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Enclosure

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Description of subject
from Birmingham:

White

Male

Age 36

5'8" - 5'10"

150 - 160 lbs.

Medium complexion

Dark hair (probably brown)



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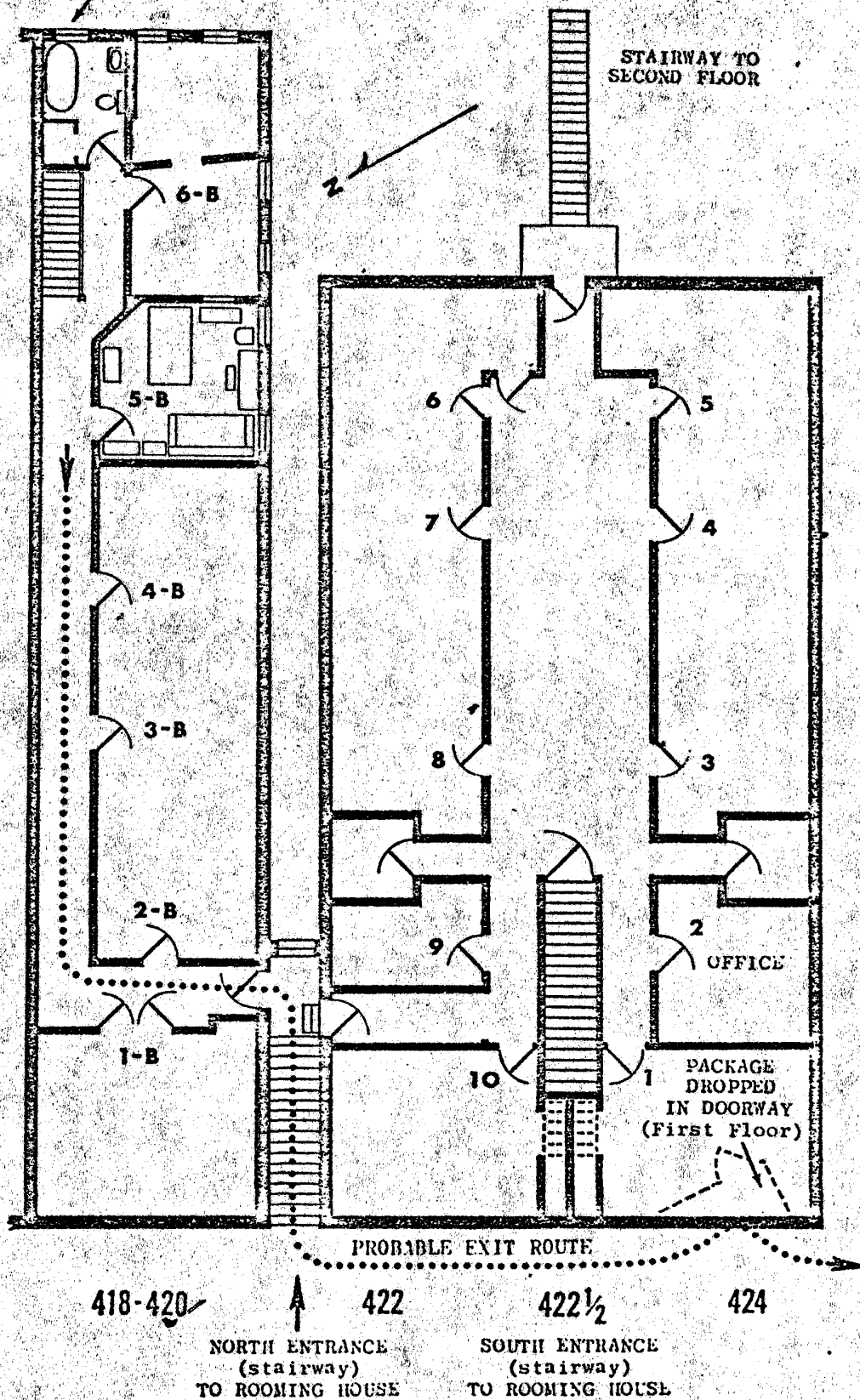
COMPOSITE OF UNSUB, AKA
ERIC STARVO GALT,
HARVEY LOWMYER,
JOHN WILLARD

White Male
Date of Birth: (not verified)
5'8" - 5'11"
160 - 175 pounds
Medium Build
Brown Hair - Brush Cut
Eyes - Blue, or Green, or Hazel
Clean Shaven

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BATHROOM WINDOW
FROM WHERE
SHOT WAS FIRED

