Peace Prize tucked away in his vest, he could claim the next best thing, THE BLACK PRINCE OF PEACE. And the world fell for his bold fraud. Martin was now on his way to BLACK PCWER, and immortality, buttressed by his Black Panther chalanx of knives and bullets.

As this fellow achieved no outstanding beace recognition in this country previous to his award of the Nobel Peace Prize, beyond the accomplishment of any other propagandist, it seems that his case needs a little investigation. Nobel Prize winners cannot be victorious on their own efforts alone; rather, they must be recommended to the Nobel Committee. So, who were King's sponsors? The sponsors might perchance reveal that spooks were behind King's planned martydom. If Jesus the reputed god plotted his own martyrdom, why should we be so ridiculously naive as to delude ourselves, "Ch, Reverend Doctor King would never do a thing like that!"

It must have taken King and his secret agents a great lot of time, money, Page 8

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and plotting to outsmart the Nobel Peace Foundation, because never before -- never, did any Pope, Cardinal, Bishop, or priest ever accuire that priceless award; yet, nevertheless, all the holy hornblowers on the Christian Caucasian side have been haranguing about peace and love for 1900 years. What a bunch of suckers the Christian Caucasian clergymen have been to let this loud-mouthed Baptist orator with unlimited Church collections which couldn't be traced, chase them into their holes like gophers in the night; probably because Foxy Doc with the big guts, and his noisy, troublous rabble-rousers kept hollering discrimination and police brutality. They made the whites feel that they were guilty of something. But we never hear a peep out of them about their own brutality. They are even beasts among themselves. Negroes never let up howling about equal rights and human dignity. And what we got in turn from these sadistic cannibals of knives and bullets was arson, hate, anger, premeditated murder, larceny, anarchy, burning buildings, and destructive insurrection; inspiration I suppose from the holy God in heaven. Everything is heaven inspired with those church fanatics. So as I said before, how can one be anything else but an extremist towards these bully savages who are master extremists themselves?

The Pope was a terrible sucker to let this unknown Baptist minister steal the world peace show right from under his nose, because back in 1965 his Eminence the Pope came all the way from Rome to New York City, on an elaborate Peace Mission of his own. I saw it on television. And the Pope made other peace missions to South America and Jerusalem. So the Pope, vicar of Christ on earth, and the holiest and biggest peace and love propagandist in the wide world, let the little Baptist from Atlanta outfox him. Which only goes to show what a professional propagandist with a huge budget of nontraceable Church collections can do.

Slick Reverend King, nor anybody else should be criticized for acquiring the coveted Peace Prize with its luminent cash gift; if he didn't take it, samebody else would. But surprisingly, out of thousands of other clever clergymen, King was never known to qualify for any special peace aptitude. The point is that he was imitating Jesus Christ, Martin Luther, and Mahatma Gandhi. Martyrs were his heroes. And it is most plausible that he feverishly desired the Nobel Peace Prize, to picture himself as the Black Prince of Peace, to imitate Jesus "The Prince of Peace."

Therefore, the Nobel cash prize was only secondary with him as he had a prosperous Church; and received collections from all over the nation. When Doc thought about his great world achievement the Nobel Prize, and looked at himself in a mirror, he must have thought that BLACK IS BEAUTIFUL!

The saintly Reverend was a sharpshooting propagandist. He must have had many chuckles by himself, after he outfoxed the wise religionists and political politicians. He never missed a bet to puff himself up. The bigger the display the better he liked it. He never signed his name with simple letters as many business executives and professional men do; that is: M. L. King, or Martin L. King. No sir! Not our estentatious hely man Martin, as he went whole hog. He was a crusty show-off because he was ruthlessly vain. You can read him by his serious poses in all his pictures. He had a burning urge to impress on everybody that he was something special; that he was a stellar man of college degrees and religious emblems. And that he had been named after the noted Martin Luther, inventor of Lutheranism, and a theologian of world stature. Reverend King wanted to be a world celebrity too.

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So with his usual preconceived showmanship, which all along the line leaves some proof that he was an inate schemer to build himself a world celebrity. He carried the gaudy banner REVEREND, DOCTOR, MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr.; a banner as broad and childish as the rows of medals hanging across the chests of Russian generals. The apendix Jr., would attract the attention of future generations that he was a young buck who died young to sacrifice his youthful life for them, as did Jesus, supposedly. It was all a segment of his blueprint to outsmart the world.

