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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 6/4/68

Mr. HARRY F. LUECKENHOFF, Acting Manager, GORDON SOUND SYSTEM, Jefferson City, Missouri, said no serial numbers were maintained on items sold to the Missouri State Penitentiary, including 34 Channel Master Model 6502. He said the serial number is located in back of the knob on a piece of paper and is actually the final inspection number and is easily removed.

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Mr. PAUL STUEDER, Manager, SHOW-ME ELECTRONICS, INC., 609 Jefferson, Jefferson City, Missouri, advised he supplies items to GORDON SOUND SYSTEM. He said no serial numbers are maintained on items supplied to the retailer, including Model 6502 Channel Master transistor radios.

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Mr. HUGH DALLAS, Business Manager, Missouri State Penitentiary, advised his office handles the purchase of radios for the inmates' canteen. He said no serial numbers are maintained by his office, but on occasion, are furnished by the supplier. He examined his books and said the penitentiary purchased 48 Model 6502 Channel Master radios on September 7, 1968, from Central Missouri Distributing Company, Jefferson City, Missouri, for \$350.40, and the serial numbers are reflected thereon. He said ten of this same model and make were purchased from Gordon Sound System on August 16, 1966, for \$73.00, and no serial numbers are given. The last purchase of this radio was on October 29, 1968, from Gordon Sound System, Jefferson City, Missouri, of 24 radios with a sale price of \$175.20, and no serial numbers are indicated. He said there was no means, through his records, of establishing the serial numbers.

Mr. DALLAS said the inmates have never been furnished with Pepsodent tooth brushes, but could purchase same at the canteen. He said they are not allowed to have such items as "Right Guard."

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Central Missouri Distributing Co.

RADIO, TELEVISION & ELECTRONIC PARTS - BATTERIES

Phone 636-3149 — 324 EAST CAPITOL AVENUE

P.O. BOX 838 — JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

Phone 442-4909 — 120 SO. EIGHTH ST.

P.O. BOX 862 — COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

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SOLD TO

Mo. Stat. Prison

SHIPPED TO

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Inmates Canteen

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YOUR ORDER NO.

PACKED BY

AMOUNT
BROUGHT FWD

BACK ORDERED	Quantity Ordered	Shipped	Delivered	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE		
	48	48		6502 C.M. Radios	7.30	350.40	
				Serial # 186968 Serial # 186943 Serial # 386373			
				186947 187078 386353			
				187080 186945 386377			
				187002 186941 386375			
				186944 187077 386372			
				187098 186963 386477			
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				186948 187096 386371			
				187206 386469 386358			
				186946 386386 386356			
				186942 386475 386392			
				187079 386351 386357			
				187070 386353 386374			
				186962 386355 386354			
				187097 386391 386378			
				186966 386321 386316		350.40	

NO MERCHANDISE RETURNED WITHOUT OUR PERMISSION
PAST DUE ACCOUNTS SUBJECT TO SERVICE CHARGE

Postage & Ins.

TOTAL

350.40

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INVOICE
GORDON SOUND SYSTEM
113 W. HIGH ST. — TELEPHONE 636-7251
JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI 65101

SOLD TO Missouri State Penitentiary

Prison Canteen Fund

Jefferson City, Missouri

DATE OF ORDER

DATE SHIPPED 8/16/66

INVOICE NO. 57696

YOUR ORDER NO.

TERMS

COMMERCIAL PRINTING CO.

QUANTITY		DESCRIPTION	PRICE	EXTENSION	TOTAL
SHIPPED	ORDERED				
	10	#6502 Channel Master Radios	7.30		73.00

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INVOICE
GORDON SOUND SYSTEM113 W. HIGH ST. — TELEPHONE 636-7281
JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI 65101SOLD TO Prison CanteenJefferson City, Mo.DATE OF ORDER 10/29/66

DATE SHIPPED _____

INVOICE NO. 58133YOUR ORDER NO. 3809

TERMS _____

COMMERCIAL PRINTING CO.