of ROOMING HOUSE

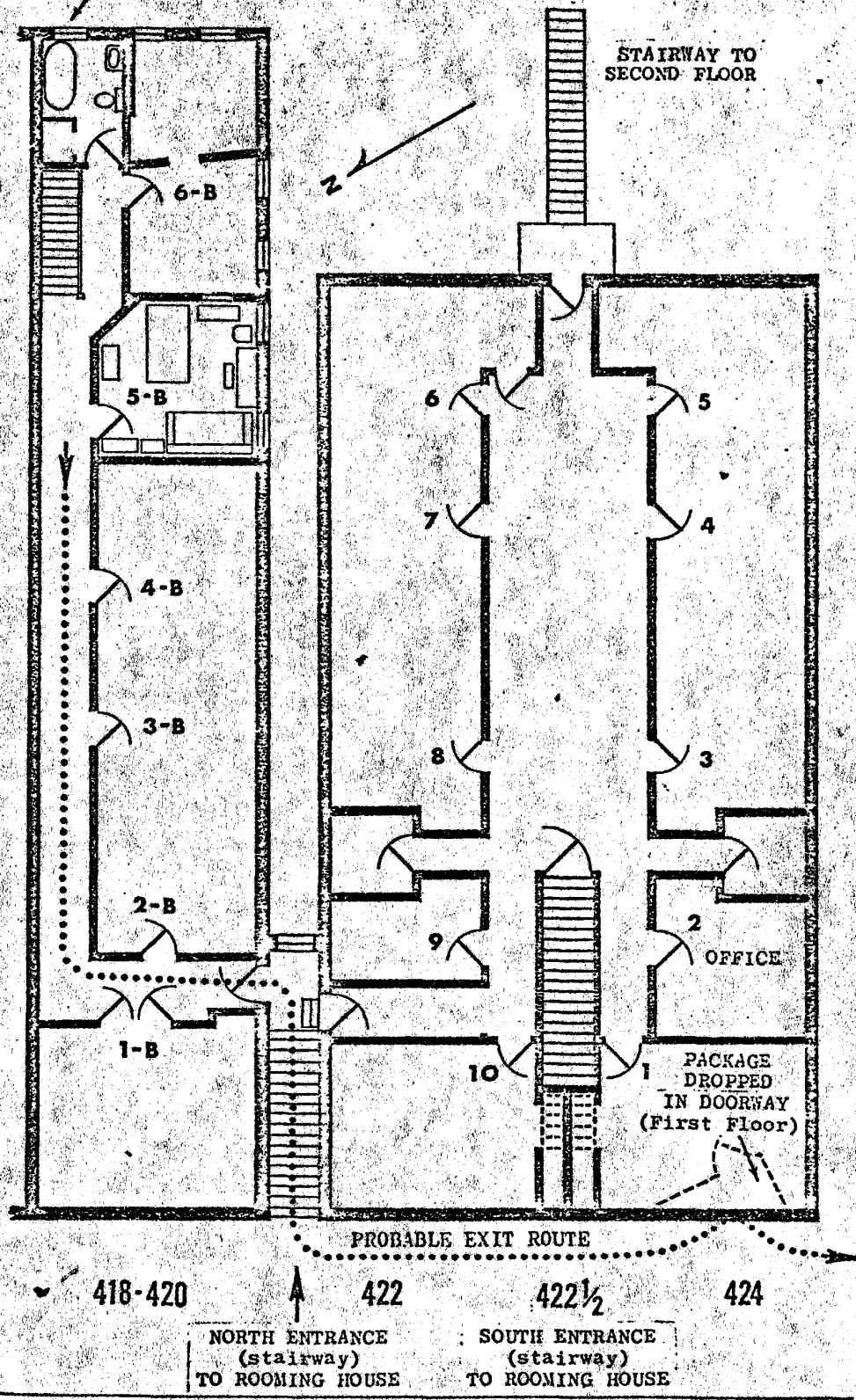


ITEM 5

SECOND FLOOR PLAN of ROOMING HOUSE

BATHROOM WINDOW
FROM WHERE
SHOT WAS FIRED

STAIRWAY TO
SECOND FLOOR



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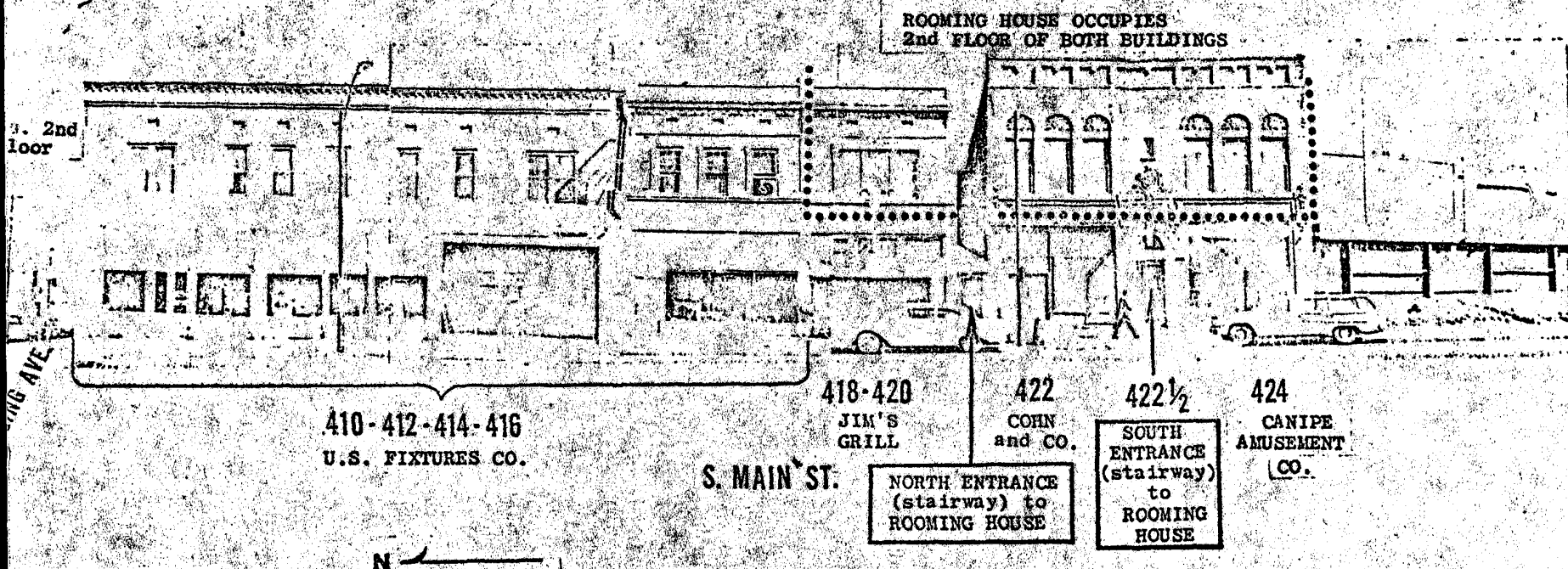
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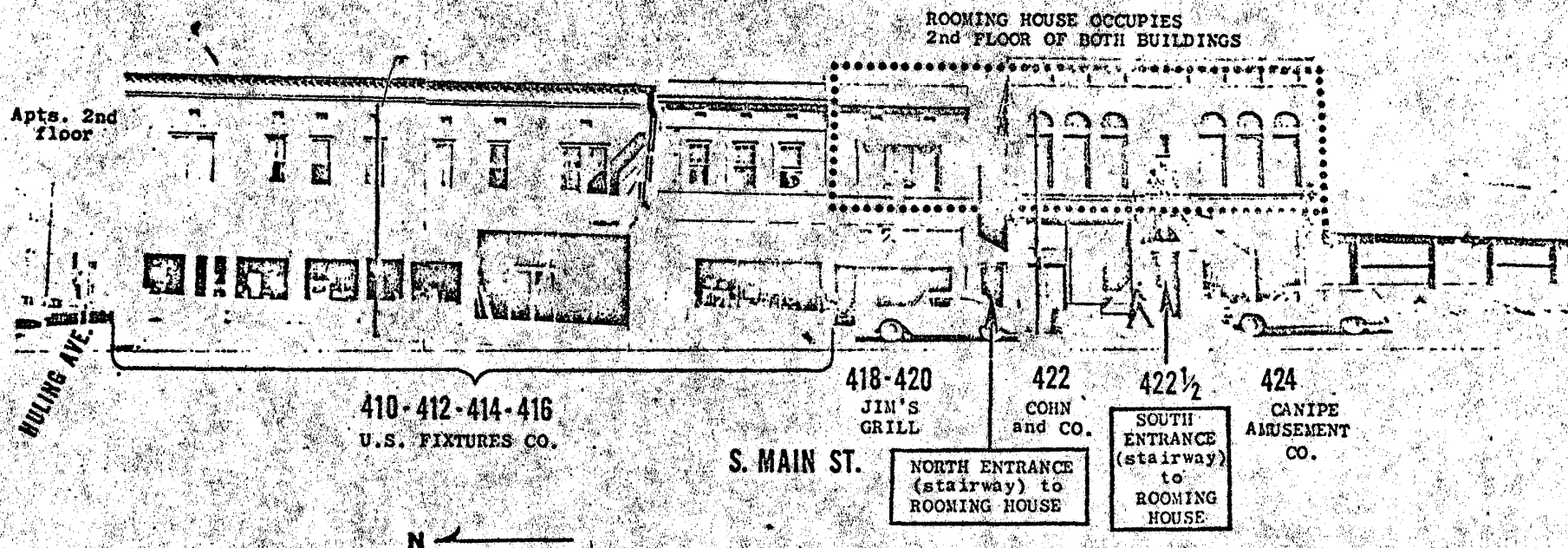
NORTH ENTRANCE
(stairway)
TO ROOMING HOUSE

SOUTH ENTRANCE
(stairway)
TO ROOMING HOUSE

S. MAIN ST.



COMPOSITE PHOTO of
410-424 S. MAIN ST.