In his pageantry across the country, King constantly pretended searching for equal rights of negroes, in a world where there are no equal rights for anybody. Only death and the grave under the turf make all men equal.

One of the strange perplexities of intellectual religious fanatics is that, because their paranoiac troughs of self-esteem is so overpowering, they really outsmart themselves that they are by the will of god destined for sainthood or deification. The best example of how one of these egotists placed himself right next to god, is the palaver of Paul, the inventor of Christianity. He said in 15 First Corinthians 10, about himself:

But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

That's what Paul thought about himself; god didn't say it, nor anybody else. But Paul was a notorious liar too; like J. Edgar Hoover said of Rev. King. Paul admits it in 3 Romans 7. I quote Paul:

For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner?

Paul made it big. He is now supposed to be a Saint in heaven; and he has several cathedrals and churches named after him. Dour Doc King knows all about this New Testament falderal, because he has been emulating them; which makes Doc all puffed up on himself. Paul says that all that he is was done by the grace of God. So if one desires to march along with the band, he must learn to toot his own horn.

In David Lawrence's column of April 8, 1968, it is stated that Senator Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia said that: picus Reverend King was a fomenter of violence, hiding behind a peace veil. That was the King all right; he preached peace, love, freedom, and happiness; and made trouble wherever he went. He was imitating his hero Jesus chasing the money-changers out of the temple.

Keep remembering that Reverend, Doctor, Martin Luther King, Jr. was an imitator, on the sly. The mythical Jesus Christ in the Gospels was a rabblerouser, and unpatriotic street corner brawler fomenting insurrection just like Dr. King did. Jesus was plotting his own death by these tactics, but he would have to leave his crucifixion to others. Really though, Jesus was a myth and couldn't be around to plot

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his own phony crucifixion; but, Paul and the four Gospel writers were around, and conspired to plot Christ's crucifixion and the Christian religious system. Still, this doesn't mean that Doc King didn't imitate the phony martyrdom of the Gospel Jesus. To prove to you that the reputed Jesus plotted his own death, I shall quote from page 196, section 64, verse 3, in the Benzinger Brothers Bible History of my school days, to wit:

The Jewish Paschal Lamb was a figure of Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb; for this reason Christ was by his own will out to death on the cross on the same day at the very hour that year by year the Jewish Paschal Lamb was offered in the Temole.

And according to the Gospel of John, Jesus chose Judas Iscarict to squeal his whereabouts so the soldiers could crucify him. And in his blueprint of imitations, it is plausible that Doc King chose James Earl Ray to dispatch him, in order to become another martyr of the Church. Here is how the reputed Jesus plotted in 13 John, verses 18 and 26. Jesus speaks:

- 18. I speak not of you all: I know whom I have chosen: but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.
- 26. Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dioped it. And when he had dipped the sop, he gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.

Imitation is one of the cardinal principles of religion. Everything must dovetail. Theology keeps religion methodical with its eye on things that went on before; because, that is the only way the clergy can make things look genuine.

It was the second day after James Earl Ray arrived in Memohis and shot King. It was two days until the feast of the Passover when Jesus would be crucified. I quote 26 Matthew, verses 1 and 2. Jesus speaks:

- 1. And it came to pass, when Jesus had finished all these sayings, he said unto his disciples,
- Ye know that after two days is the feast of the passover, and the Son of Man is betrayed to be crucified.

A strange quirk of religious dreamers is to imagine that their deaths are motivated by the will of God. In part, Jesus said in 26 Matthew, verses 54 and 56:

- 54. But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that thus it must be?
- 56. But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled..."

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Reverend King knew all these Bible inserts. They were his ABC's of the ministry. But this glib-tongued comman was a counterfeit. A counterfeit is a duplicate; and a duplicate is a mere copy or an imitation; but King was a clever imitation. His story is a tapestry of phantasm and incredible gall, aflame with excessive spiritual and political zeal, which as a lonewolf he projected all by himself, like Paul used to do. He imagined himself the nonpareil of megro world. And he performed a good job of make-believe. He outsmarted a lot of people of all races and creeds. He pulled himself up by his own bootstraps.

Marquis Child's column of April 8, 1968 was headed, KING'S FATE LIKE GANDHI'S. Well, Gandhi was one of the old fakers heroes. King's wife Mrs. Coretta King said, "King's death was THE WILL OF GOD."