QUANTITY		DESCRIPTION	PRICE	EXTENSION	TOTAL
SHIPPED	ORDERED				
	24	#6502 ChannelMaster Radios	7.50	175.20	175.20

DIVISION _____

ORDER NO. _____

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Date 6/4/681

Mr. JAMES SCHULTE, Manager, Inmate's Canteen, Missouri State Penitentiary, advised when a radio is purchased by an inmate, his number is etched on the radio and a slip is given the Treasurer's office to code in the purchase on his account, so that he will not buy any more radios. He said he was not employed at the canteen in April of 1967. He said C. R. LUCKE has been there since July of 1966, and TOM ROBERTS has been employed for about eight years. He said PAT HACKER was in charge in April of 1967. He said that normally one of the civilians does the etching; however, on occasion the inmates have done this. He said the inmates who were employed were GUS LYONS and AL PRASON.

He said the canteen has had only one etching device since the sale of radios was permitted about 1966. He said this is a VIBRO-GRAVER, Burgess Vibro-Crafters, Grayslake, Illinois, Model V-73. He said it has no serial number.

He said no serial numbers are maintained on radios sold by the canteen. He said the canteen still has ten or eleven Channel Master Model 6502s. He said this is the only radio which has ever been sold to inmates for \$9.75 each. He said no new orders for this radio have been made since about 1966 or the first of 1967.

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Mr. TOM ROBERTS, Schott Road, a patient at the Memorial Community Hospital, furnished the following information:

He is employed in the Inmate Canteen at the Missouri State Penitentiary. Sometimes he engraves an inmate's number on transistor radio purchased by the inmate. He was so employed during April 1967.

Mr. ROBERTS used a "Vibro-Graver" identified as the one in use at the Inmate Canteen during 1967 to engrave the number "00416" on the top of a "Channel Master" transistor radio case in an area marked #4 and with the initials "TR."

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AL PHASON, Register #10499, Missouri State Penitentiary, furnished the following information:

He has in the past worked in the Inmate Canteen at the Penitentiary where he sometimes engraved inmate's numbers on transistor radios purchased by the inmates. He was so employed during 1967.

PHASON used a new electric engraver furnished him to engrave the number "00416" on the back of a "Channel Master" transistor radio case in an area marked #2 and marked with the initials "AP."

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Mr. CLARENCE R. LUCKE, Storekeeper, Inmate Canteen, Missouri State Penitentiary, furnished the following information:

He was working in this canteen in April 1967. He often engraved inmates' register numbers on transistor radios purchased in the canteen by the inmates. He used a Model V-73 "Vibro-Graver" of the Burgess Vibrocrafters, Inc., to do the engraving.

Mr. LUCKE furnished for the use of the Federal Bureau of Investigation the "Vibro-Graver" used in the inmate canteen. He initialed the "Vibro-Graver" as the one which has been in use here since he came to the inmate canteen in July 1966. He is positive that the bit on the engraver now is the same bit which was on the engraver when he came here in 1966.

Mr. LUCKE used another engraver furnished him to engrave the number "00416" on the back of a "Channel Master" transistor radio case in an area marked #1, and marked with the initials "CRL."

The only persons he knows of who might have placed an inmate's number on a transistor radio purchased in the canteen in about April 1967, would have been himself, Mr. PAT RACKERS, since resigned, Mr. TOM ROBERTS, civilian employee presently confined in Memorial Community Hospital in Jefferson City, and two inmates who worked then in the canteen, AL PHASON and GUS LYONS.

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GUS LYONS, Register #01696, Missouri State Penitentiary, furnished the following information:

He has in the past used the electric engraver in the Inmate Canteen at the Penitentiary to engrave an inmate's number on a transistor radio purchased by the inmate. He could have made some number engravings on radios in 1967.

LYONS used a new electric engraver furnished him to engrave the number "00416" on the back side of a "Channel Master" transistor radio case in an area marked #3 and marked with the initials "GL."

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Mr. PATRICK D. RACKERS, P.O. Box 2019, who is employed as an auditor for the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, from the Auditing Department, Kelly Springfield Tire Company, Box 300, Cumberland, Maryland, furnished the following information:

He was in charge of the Inmate Canteen at the Missouri State Penitentiary in April 1967. When inmates purchased radios at the canteen, the inmate's register number was engraved on the radio, usually by the civilian personnel employed at the canteen, with an electric engraving device known as a "Vibro-Graver." The employee who usually handled the engraving operation was Mr. CLARENCE R. LUCKE; however, it is possible that inmates employed in the canteen at that time, AL PHASON and GUS LYONS, or himself, or another civilian employee, TOM ROBERTS, would have done engraving on radios purchased by inmates. He knows of no other persons who would have done any engraving.