COMPOSITE PHOTO of
410-424 S. MAIN ST.



MUMFORD #1, MEMPHIS



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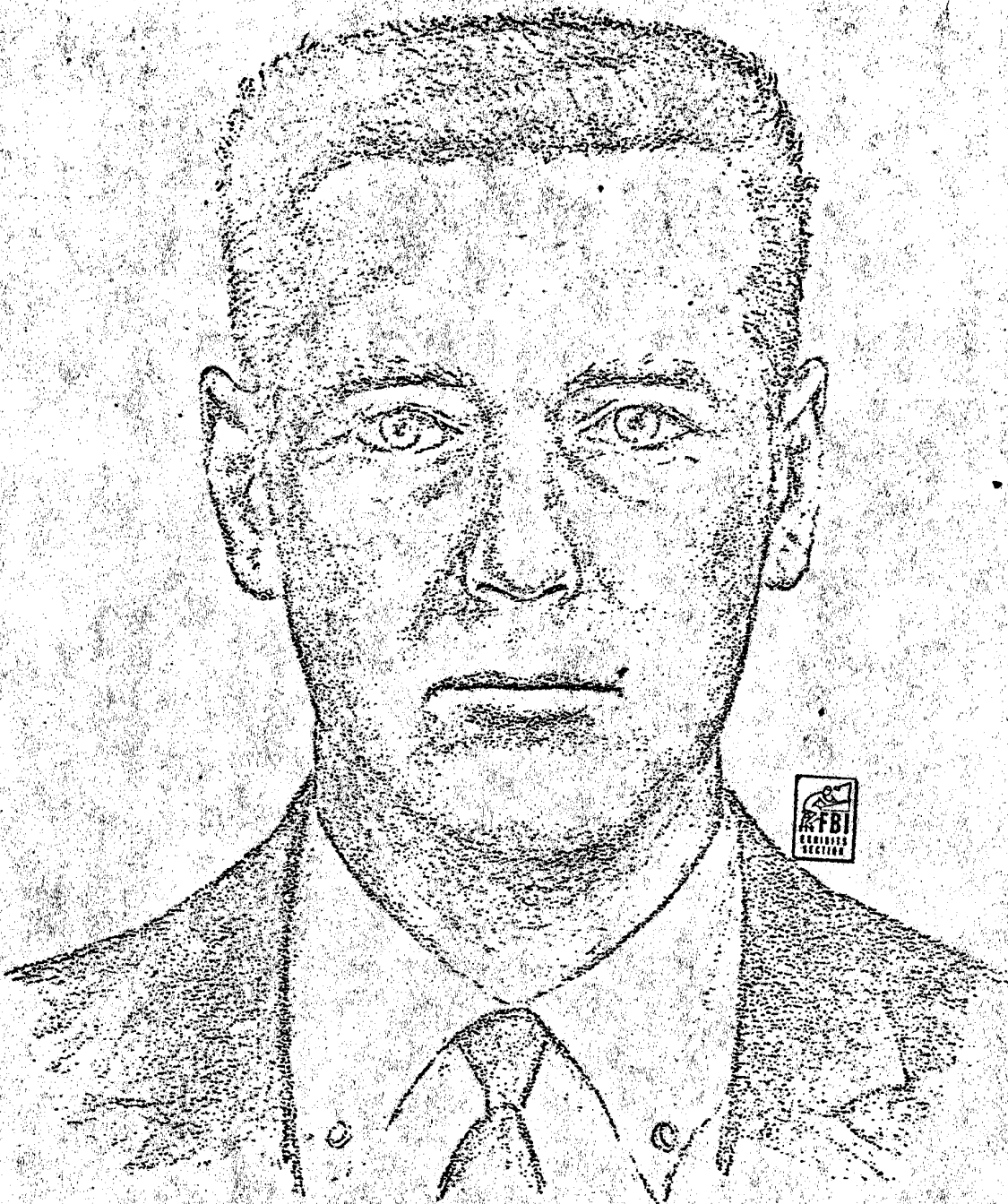
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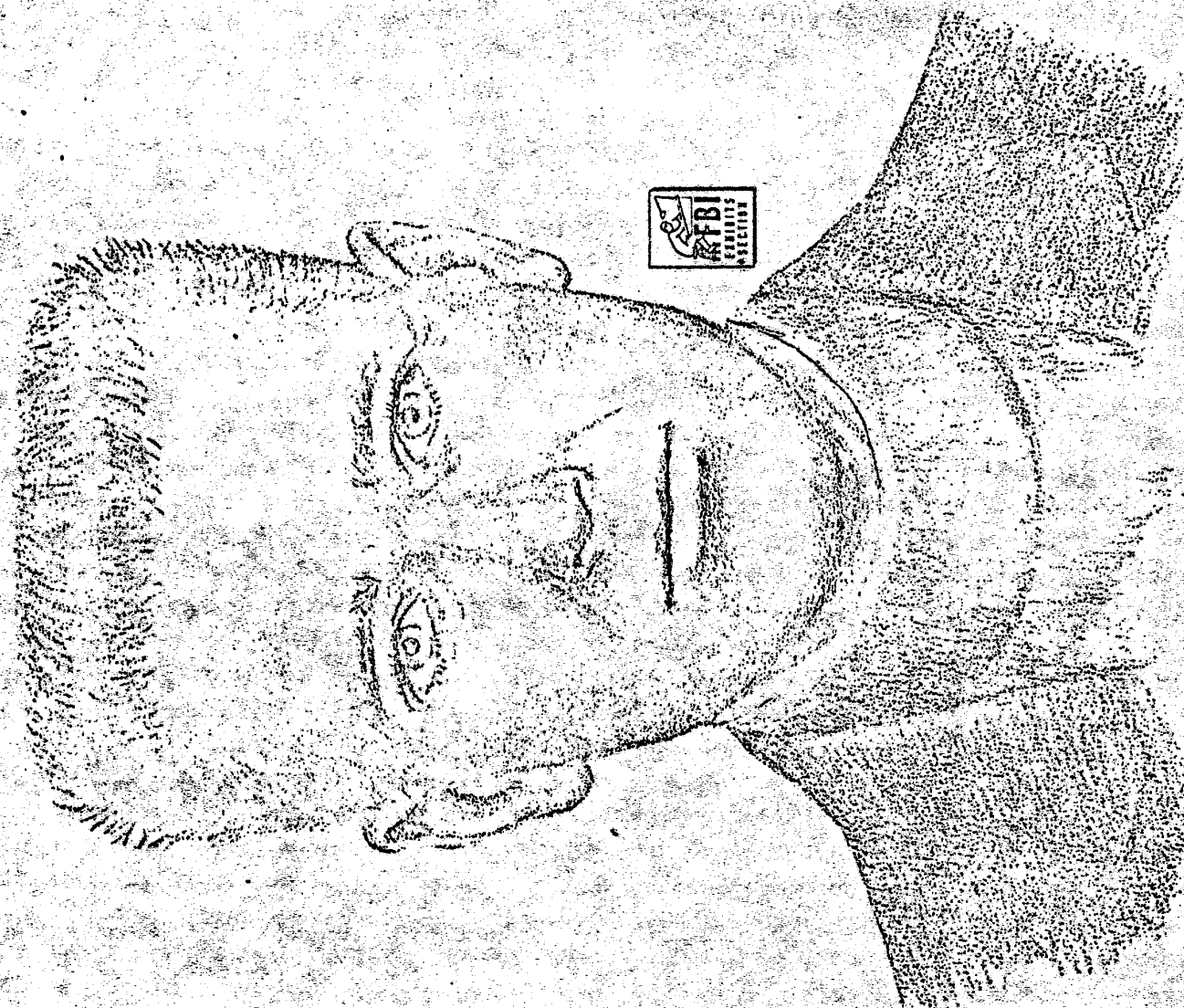