Now why would God the heavenly father; the merciful, kind, and sentimental father who is supposed to create all little innocent babies; sentence young Doc King to an early death, right in the midst of his earthly mission when he was doing so much good for people of the whole earth?

The unabridged truth is that none of these holy fakers of god are as saintly or essential to the welfare of the peoples of the world as the inventors of Aspirin and Tums. They don't even know how to build back-yard privies; they only know how to fill them.

Slick Doc liked Christ's and Gandhi's kind of martyrdom at the hands of another, even though he plotted his own demise by craft. Still, by digressing from his usual role of lonewolf, he would hazard the peril of employing another to bump him off. If such was the actual conspiracy, King was smart enough to ponder the possibility that a co-conspirator if arrested would squawk. But that wouldn't bother an egotist like King who already had hundreds of enemies, as he believed that because he had built up such a formidable wall of piety around himself, that not many people would believe any slander against him. And of course, James Ray on the other hand, was such an impervious egocentric, that he couldn't imagine himself ever getting caught.

Another one of those wacky intellectual holy men with a god complex is Reverend, Congressman, Adam Clayton Powell, a negro of New York City, with his Church situated in the Bronx, where he practices all the tricks known to charlatan ministers. Several months ago, probably a year or more, this big-mouthed grafter was standing on the Capitol steps in Washington talking to a group of a couple dozen negroes. I saw him on television. He is imbued with divine phantasy too. He pointed to the Capitol building behind him saying that there was a gang of hypocrites trying to crucify him. All those crazy ministers imagine that they are incarnations of Christ. They all want to get into the act. Themselves, are hypocrites of the worst type.

All those frenzied martyrs have the same ideas of divine grace. Psychiatrists call them Schizophrenics. And their followers are as whitecaps bouncing around on tops of waves of charmed human gullibility. But keep reading for the dessert is yet to come.

In King's biography by William Mackaye of April 5, 1968, slick Martin contemplates his own crucifixion; and he uses that word saying in part:

It may get me crucified. I may even die. But I want it said even if I die in the struggle that, "he died to make men free."

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King is just like Jesus who died to save the world. Of course, if the faker imagined himself the Second Coming of Christ on earth; then he was Jesus. The incarnated ghost of Jesus. He said that he wanted people to say that, "he died to make men free." This is a splendid example of the extreme self-esteem this arrogant fellow weighed himself. How puffed up he was or himself. How important he imagined himself to be to the world. We have to believe his martyrdom preparation because he is the one who told the press. But surely, there are many more gilt-edged records than these few excerpts I submit. It shows that his trend of mind wa?death.

Thus much, Dr. King was secretly, but feverishly preparing the world for his martyrdom. It was his own self-prophesied departure by crucifixion. He had been on a mountain top which was as high as he could get on earth. His assertion was a counterpart to Christ's "Sermon on the Mount." Of course King didn't mean that he'd be hanged on a cross, for that would be silly in this modern age, because the public wouldn't permit that style of sadism. King was just engaging in a little metaphor to make himself appear like the Second Jesus Christ. That is, The Black Messiah. Imitation, was the essence of all successors of religions.

In an associated Press release, Sunday, June 23, 1968, and written by Mary Campbell, she quotes in part from a Mercury changraph record the voice of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. It is revealing in that King is diligently preparing his own funeral. I'll quote all of the last paragraph of Mary Campbell's composition, which will be better than to condense it. It goes:

The record starts with something Dr. King said the day before he was killed. April 3, and ends with the famous "I have a Dream" speech. But probably the most powerful portion is a sermon in an Atlanta church in which Dr. King is saying what he'd like to have said at his funeral. Among the phrases is, "say that he tried to love and serve humanity." This excerpt, in Dr. King's voice, was used at his funeral.

This fellow's funeral preparations bug me; it's so elaborately predetermined; cut and dried, and made to order. Here is Slick Doc bemoaning his death and oreaching his funeral services the day before his own death; which seems as prophetic as Christ talking about his crucifixion two days before the Passover, the day upon which he was crucified. Everything dovetails into King's set-up, as if he positively knew the exact day and hour he would be bumped off. Therefore, from his own mouthings on phonograph records and to the public press, he left the door open to suspicion and some guesswork, or controlled clairvoyance. But who the devil would want to buy phonograph records of this guy blowing about his funeral?