Mr. RACKERS used the "Vibro-Graver" obtained from the Missouri State Penitentiary Inmate Canteen on May 29, 1968, to engrave the number "00416" on the top of a "Channel Master" transistor radio case in an area designated #5 with the initials "P.R."

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BARBARA GRIFFIN, ex-teller, Columbia National Bank, now living at 4521 Madison, was shown the pictures of the following individuals;

LEO ANTHONY VECCHIO;

CHESTER EUGENE JAMES;

JAMES EARL RAY;

JACK HENRY CALLISON;

ROY LEE BENT;

NICHOLAS LOUIS SPENGO.

GRIFFIN advised that the picture of **CHESTER EUGENE JAMES** closely resembled the unknown subject that robbed the Columbia National Bank on June 14, 1967.

She said that the special characteristics closely resembled that of the unknown subject.

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MARJORIE KUTSOWSKI, Secretary, Columbia National Bank, 914 Walnut, was shown the pictures of the following individuals:

LEO ANTHONY VECCHIO;

CHRISTOPHER RICHARD JAMES;

JAMES EARL RAY;

JACK RUSSET GALLINER;

ROY LEE KEND;

NICHOLAS LOUIS GUERRO.

KUTSOWSKI said that neither of the pictures resembled the individual that she saw on the date of the bank robbery, June 14, 1967.

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VIOLA CARTWELL, Teller, Columbia National Bank,
814 Walnut, was shown the pictures of the following
individuals:

LEO ARTHUR VICARIO;
CHARLES HUGHES JAMES;
JAMES EARL RAY;
JACK BERRY GALLISON;
ROY LEE KEMP;
NICHOLAS LOUIS SPURGE.

After viewing the pictures, **CARTWELL** said that the
picture of **CHARLES HUGHES JAMES** closely resembled the unknown
subject that walked the bank on June 14, 1967. She said
the general characteristics of **JAMES** were similar to the
unknown subject.

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The following investigation was conducted
by SA HAYES H. BURLESON on June 13, 1968:

At McAlester, Oklahoma

A review of the files of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary (OSP), revealed that JOSEPH SEIBERT, OSP #76649, was received on February 17, 1968, from Tulsa County, Oklahoma, and sentenced to a term of 150 years for the crime of Robbery with Firearms, after former conviction of a felony. His minimum release date is shown as February 20, 2040, and his maximum release date is shown as February 17, 2118. A review of the FBI Identification Record of JOSEPH SEIBERT, FBI #74 262 C, revealed that he was received at the Department of Corrections, Jefferson City, Missouri, on October 2, 1964, under #09111, and charged with Murder, 1ST Degree. He was sentenced for the remainder of his natural life. The next item shown on SEIBERT's Identification Record is October 26, 1967, when he was arrested by the Sheriff's Office, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and charged with Armed Robbery and Assault and Battery with a Deadly Weapon. The next item on SEIBERT's Identification Record is shown as November 17, 1967, when he was fingerprinted as a patient at Eastern State Hospital, Vinita, Oklahoma. The final entry on SEIBERT's Identification Record is February 17, 1968, when he was received at Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Oklahoma, sentenced to a term of 150 years, for Robbery, with Firearms.

During an interview with JOSEPH SEIBERT he admitted a casual acquaintance with JAMES EARL RAY while both were inmates at the Missouri State Penitentiary. He stated that RAY was an inmate at Missouri State Penitentiary when SEIBERT arrived there on October 2, 1964.

SEIBERT stated that he worked in the Mess Hall at Missouri State Penitentiary while JAMES EARL RAY worked in the bakery which joins the Mess Hall. SEIBERT said that he occasionally visited with RAY from time to time while they were working and also on the prison yard.

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However, SEIBERT maintained that he would not consider himself a personal friend of RAY.

SEIBERT said that on March 11, 1966, he planned to escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary. He said that he learned later that RAY had planned to escape on the same night, and their plans were not known to each other. SEIBERT said that he placed a dummy in his cell and went to the recreation room. According to SEIBERT, after the recreation period was over, he hid behind the television set in the recreation room and waited for the lights to be turned out. When the lights were out, he began moving television benches to the prison wall and had planned to go over the wall by means of climbing the television benches. Unknown to SEIBERT at the time, RAY had managed to get onto the roof of the Administration Building, but had fallen and hurt his arm. The prison officials and guards were looking for RAY when they discovered SEIBERT. He said that RAY managed to hide himself in a ventilation shaft in the Officers Dining Room for two or three days before he was discovered.