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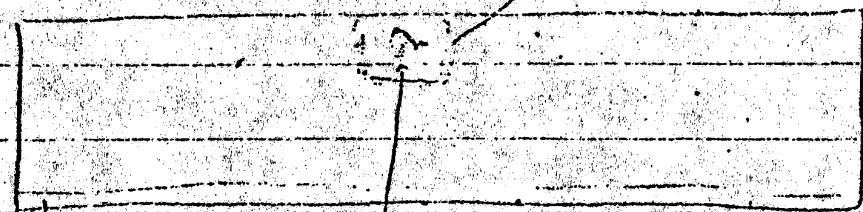
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4/7/68
12:11

Rec'd by from 4/6/68

T shirt
shorts

Board from window sill



No gun powder
particles found

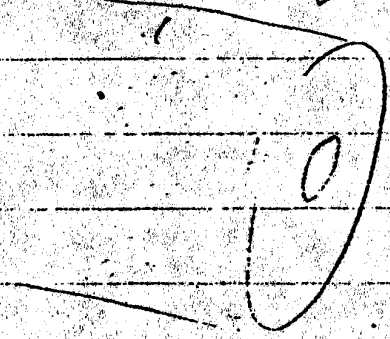
Inside. For

Emergency
Poss. ink from side of
gun magazine
Two Exam. mks for ident

density, chips, white paint
Prob.

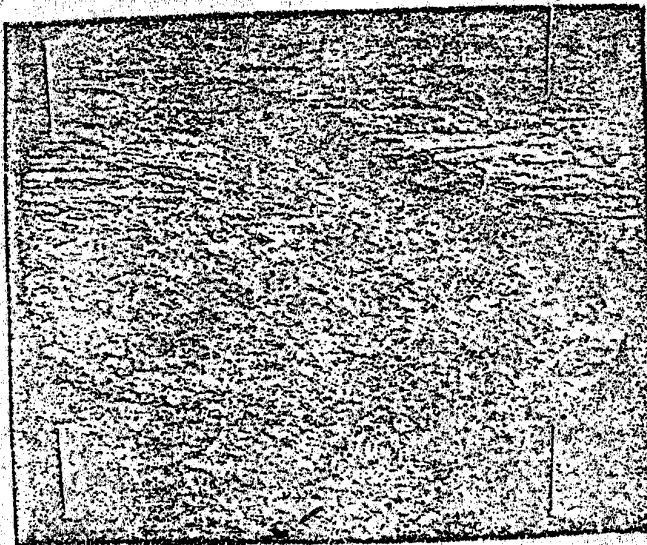
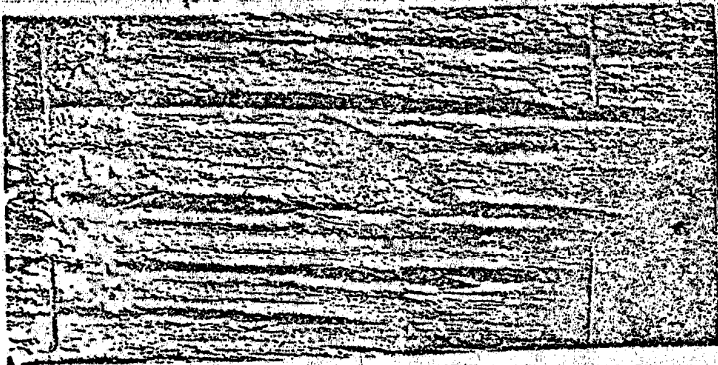
but type to machine

mark on side of & 2 markings = center, polished



Mks. not prod. by ^{Q16} ~~the~~ hammer shown by samples (PC 5478 B3) - ^{Q16} ~~the~~
Photo of 11 mks on board 1st PM 4/7/68 / R in attached

Board to by carrier 4/7/68





FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis

Re: MURKIN

Date: April 19, 1968

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

Specimens received 4/12/68 when personally delivered by
SA from FBI, Atlanta

ITEMS FROM 1966 FORD MUSTANG:

- Q99 Floor mat from right front floor
- Q100 Floor mat from rear floor
- Q91 Floor mat from left front floor
- Q92 Floor mat from trunk
- Q93 Air filter cartridge
- Q94 Wheel jack from trunk
- Q95 Dark blue short-sleeved sweat shirt
- Q96 One rubber sandal, size 7-8½
- Q97 One white fitted sheet
- Q98 One black and white shirt jacket
- Q99 One pillowcase
- Q100 One fitted sheet with yellow thread
- Q101 One black sport shirt
- Q102 One pair of size 34 walking shorts
- Q103 Rug from trunk
- Q104 Pillow from trunk
- Q105 Styrofoam container from trunk
- Q106 One pair of men's brown socks from trunk
- Q107 One hunting knife and sheath
- Q108 Spare tire mounting from trunk
- Q109 Lug wrench from trunk
- Q110 Blue-handled screwdriver from trunk
- Q111 Used windshield wiper blade from trunk
- Q112 One Personna razor blade
- Q113 Soil sample from spare wheel and tire
- Q114 Vacuum sweepings from front passenger side floor
- Q115 Vacuum sweepings from left front floor
- Q116 Vacuum sweepings from rear floor
- Q117 Vacuum sweepings from trunk

Specimens received 4/12/68 when personally delivered by
FBI, Atlanta

Q140 Soil from right fender well
Q141 Soil from right front wheel
Q142 Soil from right rear wheel
Q143 Soil from right rear fender well
Q147 Police from lower part of left fender
Q148 Soil from left front wheel
Q149 Soil from left rear wheel
Q150 Scrapings from front left tire tread
Q151 Soil from underneath body in front of differential
Q152 Soil from differential
Q153 Soil from front of exhaust pipe
Q154 Soil from underneath body in front section
Q155 Soil from left fender well
Q156 Soil from left rear fender well
Q157 Scrapings from left rear tire tread
Q158 Scrapings from tread of right rear tire
Q159 Scrapings from under glove compartment
Q160 Scrapings from tire tread, right front tire
Q161 Scrapings from front part of engine
Q162 Water from windshield washer bag
Q163 Spare tire and wheel from trunk

Specimen received 4/16/68 from FBI, Memphis

WANTED BY FBI

CIVIL RIGHTS - CONSPIRACY
INTERSTATE FLIGHT - ROBBERY
JAMES EARL RAY

FBI No. 405,942 G



Photographs taken 1960

Photograph taken 1968
(eyes drawn by artist)

Aliases: Eric Starvo Galt, W. C. Herron, Harvey Lowmyer, James McBride, James O'Conner, James Walton, James Walyon, John Willard, "Jim,"

DESCRIPTION

Age:	40, born March 10, 1928, at Quincy or Alton, Illinois (not supported by birth records)	Eyes:	Blue
Height:	5' 10"	Complexion:	Medium
Weight:	163 to 174 pounds	Race:	White
Build:	Medium	Nationality:	American
Hair:	Brown, possibly cut short		
Occupations:	Baker, color matcher, laborer		
Scars and Marks:	Small scar on center of forehead and small scar on palm of right hand		
Remarks:	Noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly is a lone wolf; allegedly attended dance instruction school; has reportedly completed course in bartending.		