The word clairvoyance in my dictionary is defined as: "Clear-sightedness; ability to perceive things out of range of ordinary perception." So you see, clairvoyance is not all guesswork. Clairvoyance is not such technique that men should render snap judgments. Rather it is more conducive to gather the facts and circumstances to fit the pieces together like a jigsaw picture puzzle.

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Often, world diplomats, journalists, and detectives have no other reliance than their intuition or clairvoyance. Every day on radio, television, newspapers, and in magazines we observe the interpolations of journalists trying to interpret the actions and remarks of diplomats, military men, politicians, and professional propagandists. One of their favorite expressions is "From a reliable source, et cetera, et cetera." And then surprisingly, maybe the next day, the next week, a month or a year later, the columnists guesswork turns out to be the truth. Dr. King leaves much of what he has said and done to clairvoyance or intuition. It is sometimes circumstantial evidence to be sure, but when fit together it makes a complete picture of Dr. King the uncanny jigsaw puzzler. How else? Dr. King never betrays his schemes anymore than a thief telephones the police that he is about to rob a bank or burglarize a residence. An astute designer builds a high wall around his thinking so nobody else can peek in.

Arm-chair detectives portrayed all kinds of theories about King's assassination; but none of them approached the crime from a standpoint of religion. And it appears to me that they all missed the bus; that is to say, the SPOOK BUS driven by Reverend, Doctor, Martin Luther King, Jr. To comprehend Dr. King, I speculate that one has to turn back to the Bible, King's eerie roadmap! From the fibers of the Bible he weeved his self-conceived aura of divine insoiration. Bible characters surely influenced him because in the quotation above he tells about his dream. You know, Paul the inventor of Christianity was a famous dreamer, trance, and hallucination man too. Paul invented the recuted Jesus Christ in a hallucination on a lonely road near Damascus. Read about Paul in 22 Acts of the Apostles. Everything about King dovetails.

I call Jesus a myth and biological absurdity. In a world of glorious dupes, this is an inelegant remark that will offend many. But, in order that I may not appear off my rocker about this, I think that I ought to elaborate with some proof right out of the Bible; else, you might consider me a wild extremist. The shortest most concise way to understand positive proof of Christ's mythical nature, is to read Chapter 1 Matthew, Verses 18, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 25. The whole story in this one place like peas in the same pod. This information is important inasmuch as Jesus is a phony god, and makes Dr. King who imitates him a phony too, because an imitation of one fraud is just another fraud from beginning to end; and two phony frauds do not make one of them good. You must pardon me, but King's intermittent build-up of his funeral bugs me!

To save you the time of searching the Bible for this chaoter and verses I shall lay them verbatim right before you. But note that Christ's old man is the invisible Holy Ghost. And because God, Jesus, and the Holy Ghost are all one and the same god called The Blessed Trinity of Gods, this really makes Jesus father of himself, simply because Jesus is also the Holy Ghost, or 1/3rd of the Trinity all but together. Sure it's a crazy idea, and a biclogical absurdity, but that is what the holy book says; and why I point out that Jesus is a biological fraud and myth. Yet, nevertheless, Dr. King the Black Messiah by his actions, shows that he wishes to emulate this fraud just like it is in the New Testament.

And note too as you read these verses in Matthew that, Joseph was not a blood relative of Jesus; he was merely a handy-man to give the twisted story some measure of dignity. In fact, Mary the Virgin, was pregnant with Jesus before she ever

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met Old Joe as you shall see. So all that Joe knew about the mystic deal, was that which the Angel of the Lord told him in a dream. Another one of those dream fellows. The Bible is loaded with the dreams of holy men; sometimes called trances and visions. They see and hear things which don't exist. It's pathetic to listen to some of those radio ministers on Sunday praising the old Bible dreamers. The fools talk as though they believe all the Bible lies. Anyway, in a nutshell, following is the complete story about the phony birth of Jesus Christ:

- 18. Now the Birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise:
  When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph,
  before they came together, she was found with
  child of the Holy Ghost.
- 19. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily.
- 20. But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.
- 21. And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.
- 24. Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife.
- 25. And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS.

