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The following dance studios were contacted
April 16, 1968, by SA PATRICK J. CONLEY:

PERSON CONTACTED

ADDRESS

MARY ANN PEARMAN

140 Cloveridge Street,
Ft. Thomas, Kentucky

KEITH THOMPSON

Thompson Rosemarion Dance
Studio, 15 West Ridge Place
Newport, Kentucky

JIM EGELSTON

Egelston's Dance Studio
713 Pike Street
Covington, Kentucky

MARTHA ZIEGLER

Ziegler Studio of Dance,
44 West 5th Street
Covington, Kentucky

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TO DIRECTOR, CLEVELAND AND MEMPHIS
FROM LOUISVILLE (44-947)

MURKIN. CR.

RE BUREAU TELEPHONE CALL TO LOUISVILLE 4-25-LAST AND
LOS ANGELES TELETYPE TO LOUISVILLE 4-25-LAST.

FOR INFORMATION CLEVELAND BUREAU ADVISED LOUISVILLE TODAY BY
TELEPHONE THAT CRIME RECORDS RECEIVED INFORMATION FROM DAVID KRESLOW
THE WASHINGTON NEWS EDITOR OF THE LOS ANGELES TIMES NEWSPAPER,
TO THE EFFECT THAT AN EMPLOYEE OF THE NEWSPAPER IN LOS ANGELES, AN
EX-CONVICT WHO STILL HAS CONTACTS AMONG THE CRIMINAL ELEMENT, HAD
INFORMED TO THE EFFECT THAT HIS SOURCES INDICATE THAT SUBJECT RAY IS
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TO: PBE ed 12:07 AM 4/26/68 JAL Rec'd by MSB
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Date: April 25, 1968

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
(Priority)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, LOUISVILLE (44-947) (P)

SUBJECT: JAMES EARL RAY, Aka. -
FUGITIVE;
MURKIN
CR; UFAC - ROBBERY

OO: ME

Reference Cincinnati teletype to Director and auxiliary offices, dated 4/20/68, and Cleveland teletype to Director and auxiliary offices, dated 4/21/68.

Investigation Concerning MILLIE MARIE HUFF and WILLIE CORNETT, Big Rock, Kentucky.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

No lead set forth to contact AUGGIE HUFF at Kingsport, Tennessee. Lead withheld until determination made as to the individual MANCEL VERNON PAYNE referred to in the 4/20/68 teletype.

On 4/21/68, WILLIE and VIVIAN CORNETT, Big Rock, Kentucky, advised that they are not at all familiar with

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CORNETT advised PETE HUFF lives in Ohio at an unknown location and AUGGIE HUFF resides in Kingsport, Tennessee, exact location unknown.

The following relatives of MILLIE MARIE PAYNE were contacted as to possible relationship to JAMES EARL RAY or knowledge of RAY. All advised they are unfamiliar and not related:

WILSON CORNETT
Big Rock, Kentucky
(uncle of MILLIE MARIE PAYNE).

BENTLEY HUFF
Big Rock, Kentucky
(brother of MILLIE MARIE PAYNE).

CORBIN HUFF
Brother of CLAUDE HUFF
brother of MILLIE MARIE PAYNE.

MILFORD CORNETT
Big Rock, Kentucky
(cousin).

ANNA LENE CORNETT
Big Rock, Kentucky
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ELMER CORNETT
Big Rock, Kentucky
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KEN CORNETT
Big Rock, Kentucky
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On 4/21/68, LORETTA and JOHN RAY, Big Laural, Kentucky, advised that they are the only RAY family in Laurel County and are not related nor are they familiar with the subject.

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WILLIAM J. LEHMEYER

The below listed individuals were contacted and searched their records under the above listed names and advised that there was no information for arrests contained in their files:

LAUREL COUNTY, LONDON, KENTUCKY

JOHN SINGLETON, Radio Dispatcher,
Kentucky State Police
London, Kentucky,
contacted April 9, 1968;

HENRY WALDEN, County Court Clerk,
London, Kentucky,
contacted April 9, 1968;

Sheriff ELMON JONES,
Laurel County Sheriff's Office,
London, Kentucky,
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Chief of Police JOHN NOE,
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CLAY COUNTY, MANCHESTER, KENTUCKY

LOU ELLEN ROBERTS, Circuit Court Clerk,
Manchester, Kentucky,
contacted April 9, 1968;

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BOB SAMPLE, Deputy Sheriff,
Clay County Sheriff's Office,
Manchester, Kentucky
contacted April 9, 1968;