Fingerprint Classification: 16 M 9 U 000 12

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CRIMINAL RECORD

Ray has been convicted of burglary, robbery, forging U. S. Postal Money Orders, armed robbery, and operating motor vehicle without owner's consent.

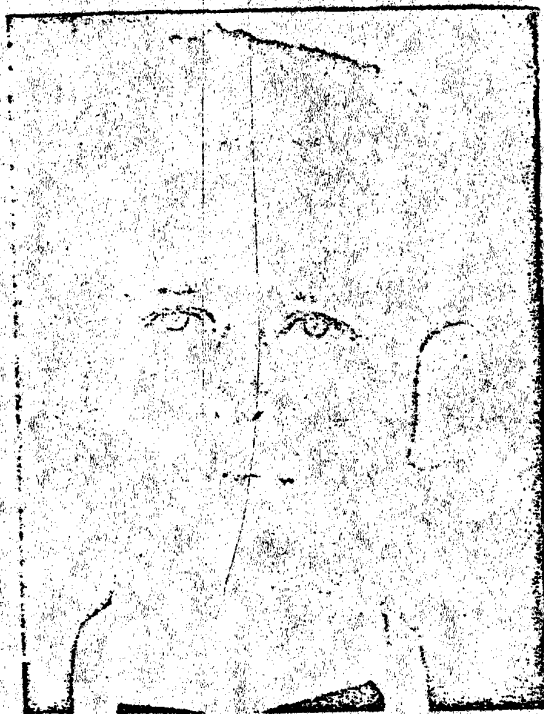
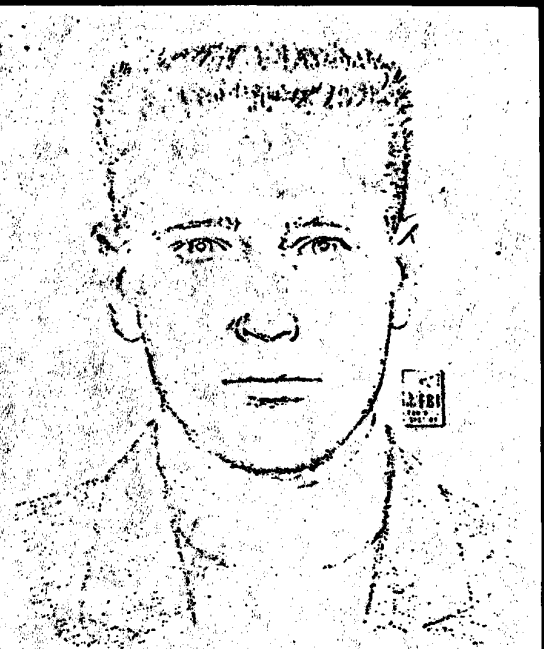
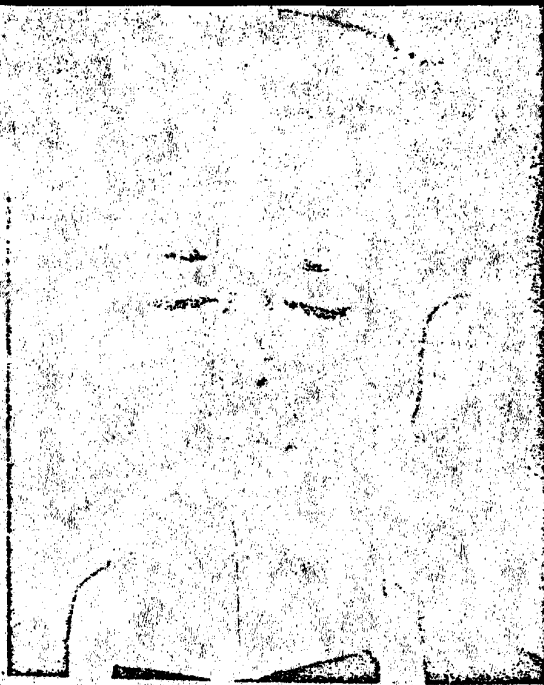
CAUTION

RAY IS SOUGHT IN CONNECTION WITH A MURDER WHEREIN THE VICTIM WAS SHOT. CONSIDER ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

A Federal warrant was issued on April 17, 1968, at Birmingham, Alabama, charging Ray as Eric Starvo Galt with conspiring to interfere with a Constitutional Right of a citizen (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 241). A Federal warrant was also issued on July 20, 1967, at Jefferson City, Missouri, charging Ray with Interstate Flight to Avoid Confinement for the crime of Robbery (Title 18, U. S. Code, Section 1073).

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PERSON, PLEASE NOTIFY ME OR CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OFFICE. TELEPHONE NUMBERS AND ADDRESSES OF ALL FBI OFFICES LISTED ON BAC.

J. Edgar Hoover
DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE







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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

Re: UNSUB, aka
John Willard;
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. -
VICTIM
CR

File #
Lab. #

EXPEDITE

Examination requested by: FBI, Memphis (44-1987) Airtel 4-4-68

Examination requested: Firearms(GT)
Spectro.

Date received: 4-8-68

Result of Examination:

Examination by: acry

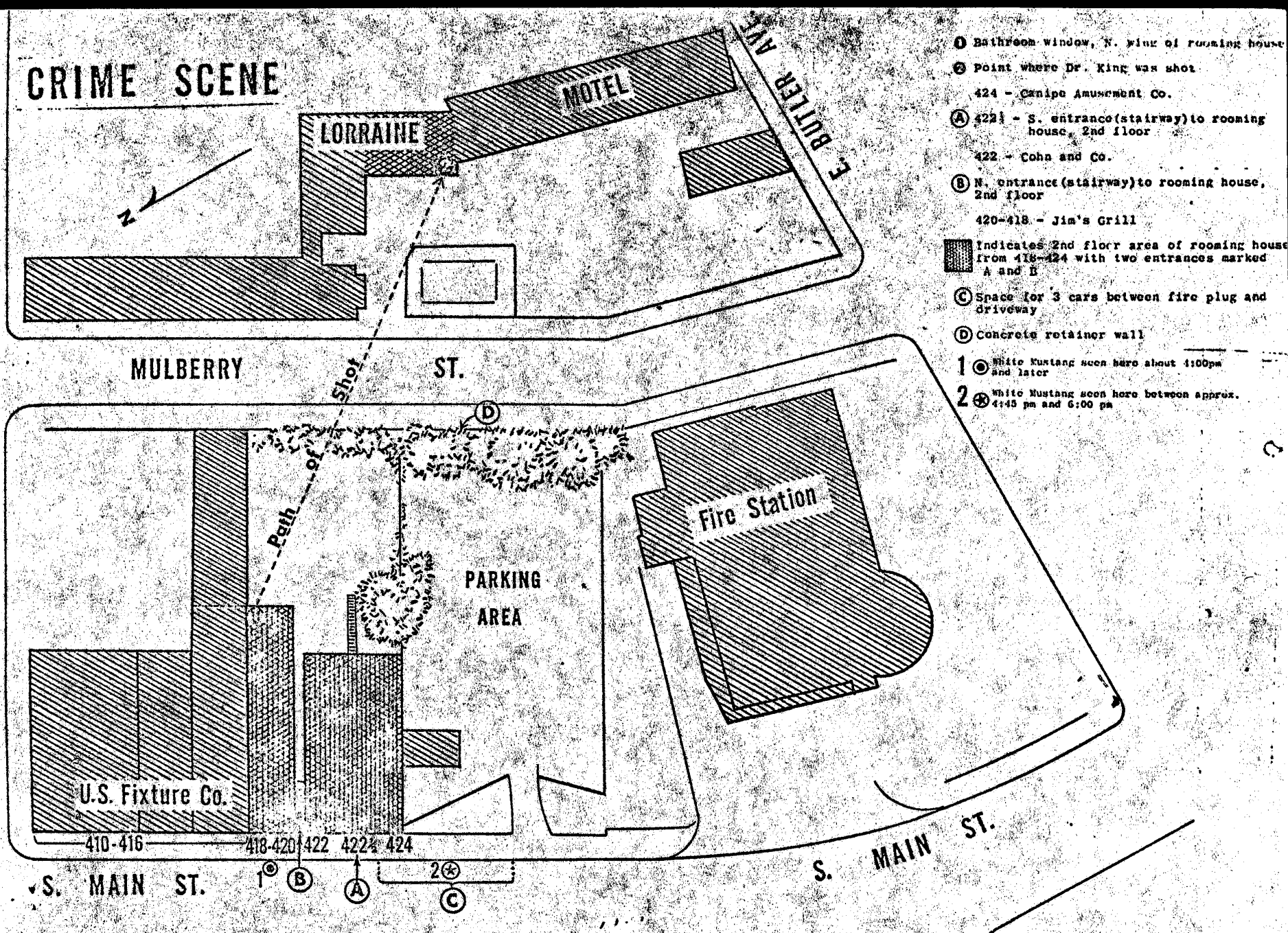
Specimens submitted for examination

CLOTHING FROM MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

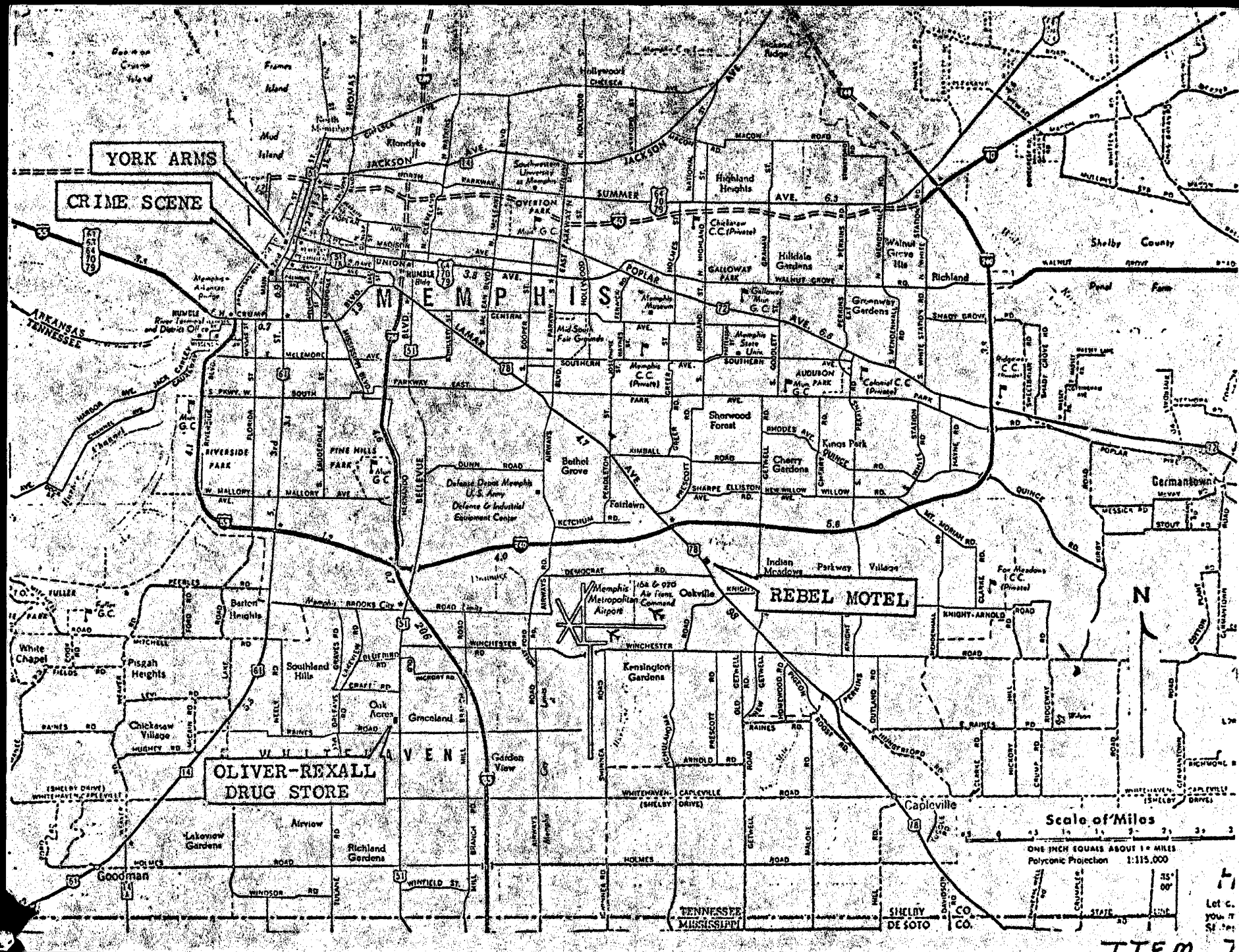
Q76 Shirt
Q77 Necktie
Q78 Suit jacket
Q79 Trousers
Q80-Q81 Pair of socks
Q82 Undershorts
Q83 Undershirt
Q84-Q85 Pair of shoes