SEIBERT advised that he could furnish absolutely no information concerning RAY's escape from the Missouri State Penitentiary on April 23, 1967. He said he knew nothing of RAY's escape plan, his source of funds, his associates inside or outside the penitentiary, nor any thing concerning the murder of Dr. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

SEIBERT said that it was his personal opinion that RAY was not intelligent enough to plan the murder of Dr. KING and certainly not intelligent enough to plan an apparent elaborate escape procedure including passports by himself. SEIBERT said that when RAY finally escaped from the Missouri State Penitentiary, he escaped in a bread box from the bakery where he had worked for a long period of time. SEIBERT stated that he had observed that this method of escape would probably be successful after he had been at the penitentiary for only a short period of time.

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SEIBERT stated that he actually escaped from the Jackson County Court House, Kansas City, Missouri, on November 13, 1967. He said that he made his way from Kansas City, Missouri, to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he arrived on November 16, 1967. SEIBERT said that for reasons of possibly incriminating himself in local burglaries, he did not care to state how he traveled from Kansas City, Missouri, to Tulsa, Oklahoma. He claimed that he went to work on November 16, 1967, at the Piccadilly Cafeteria, Tulsa, Oklahoma, under the name JOHN LA MAY. He claimed to have worked at the Piccadilly Cafeteria as a dishwasher until October 26, 1967, when he was arrested at Tulsa, Oklahoma, for Armed Robbery. He said that he stayed at the Grand Hotel on East 3rd Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, during this period of time, also using the name JOHN LA MAY. He claimed to have been in continual custody from October 26, 1967, until the present time. He admitted spending approximately 30 days at the Vinita, Oklahoma Eastern State Hospital.

The following description was obtained from observation, interview, and records of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary:

Name	JOSEPH SEIBERT
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5'11"
Weight	169 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Green
Build	Medium
Complexion	Ruddy
Birth	 Topeka, Kansas
Occupation	Electrician
Education	6th Grade
FBI #	74 262 C
Marital Status	Single
Parents	Deceased
Brothers	WILLIAM SEIBERT, age 40, Topeka, Kansas, exact address unknown;

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Sisters

CLARENCE SEIBERT, age 36,
Topeka, Kansas, exact address
unknown;

JOHN SEIBERT, Topeka, Kansas,
exact address unknown

MARCELLA LEWIS, age 34,
Topeka, Kansas, exact address
unknown;

THERISA ASHLY, age 33, Topeka,
Kansas, exact address unknown;

ROSEMARY KISNER, age 31,
Topeka, Kansas, exact address
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-33861)

FROM: SAC OKLAHOMA CITY (44-686) (P)

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Re Kansas City teletype to the Bureau,
6/12/68.

Enclosed for the Bureau are three (3)
copies, for Kansas City one (1) copy, and for
Memphis fifteen (15) copies of an insert reflecting
investigation conducted at McAlester, Oklahoma.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), AND KANSAS CITY (44-760)
FROM MEMPHIS (44-1987) (1P)

MURKIN.

RE MINNEAPOLIS TELETYPE TO BUREAU JUNE FOURTEEN LAST,
AND KANSAS CITY TELETYPE TO BUREAU SAME DATE.

KANSAS CITY IS REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AND
INTERVIEW BEVERLY HILL, WHO IS DESCRIBED AS BEING A
PROSTITUTE BY PAUL BRIDGEMAN AND WHO MAY BE THE SISTER OF
BUSTER HILL WHO WAS AN INMATE AT MISSOURI STATE PENITENTIARY
AT THE SAME TIME AS RAY.

IF HILL IDENTIFIED, INTERVIEW HER RE ANY POSSIBLE
ASSOCIATION WITH SUBJECT RAY.

MINNEAPOLIS ADVISED BY AIR MAIL. P. END.

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The following investigation was conducted by
SA THOMAS H. WEAVER:

AT JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI:

On June 7, 1968, Mr. HARRY LAUF, Records Office, Missouri State Penitentiary, advised that there is not now and never has been, according to his records, any inmate at this institution named WARREN RAY. He said that his records on inmates named RAY include no RAYs with any combination of names including the name WARREN, and including the spelling of the last name as "WRAY". He said his records show RAY EUGENE WARREN, Missouri State Penitentiary #69963, was received at the Missouri State Penitentiary June 9, 1955, and was released April 13, 1968.