B. GREGORY, Circuit Court Records,
Clay County, Manchester, Kentucky
contacted April 9, 1968.

LESLIE COUNTY, HYDEN, KENTUCKY

HENRY ROBERTS, Sheriff,
Leslie County Sheriff's Office,
Hyden, Kentucky
contacted April 9, 1968;

EFFIE COUCH, Circuit Court Clerk,
Hyden, Kentucky
contacted April 9, 1968;

MELDA SIZEMORE, County Court Clerk,
Hyden, Kentucky
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PERRY COUNTY, HAZARD, KENTUCKY

PAUL LAFFERTY, Radio Dispatcher,
Kentucky State Police,
Hazard, Kentucky
contacted April 9, 1968;

BUD LUTTRELL, Chief of Police,
Hazard Police Department,
Hazard, Kentucky
contacted April 9, 1968;

Deputy Sheriff WILLY STANLEY,
Perry County Sheriff's Office,
Hazard, Kentucky
contacted April 9, 1968;

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EARL DEATON, County Court Clerk,
Hazard, Kentucky, contacted
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KNOX COUNTY, BARBOURVILLE, KENTUCKY

RUBY POWELL, County Judge's Office,
Barbourville, Kentucky,
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RITA BLEVINS, Circuit Court Clerk,
Barbourville, Kentucky,
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NOVEL BOND,
Barbourville Police Department,
Barbourville, Kentucky,
contacted April 9, 1968;

G. LAWSON, Patrolman,
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JOYCE PROFFITT,
London Credit Bureau,
London, Kentucky,
contacted on April 11, 1968;

WILMA GRIGSBY,
Manchester Credit Bureau,
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Sheriff MATT SIZEMORE,
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Chief of Police NOVEL BOND,
Barbourville Police Department,
Barbourville, Kentucky,
contacted on April 11, 1968;

Kentucky State Police Trooper HAROLD MIRACLE,
Barbourville, Kentucky,
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On April 9, 1968, a review was made of the below listed Telephone Directories under the name of HARVEY LOWMEYER, the name of HARVEY LOWMYER, and the name of WILLIAM J. LEHMEYER. At this time, it was noted that no names were contained in the Telephone Directories identical or similar to these names.

It is noted that the areas covered in the below listed counties do not have City Directories.

The counties covered with below checks are as follows:

Perry County, Hazard Telephone Directory was reviewed;

Leslie County, Hyden Telephone Directory was reviewed;

Clay County, Manchester Telephone Directory was reviewed;

Knox County, Barbourville Telephone Directory was reviewed;

Laurel County, London Telephone Directory was reviewed;

Whitley County, Williamsburg and Corbin Telephone Directory was reviewed;

McCreary County, Whitley City Telephone Directory was reviewed;

Wayne County, Monticello Telephone Directory was reviewed; and

Pulaski County, Somerset Telephone Directory was reviewed.

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The following below listed counties were contacted and a search was made of the Voter Registration under the names HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, and WILLIAM J. LEHMEYER. These names or no similar names could be located in the County Voter Registration:

Leslie County, Hyden, Kentucky,
Person contacted: MELDA SIZEMORE,
County Court Clerk, on
April 9, 1968;

Clay County, Manchester, Kentucky,
Person contacted: B. GREGORY,
County Clerk's Office, on
April 9, 1968;

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Perry County, Hazard, Kentucky,
Person contacted: EARL DEATON,
County Court Clerk, on
April 9, 1968;

Knox County, Barbourville, Kentucky,
Person contacted: ED McDONALD,
County Court Clerk, on
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The following below listed counties were contacted and a search was made of the Voter Registration under the names HARVEY LOWMEYER, HARVEY LOWMYER, and WILLIAM J. LEHMEYER. These names or no similar names could be located in the County Voter Registration:

Leslie County, Hyden, Kentucky,
Person contacted: MELDA SIZEMORE,
County Court Clerk, on
April 9, 1968;

Clay County, Manchester, Kentucky,
Person contacted: B. GREGORY,
County Clerk's Office, on
April 9, 1968;

Laurel County, London, Kentucky,
Person contacted: HENRY WALDEN,
County Court Clerk, on
April 9, 1968;

Perry County, Hazard, Kentucky,
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Clay County Credit Bureau,
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Citizens State Bank,
Hazard, Kentucky
Person contacted: N. H. ALCORN, Vice President;