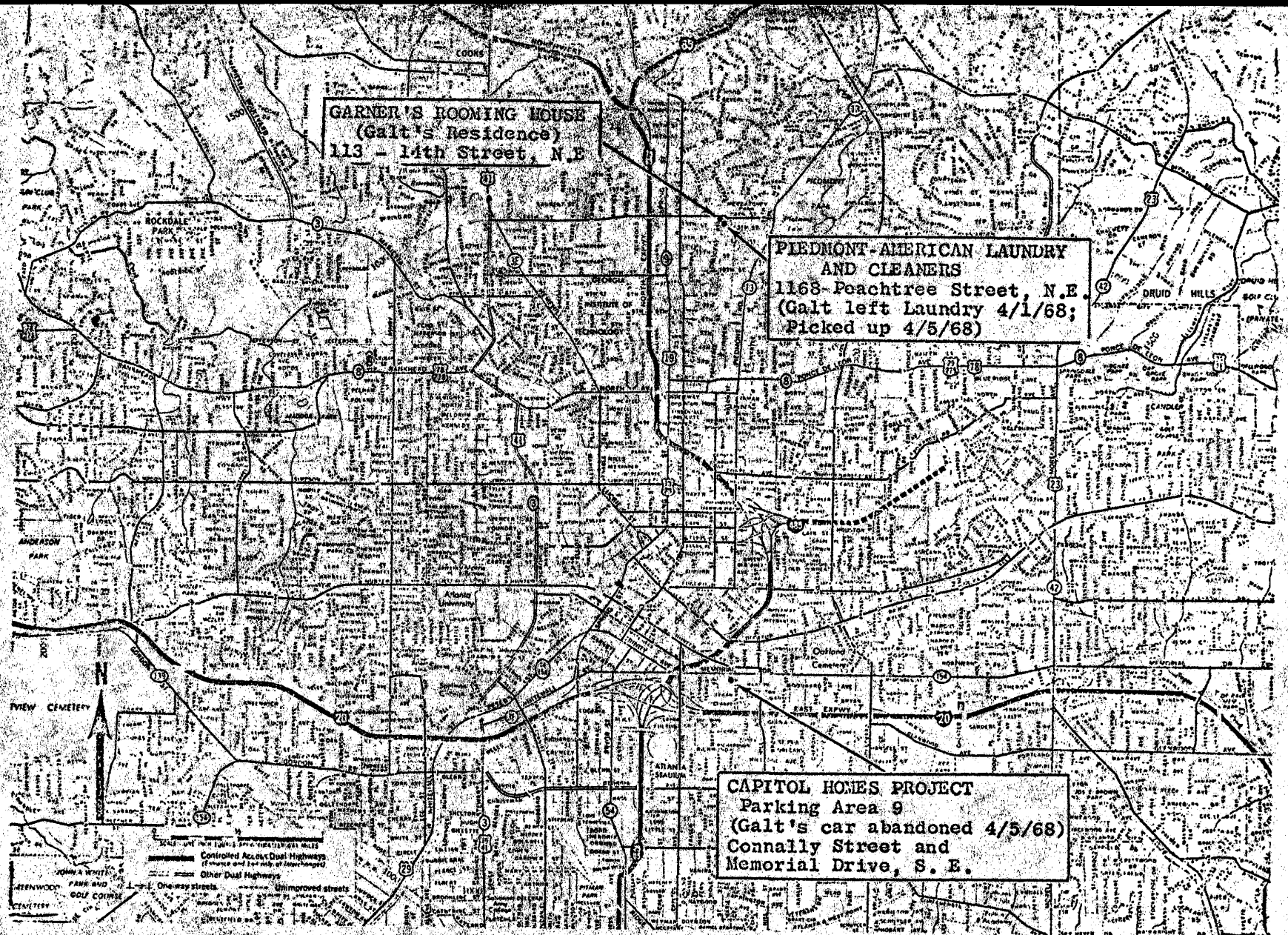
The edges of the hole torn in the Q76 shirt collar, the edges of the three tears on the collar of the Q76 suit jacket and the material near the torn ends of the K77 necktie were contaminated with traces of lead which could have come from a bullet or ^{from bullet fragments.} The lead contaminating these items could not be associated with a particular bullet or lead source.