And then, 7 Hebrews 3, should curl your hair to learn that Jesus is an out-and-out myth who never existed, because he never had any parents; consequently, he was never born. I quote Paul the inventor of Jesus and Christianity. Paul speaks:

Without father, without mother, without descent, having neither beginning or days, nor end of life; but made like unto the Son of God; abideth a priest continually.

So you see Mr. Hoover, the halo-incrusted Revererd, Doctor, Martin Luther King, Jr., was a personification of Jesus Christ. Pope Paul said, I repeat.
"We shall associate his memory with that of the tragic story of the Passion of Christ."
But Doc was the Black Messiah; the incarrated Second Coming of Christ.

Doc was all puffed on himself. He inferred that he had achieved CUALITY, the most precious human attribute, which was all that mattered to him. He didn't give a hoot for longevity; that is, to grow into old age. Doc had

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reached his peak, or would when he was martyred. He was ready to shuffle off. He felt in his bones that God was calling him to an early reward in heaven. God never sends out written invitations. These spiritual nuts only feel their inspirational callings. Sublime aura or quiver that some invisible power is hovering. Didn't King's wife say, "His death was the will of God"? That was a King-family belief, including Doc.

Senator Bobby Kennedy provoked Sirhan Sirhan with his defense of the Jews in Israel against the Arabs, and Sirhan the Arab killed Kennedy. The reputed Jesus Christ provoked the money-changers in the Temple and got crucified for his meddling. Doubtless, Doc King provoked the Ku Klux Klan in addition to dozens of other american groups. Surely King was aware that he was an ornery agitator, stepping on the toes of labor unions, political groups, business men, and even other clergymen who he surmised were trying to barge in on his racket. Like me, he saw dozens of Negro Ministers with high Roman collars spouting on television. But Doc refrained, as he had more decorations than all of them put together.

Thus much, King knew too, unless he was blind to his own ego, that if he mirded his own business and took care of his Church affairs, that hardly anybody would have bothered him. But that kind of faintheartedness would not be imitating his hero Jesus Christ. That he didn't mind his own business, but instead went blustering all over the nation spouting his phony peace idiology, is pretty good proof in itself that he had a deep-seated, and uncontrollable urge to reach a goal beyond earthly rewards.

The chaotic unrest of the nation and the world which he and his subservient dupes, whites and blacks of the same temperament, who femented his anarchistic insurrection, found a stroke of luck perfectly timed for his departure. He didn't care because he had no assurance that he would ever die from natural causes in one, five, ten or forty years which would flit by in a jiffy.

Dr. King was the Black Prince of Peace now. And he was the mystic black Messiah personifying Christ's second coming to earth; hence, the last and final Messiah to end all future Messiahs. He was the arthitect of his own demise.

The Great Volunteer was finally ready to be beatified. He was ready to go back home in heaven to be a marked into his counterpart Jesus, one and the same spirit. If he was not tormented daily by his haunting demise; then for what other purposes did he say and do the things he did? Wasn't his funeral preparations proof of some kind?

But what about James Earl Hay? He still lives. If this had been a conspiracy between him and Doc King, he probably believed that the planned set-up would be so quick and easy that he would never get caught. Naturally, it doesn't look so rosy to him now. If there was a conspiracy between them, he would be the one to prove it; maybe the only one.

Iawyers try to influence courts and juries to believe that their assassin clients are mentally deranged and not accountable for their crimes; for example, Sirhan Sirhan. But on rare occasions, murdered victims have had the same intent as their assassins. Jesus definitely plotted his own demise by the Roman soldiers as I have shown; and Volunteer King may have had the same idea as Jesus and James Earl Ray.

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So whether Reverend King's assassination was motivated by political provocation; or, by his own ulterior spiritual martyrdom, further investigation concerning the things I point out might possibly unfold a clearer solution.

Clairvoyance and intuition isn't much to go on; yet they do have their merits, in that often they provide raw clues from suspicious circumstances for investigators to stumble into. Says this old experienced dreamer.

I am past 79 years of age, and I have no fears of God, the Devil, and all the bullying clergymen combined. Unless we suckers knuckle down, go to Church every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation to feed the kitty and pray to their invisible slobs in the realm of Zero, they slander us as hopeless atheists, communists, infidels, enemies of God, social outcasts, devils incarnate, and thoroughly crazy. On the other side of the coin, these goodly holy bigots, hypocrites, and extremists are the self-chosen People of God!