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Warren E. Hearnes
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June 17, 1968

Mr. Karl W. Dissly
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
707 United States Court House
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Karl:

Many thanks for your nice letter of June 12th and for your kind comments with regard to the assistance given your office by the Drivers License Section, State of Missouri, in the investigation and subsequent apprehension of James Earl Ray.

I am pleased to know that we were able to be of help to you and certainly appreciate your taking the time to write to me.

Sincerely yours,

Warren E. Hearnes

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George Ben Edmondson, a former top ten fugitive who was captured in Canada after escaping from Missouri State Penitentiary, is currently incarcerated at the Missouri State Penitentiary, and during re-interview on June 14, 1968, he advised as follows:

It is much easier to obtain a passport in Canada than a drivers license. He said he is not familiar with contacts in Toronto, but is familiar with the procedure in Montreal. He advised that there is no difficulty in passing over to Canada from the United States. One method of securing a passport is to obtain it from a group of persons in Montreal for a fee. He stated he obtained his blanks from Yvon Gadbois. Gadbois reportedly has numerous baptismal blanks printed up which are prepared by several printers, the identities of which he does not know. Edmondson stated that Gadbois is also engaged in the "dirty picture business", and perhaps light "dope" such as marijuana. He is the type of person Edmondson describes as a "hustler". Edmondson advised that Gadbois has access to an official seal with which to stamp-validate the record. Edmondson understands this is furnished through a sexton of the Saint Justine Church. Edmondson stated he was also told this sexton makes an entry in the church records to validate the record should any question arise. He said he doubts this, and it could be it was used as a "come along".

Edmondson said that Gadbois fills out the baptismal record and puts a seal on it. If you do not know a "guarantor", he will provide the name of one and charges more money. The cost of a baptismal record runs from \$25 to \$150 depending on the amount of work Gadbois has to do. Edmondson said his record was applied for on Friday and it was furnished to him by Gadbois on the following Monday or Tuesday ready to be mailed for the passport.

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Edmondson advised that the best method, and the one he would have used had he had a chance to study the matter, is as follows: Read an obituary in the newspaper of the death of a person about the same age as the one seeking a passport. He said it is better to get one with few relatives. He said the names of relatives, date and place of birth, are all set out in the death notices. One then writes to the equivalent of the "Bureau of Vital Statistics" in the name of the deceased person stating the birth certificate was lost and request a new one. When the new birth certificate for the deceased person is received, one sends \$5 to the passport office with a photograph and the passport is issued.

Edmondson said that although he obtained a baptismal record from Gadbois, he did not actually use it because he studied the system in the meantime, and then sent his wife's expired passport with their marriage license to the passport office and requested the issuance of passports for both. He sent the name of an employee of his as a guarantor. The passports were readily issued.

He said it is also possible to obtain a passport with a birth certificate or baptismal record by making an affidavit. A person does not actually have to have a guarantor as this requirement will be waived.

In connection with "crossing over" to Canada, Edmondson said this presents no problem. He said the first time he crossed it was at Plattsburg, New York, about nine or ten days after he escaped from Missouri State Penitentiary. He had hitchhiked a ride from New York City. He showed a drivers license he had as identification. He believed it was in the name of Gasderi. This time he was asked why he was going to Canada and for how long. He said he replied he was going for two weeks if his money held out. Edmondson stated he went back and forth six or eight times while he was an escapee, and except this once, he was never questioned or required to show any identification. He said the best plan is to pick one of the busiest places to cross. This could be the International Bridge at Detroit, Michigan, and at Plattsburg, New York.

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Edmondson also advised persons entering Canada in a fugitive status like to leave the United States from a busy airport such as New York City, and go to Montreal. He said customs are so busy they merely spot check certain passengers and do not ask for identification.