Peoples Bank,
Hazard, Kentucky
Person contacted: GENE PARKER, Vice President;

Hyden Citizens Bank,
Hyden, Kentucky
Person contacted: FRED BREASURE, Vice President;

First National Bank,
London, Kentucky
Person contacted: DON EDWARDS, Vice President;

Second National Bank,
London, Kentucky
Person contacted: WARREN G. LITTLE, Vice President;

First State Bank,
Manchester, Kentucky
Person contacted: BIDGE HENSLEY, President;

First National Bank,
Manchester, Kentucky
Person contacted: JOE L. TIGUE, President;

American Fidelity Bank,
Barbourville, Kentucky
Person contacted: COEY R. PRICHARD, Assistant Clerk;

Union National Bank,
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All individuals contacted advised that they did not use this type of marking device in their laundries:

LONDON, Laurel County, KENTUCKY

Barrett Quality Cleaners,
519 West Third Street, London
Person contacted: LUCILLE BARRETT
Eliminated: Used hand-marked tags;

Greer J. Ralph Cleaners,
North Main Street, London
Person contacted: EDNA SWEET
Eliminated: Used hand-marked paper tags;

Jiffy One Hour Cleaners, Inc.,
Third and Main Street, London
Person contacted: JAMES MOUNT
Eliminated: Used hand-marked paper tag;

London Laundry and Dry Cleaning,
West Fourth Street, London
Person contacted: JACK TIMBERLAKE
Eliminated: Used automatic marking machine;
used different colored tags and different
dimensioned tags, one-quarter inch by one-
half inch.

BARBOURVILLE, Knox County, KENTUCKY

London Laundry and Dry Cleaning,
Courthouse Square, Barbourville
Person contacted: DELORES RUNYON
Eliminated: Used hand-marked yellow tags;

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Stewart Dry Cleaners,
North Liberty Street, Barbourville
Person contacted: JOHN HAMMONS
Eliminated: Hand-mark all laundry.

MANCHESTER, Clay County, KENTUCKY

Manchester Dry Cleaners,
304 $\frac{1}{2}$ Main Street, Manchester
Person contacted: ROSE BAKER
Eliminated: Hand-marked laundry;

Orpha's Modern Cleaners,
White Street, Manchester
Person contacted: EDNA BURNS
Eliminated: Do not use automatic marking
machines.

HYDEN, Leslie County, KENTUCKY

Maggard Dry Cleaning,
Hyden
Person contacted: HERMAN MAGGARD
Eliminated: Hand-marked laundry.

WHITLEY CITY, McCreary County, KENTUCKY

Whitley City Cleaners,
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Person contacted: CAROL CALHOUN
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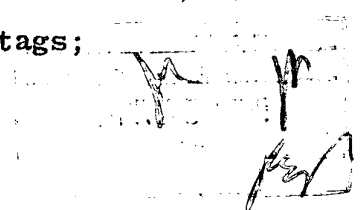
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FROM LOUISVILLE (44-947)

MURKIN, CR, OO: MEMPHIS.

INDIVIDUAL RESEMBLING SUBJECT SEEN AT HARRISON'S RESTAURANT, METROPOLIS, ILL. NIGHT OF APR. TWENTYFIVE LAST AND LEFT RESTAURANT ACCOMPANIED BY MAN AND WOMAN IN SIXTYEIGHT WHITE FORD GALAXIE, FOUR-DOOR, HARDTOP, KY. LICENSE FIVE FIVE NINE-FIVE ONE NINE, REGISTERED TO TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES, THREE SEVEN ZERO W. MARKET, AKRON, OHIO. ATTEMPTS TO IDENTIFY INDIVIDUAL VEHICLE LEASED TO NEGATIVE.

CLEVELAND AT AKRON CONTACT TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES, THREE SEVEN ZERO W. MARKET, AND DETERMINE IDENTITY OF PERSON INSTANT VEHICLE LEASED TO AND SUTEL. AM COPY SENT MEMPHIS AND SPRINGFIELD.

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JAMES HE HAD RECENTLY MARRIED RIDINGS' DAUGHTER AND NEEDED
THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS WHICH JAMES FURNISHED HIM. JAMES
SUBSEQUENTLY OBSERVED PHOTOGRAPH OF JAMES EARL RAY AND
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INTERVIEW JAMES FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION.