The next and final page is a glossary of what Reverend, Doctor, Martin Inther King, Jr. probably sculptured of himself. These were his own pre-determined frills of his own elegant image. Nobody elected him to these things. Dr. King was a cagy LONEWOLF!

# GLOSSARY

Prophet, and eloquent eulogist of his own death and funeral.

Incarnated ghost of Jesus Christ the white Messiah and Prince of Peace.

Personification of Christ's second coming to fulfill the Scriptures.

Counterpart of the martyred Mahatma Gandhi.

Divine Black Messiah.

Holy Black Prince of Peace.

Holy Black Savior of Negroes.

King in name, and King of the Negro World.

Apostle of Black Power and love.

Knight of the Black Watch.

Holy Redeemer of Civil rights and freedom.

Self-anointed Black Servant of God.

God's man-cf-the-hour.

Oracle of Memphis.

Uncanny Blessed Martyr by the Holy Will of God.

Sole individual who outsmarted the Pope and Nobel Peace Prize Foundation.

Greatest hoaxer since Christ, Dr. Cook, Ponzie, Billy Sunday, and Billy Graham.

Imitator of Bible characters and lore.

Perfectionist!

Flamboyant spinner of fairy-tales and make-believe!

With kind personal regards,

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Re Butte letter to Memphis, 4/1/69 (no copies to Bureau) reflecting that one MORRIS R. McCARVER has told Agents of the Butte Office that just prior to KING's murder he, McCARVER, was approached by one G-EDON WHITNER (FH) who asked what it would take to get McCARVER to kill KING.

Butte Office should furnish [GCLRVER's information to the Bureau and Memphis in a form suitable for dissemination.

Little Rock should attempt to identify and interview GERDON WHITNER (PH) and should submit this interview to the Bureau and Memphis in an LHM.

Little Rock should correspond directly with Butte for any additional facts needed to identify WEITNER.

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TO

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SUBJECT: MURKIN

DATE: **April 9, 1969** 

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This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

William Bradford Huie, author, who has been writing a series of articles concerning James Earl Ray and the King assassination was interviewed by authorities of the State Attorney General's Office, Shelby County, Memphis, Tennessee, in February, 1969. During the interviews Huie claims that James Earl Ray told him that Ray made a telephone call from Acapulco, Mexico, to Corpus Christi, Texas, and that Ray and a "fat" bartender in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, were allegedly dealing in marijuana. According to Huie, Ray allegedly brought a sizable quantity of marijuana with him to California. We instructed Legat Mexico to contact the appropriate authorities in order to have these matters resolved as it is necessary to determine if any possible conspiracy exists and the source of Ray's funds.

It is to be noted that it has been established that James Earl Ray registered at a hotel in Acapulco, Mexico, on October 10, 1967; registered at a motel in Guadalajara, Mexico, on October 15, 1967; registered at a hotel in Puerto Vallarta on October 19, 1967; and on November 19, 1967, he leased an apartment in Los Angeles, California.

Legat Mexico has advised that authorities have conducted extensive investigation in the Acapulca area concerning the alleged telephone call to Corpus Christi, Texas, and they have not located any such record; however, efforts are continuing.

Legat Mexico has also advised that a "fat" bartender in Puerto Vallarta has been interviewed and he claims Ray indicated an interest in buying marijuana and the bartender refused to discuss the matter with Ray. Ray lived with 1989 prostitute for about five days in Puerto Vallarta, and this prostitute claimed that she parted company with him because he

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wanted her to buy marijuana which she refused to do. Ray told this prostitute that he made various trips to Yelalpa, a nearby beach area in order to buy marijuana.

The authorities in Mexico have advised us that because of a crackdown by authorities in Acapulco regarding narcotics in 1967, the narcotics traffickers moved to Puerto Vallarta and several surrounding islands and it is possible to purchase any amount of marijuana at these locations. We have information that Ray had been in touch with individuals residing at these locations and investigation in Mexico is continuing to thoroughly resolve this matter.

The possibility therefore exists that Ray went to Acapulco to purchase marijuana (stayed in area for approximately ten days) and then moved to Puerto Vallarta area where he determined that marijuana could be purchased. (He stayed here for approximately thirty days.)

## ACTION:

For information. You will be kept advised.