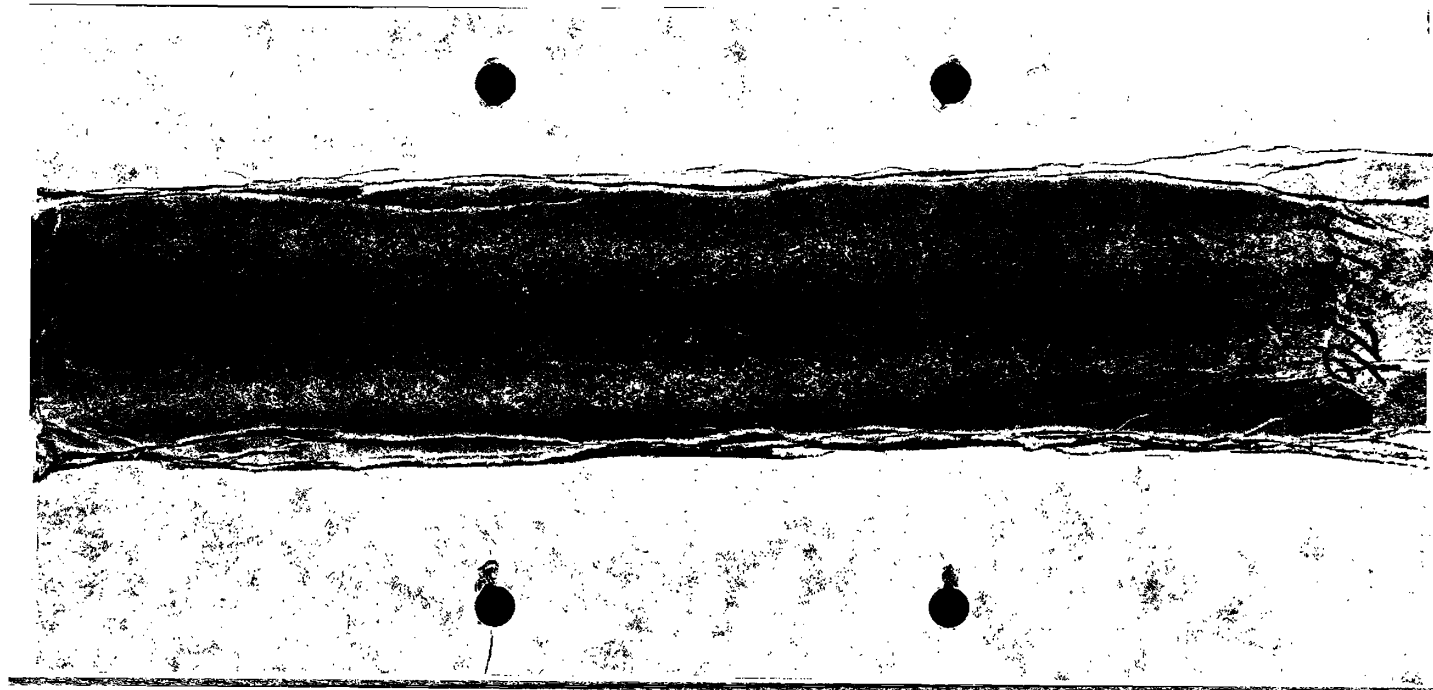
Edmondson advised that the information he has was picked up by him by reading regulations and other sources and the system is not hard to understand.

Edmondson advised that Gadbois had several associates. He said he met some of these but did not know their names. He said he recalled one "hustler" who works with Gadbois by the name of Marcell Villeneuve, also known as Slim, who lives in Pierre Ponds. He said this person is a fence operating an alleged appliance business and he is "real well connected" in Montreal, and can get about anything one would want in the way of electric appliances which are stolen. He stated Marcell also traffics in prostitution and may handle a little "pot".

Another associate of Gadbois is Bill Maharagh who is a photographer described as about 50 to 55 years, 5'7"-8", 180 pounds, gray hair - balding, and who wears very thick glasses. He deals in "dirty pictures, pot, and generally hustles" for Gadbois. He said this man is a "blatant homosexual".

Another associate of Gadbois is a used car dealer who is an East Indian. He has been "rapped" in Montreal for "hot" cars.

Edmondson said he was arrested and put in jail at Ottawa, Canada. Marcell came to see him and offered him a lot of services for a price. He wanted \$350 and took care of some things for Edmondson. He said for another \$1000 he could get Edmondson released, but he sent this message through Edmondson's wife, as the prison authorities would not let him re-visit Edmondson. Edmondson advised he turned down the offer of Marcell and stated he was departed on August 9, 1967. Therefore, Marcell would have had a visit with him between July 1 and August 9, 1967. Edmondson further advised he was using the name of Alex Hermann while living in Canada.



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