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OHIO, ADVISED HIS COMPANY IS AGENT FOR TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES,
MAIN OFFICE, NEW YORK CITY. HE STATED IF LICENSE AND AUTOMOBILE
DESCRIBED IN REFERENCED TELETYPE IS REGISTERED TO TRANSPORTATION
VEHICLES, AKRON, OHIO, IT INDICATES HIS COMPANY DELIVERED THAT
CAR TO ANOTHER AGENT OF TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES SOMEWHERE IN
THE STATE OF KENTUCKY. MR. FOLK ADVISED HE WOULD HAVE NO
RECORD OF THE KENTUCKY LICENSE IN HIS OFFICE BUT IF HE HAD THE
VIN OF THE CAR HE COULD TELL WHERE IN KENTUCKY IT WAS DELIVERED.
VIN SHOULD BE ON LICENSE APPLICATION ON FILE IN THE KENTUCKY
STATE MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU.
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LOUISVILLE CONTACT KENTUCKY STATE MOTOR VEHICLE BUREAU
RE LICENSE NUMBER IN REFERENCED TELETYPE, OBTAIN VIN FOR CAR
THAT LICENSE ISSUED TO AND ADVISE CLEVELAND.

AIRMAIL COPY SENT MEMPHIS.

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RE CLEVELAND TELETYPE THIS DATE.

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TO DIRECTOR (44-38861), LOUISVILLE, MEMPHIS (44-1987),
BIRMINGHAM (44-1740), ATLANTA (44-2386), LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
FROM MILWAUKEE (44-388) 2P

RE JAMES EARL RAY

RE ATLANTA TELETYPE TO DIRECTOR, MILWAUKEE, MEMPHIS,
LOS ANGELES, AND BIRMINGHAM INSTANT DATE.

FOR INFO LOUISVILLE, RE TELETYPE ADVISED NINETEEN SIXTY SIX
MUSTANG ABANDONED BY RAY IN ATLANTA, APRIL FIVE, LAST, HAS SEARS
AND ROEBUCK REPLACEMENT BATTERY. LOCATED ON TOP OF NEGATIVE POST
IS NUMBER F FOUR ONE B E EIGHT. THE INSCRIPTION "SQUARE" FOUR
EIGHT IS ON TOP OF A LEAD SHIELD WASHER AT THE NEGATIVE POST
AND "C EIGHT" ON THE BOTTOM OF SAME WASHER.

MILWAUKEE REQUESTED TO CONTACT LARRY AMATEIS, FIELD SERVICE
MANAGER, GLOBE UNION, INC., AND FROM THE ABOVE INFO ASCERTAIN
SPECIFIC GLOBE UNION PLANT WHICH MANUFACTURED THIS BATTERY AND
TOWHICH STATE, IF POSSIBLE, BATTERY WAS SHIPPED FOR SALE. SET
OUT LEADS IF APPROPRIATE AND ADVISE ATLANTA, MEMPHIS, BIRMINGHAM
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LARRY AMATEIS, FIELD SERVICE MANAGER, GLOBE UNION, INC., MILWAUKEE, ADVISED F-FOUR ONE INDICATES BATTERY MANUFACTURED AT LOUISVILLE PLANT, LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY AND THE "C EIGHT" INDICATES THAT THIS BATTERY WAS SHIPPED FROM THE LOUISVILLE PLANT TO A SEARS STORE IN MARCH OF SIXTY EIGHT.

HE ADVISED THAT LOUISVILLE SHIPS BATTERIES TO ALL OF KENTUCKY, MICHIGAN, OHIO, MISSOURI, N.E. PORTION OF INDIANA, SOUTHERN HALF OF W. VIRGINIA, NORTHERN PORTION OF TENNESSEE AND SOUTHERN HALF OF ILLINOIS.

HE ADVISED THE PERSONS TO CONTACT AT THE LOUISVILLE PLANT ARE MR. JOHN GAYHART OR MR. DARNELL, PHONE NO. FIVE ZERO TWO - NINE SIX FOUR - SIX FOUR THREE ONE.

HE STATED IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM TO DETERMINE EXACTLY WHAT SEARS STORE THIS BATTERY WAS SHIPPED TO. HE DOUBTS IF THE LOUISVILLE PLANT WOULD BE ABLE TO FURNISH THIS INFO UNLESS THERE WAS A WARRANTY CARD ISSUED WITH THE PURCHASE OF THE BATTERY.

LOUISVILLE AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, CONTACT MR. JOHN GAYHART FOR MORE SPECIFIC INFO RE INSTANT BATTERY.

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