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SUBJECT:

DISCUSSION OF JAMES EARL RAY CASE ON "TODAY" SHOW

APRIL 1, 1969

William Bradford Huie, who has written articles about James Earl Ray; Arthur Hanes, his former attorney; and Reverend Lowery, Chairman of the Board of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, discussed the Ray case on above program.

Hanes said he believed that Ray had help and was not capable of carrying out the assassination alone. He also said that Ray consistently denied shooting Dr. King. Huie said that he felt Ray had help, but accomplished the killing of Dr. King alone. Huie also said that after his last confinement Ray was different and had educated himself and was crafty when he escaped. He felt Ray was definitely capable of planning and carrying out the assassination. Hanes hinted that a black conspiracy was responsible for King's death and Reverend Lowery denied this possibility. Reverend Lowery advocated forming a commission to investigate the assassination.

There was no mention of the FBI on this program.

## RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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In addition, cooperative contacts at the Mexico City headquarters of Telefonos de Mexico have been requested to determine whether a record of any such telephone call would still be in existence and, if so, to attempt to locate this record. Experience hin passed cases has shown that local telephone exchanges in many parts of the country usually forward their toll tickets for long-distance calls to a central point in their area or to the main office in Mexico City.

MEX 34, an investigative informant, has continued his efforts to locate additional records in Acapulco pertaining to the visit there by GALT in October, 1967. The informant has furnished three written reports since December, 1968, reflecting that the has continued to check in the hotels and motels and listing more than 15 of these establishments which he has contacted during periodic visits to Acapulco. To date, no additional information has been developed regarding GALT's brief visit to Acapulco in 1967.

With regard to the allegation that RAY and a "fat" bartender in Puerto Vallarta were dealing in marijuana, it is believed that this is a reference to LUIS GARCIA, bartender at the Hotel Oceano, who was extensively interviewed in Puerto Vallarta during April, 1968. GARCIA admitted having associated with GALT, appeared to be cooperative and furnished a number of leads which were valuable for the additional investigation conducted at that time. He did not, however, provide any information about having dealt in marijuana with GALT and, to the contrary, stated on one occasion that he terminated his association with GALT because the latter indicated an interest in buying marijuana.

ELISA ARELLANO TORRES advised on 4/17/68 that she had lived with GALT for about five days in Puerto Vallarta and claimed that she had parted company with him because he wanted her to buy marijuana which she refused to do. She said he told her he had made various trips to Yelapa, a nearby beach area, in order to buy marijuana.

With regard to the possibility that local authorities might have information concerning GALT's dealing in marijuana in Puerto Vallarta, the violations of narcotics

laws are under the jurisdiction of the Federal Judicial Police in Mexico. GEORGE EMRICH, Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs (BMDD), U. S. Embassy, Mexico, D. F., has advised that his office is in nearly daily contact with the Federal Judicial Police and that there have been no reports from that agency concerning narcotics activities by Americans in Puerto Vallarta. EMRICH stated the Federal Judicial Police do not have a representative in Puerto Vallarta and, about five years ago, asked the U. S. Narcotics Agents in the Embassy to send someone there to investigate the narcotics traffic. At that time, a source of U. S. Narcotics did spend about three weeks in Puerto Vallarta and found areas where marijuana was being grown and sold, not only in Puerto Vallarta but also in Yelapa and Mismaloya, two nearby beach areas.

A source of local U. S. Narcotics Office advised them in May, 1967, that there had been a large influx of narcotics traffickers into Puerto Vallarta because of a crackdown by authorities in Acapulco. This source said that marijuana and other drugs were readily available in Puerto Vallarta and that there is practically no law enforcement there. Another source of U. S. Narcotics in the United States advised in September, 1965, that he had been in touch with an individual who lived on an island near Yelapa and who told him that he would be able to buy any amount of marijuana \*If he went to Yelapa.

It is noted that the LHM forwarded by this office under date of 7/24/68 sets forth the information mentioned above which was received from ELISA ARELLANO TORRES concerning GALT's trips to Yelapa and statements from several other individuals interviewed regarding trips that GALT did make to Mismaloya.

It is the opinion of BNDD Agents now assigned to the Embassy that there is traffic in marijuana in the Puerto Vallarta area and that neither the local or federal authorities have any effective means of controlling it or obtaining information concerning it. They believe that Mexicans employed in the various tourist enterprises in Puerto Vallarta would be unlikely to admit to any investigator that they had dealings with GALT in marijuana.