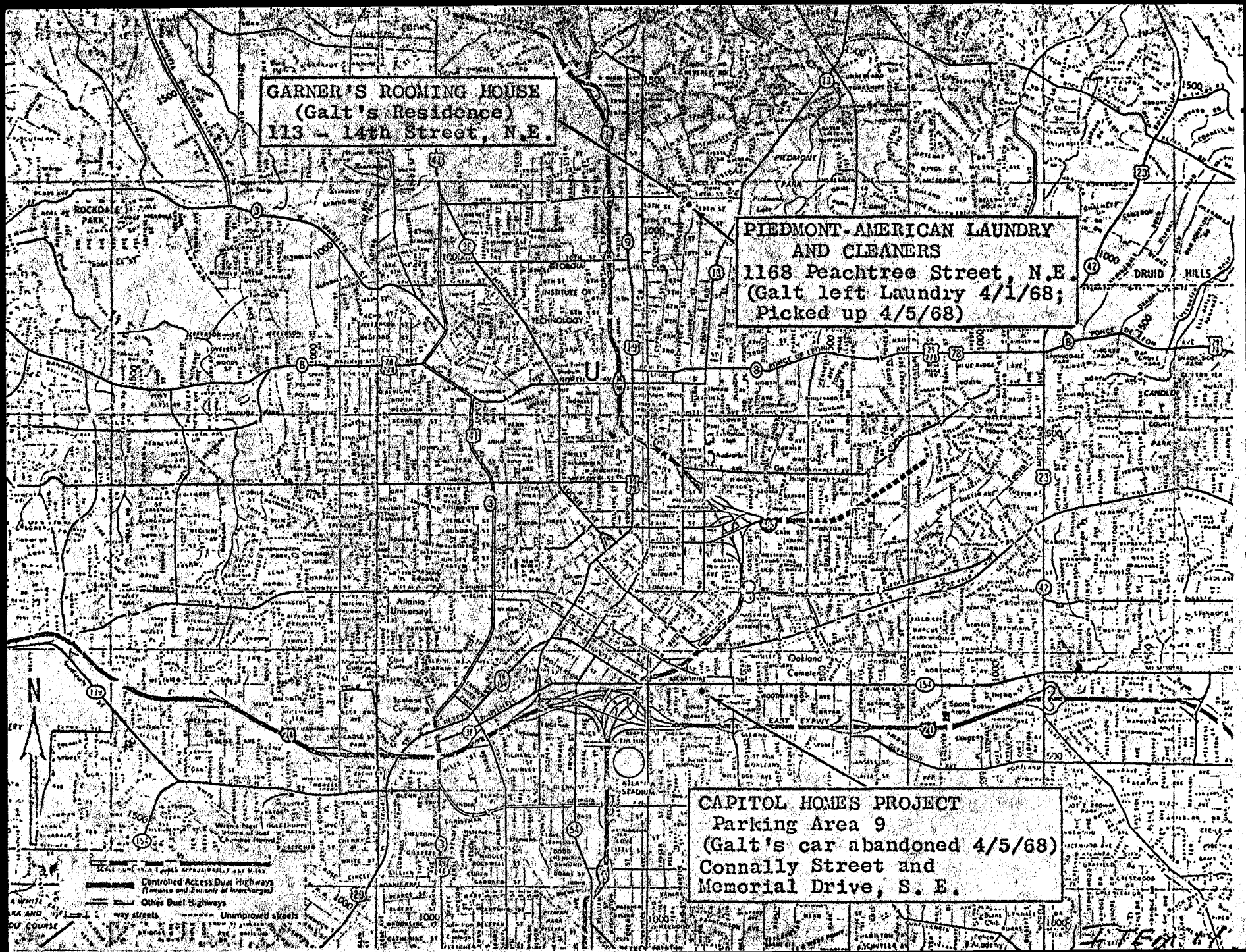
CRIME SCENE







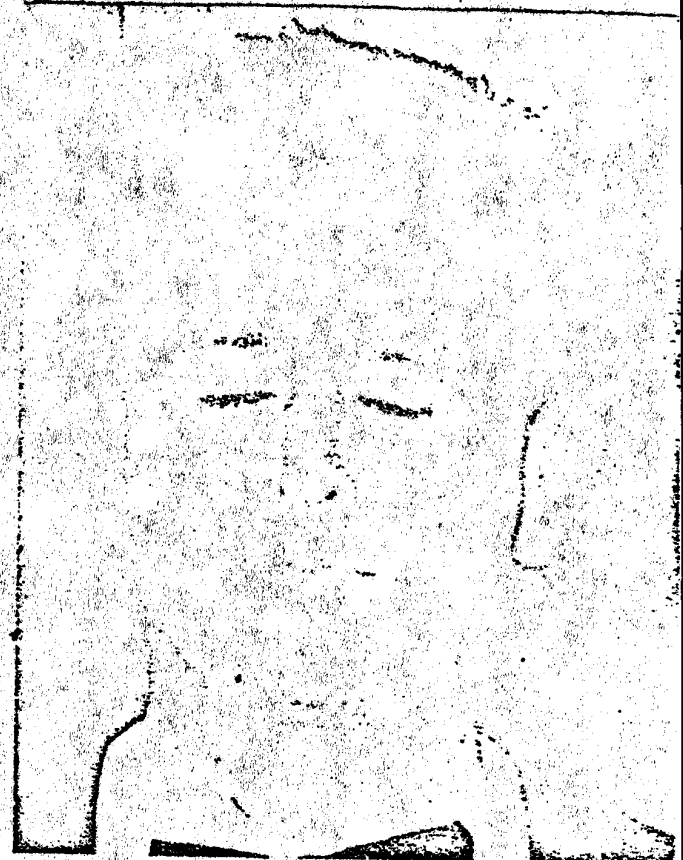


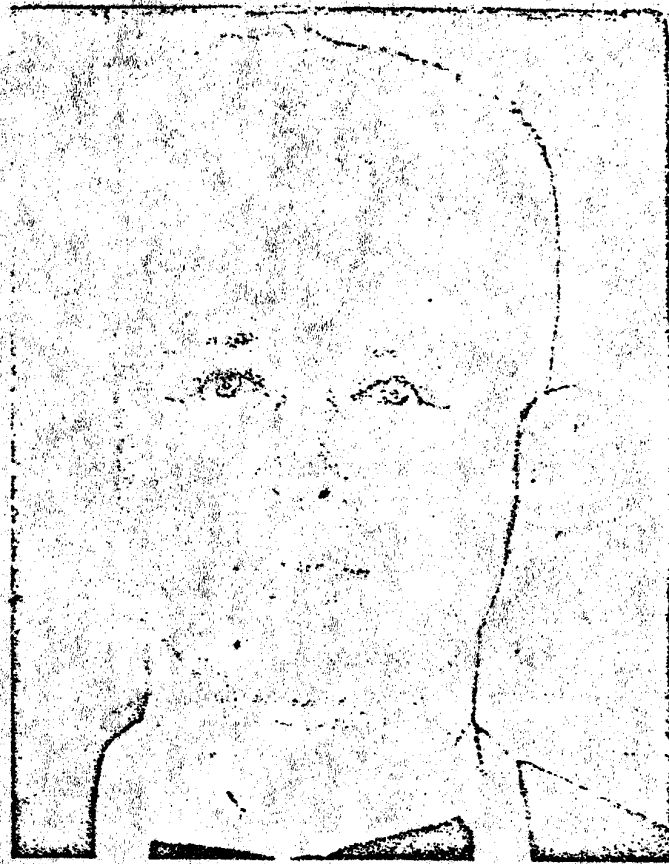
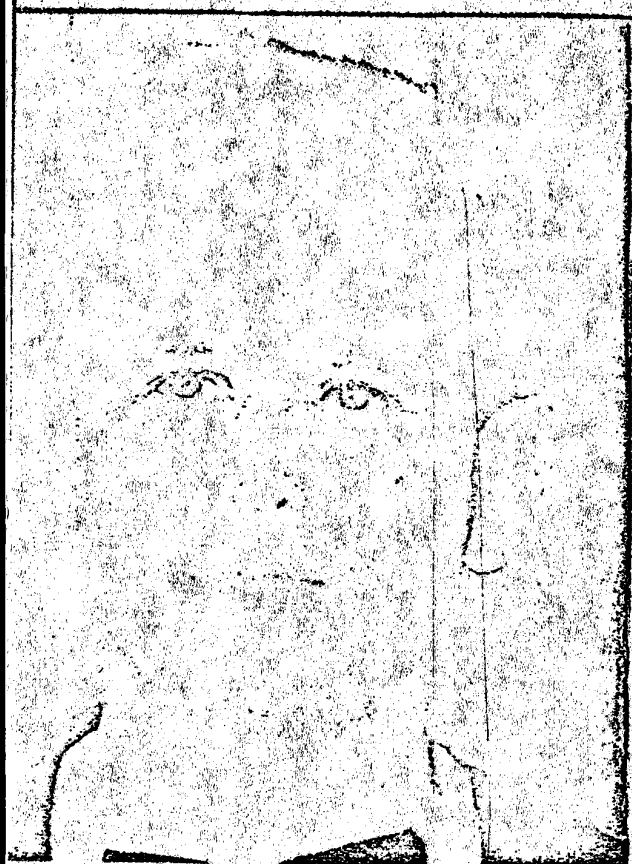


GARNER'S ROOMING HOUSE
(Galt's Residence)
113 - 14th Street, N.E.

PIEDMONT-AMERICAN LAUNDRY
AND CLEANERS
1168 Peachtree Street, N.E.
(Galt left Laundry 4/1/68;
Picked up 4/5/68)

CAPITOL HOMES PROJECT
Parking Area 9
(Galt's car abandoned 4/5/68)
Connally Street and
Memorial Drive, S. E.







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Description of subject
from Memphis

White

Male

5'11"

160 - 170 lbs.

Medium Build

Dark brown or black hair;
combed straight back, no part.



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

To: FBI, Memphis

Date: April 11, 1968

Re: MURKIN

FBI File No.

Lab. No.

Specimens received: personally delivered on 4-8-68 by SA
Memphis

Q69 Undershorts

Q70 T shirt

Q71 Board from windowsill in bathroom

Results of examination:

The undershorts and the T shirt each bears a laundry tag with what appears to be the characters "02B-6." Only a portion of the first character is present on each tag. The Laboratory does not maintain a file of visible laundry marks. No invisible laundry marks were found on the undershorts or T shirt.

The pair of undershorts is small in size while the T shirt is large.

The pair of undershorts does not have a brand label. The T shirt has a "JOCKEY" brand label.

The T shirt label is held flat with a folded piece of 3/4" wide cellophane tape. The piece of tape is about 1" long. One end has been cut, and the other end has been torn.

The crotch seams of the undershorts have been repaired in two places with brown thread. The repaired areas are hand stitched.

No hairs were found on the undershorts or T shirt.

The Q71 board bears a recent dent which could have been produced by a light blow from the muzzle of a weapon such as the Remington rifle, Serial Number 461476

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

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