

5/29/68

AIRTEL

TO: SAC, LOUISVILLE (44-947)
FROM: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: CHECK OF UNIDENTIFIED DEAD *Sub-B*

The Louisville Division is requested to contact LEWIS BUSH, Director, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Department of Health, Frankfort, Ky., and obtain the listing of funeral directors for the state of Kentucky.

Louisville will thereafter circularize these funeral directors for the purpose of ascertaining identity of all unidentified white deceased males from the date of 4/4/68 and thereafter with the view in mind of establishing whether subject RAY is deceased.

The Memphis Division will request Louisville to discontinue this unidentified dead survey in this matter upon subject's apprehension or when no reason exists to maintain this survey in effect.

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5-23-68

AIRTEL AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, ST. LOUIS (44-775) P
RE: MURKIN

Re SI airtel, 5-23-68.

RE: FORMER NEIGHBOR

Investigation at the Village of LaGrange, Mo., 5-23-68, by SA JAMES A. RUFFY indicated that LAFAYETTE DILTS and his girlfriend, WANDA LA BARE, have never resided in LaGrange. One commercial fisherman, HENRY SMITH, stated he has known DILTS in the past, last knew him he resided at Quincy, Ill., address unknown. He stated HENRY LOCK, a commercial fisherman, Quincy, Ill., will know DILTS' whereabouts and believes LOCK can be located through YANCKY'S FISH MARKET, Foot of Broadway, Quincy, Ill. States DILTS will also be known there.

THE SPRINGFIELD OFFICE AT QUINCY, ILL.:

Will contact employees of YANCKY'S FISH MARKET in an effort to locate HENRY LOCK and for info re LAFAYETTE DILTS' whereabouts, in order that he may be interviewed re any information he may have concerning subject or subject's family.

A & D:

3 - Bureau
1 - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Springfield (44-361)
1 - St. Louis
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
 FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -
 SUBJECT: MURKIN
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(OO: MEMPHIS)

Re St. Louis teletype 5/27/68.

On 5/28/68, BETTY COYLE (protect identity), Manager, General Telephone Company, Equality, Illinois, advised SA JIMMIE C. WHITAKER that telephone number 618-275-4478 was listed to LEROY BAKER, R.R. #2, Equality, Illinois. She further advised that this phone has been in service since March of 1964.

Mr. LEROY BAKER, age 53, R.R. #2, Equality, Illinois, advised SA JIMMIE C. WHITAKER on May 28, 1968, that the name WALTER ELSWORTH NOLAN was unknown to him. Mrs. BAKER advised that this name is unfamiliar to her.

Mr. and Mrs. BAKER viewed a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and advised that this individual is unknown to them.

The BAKER's telephone number was observed to be 275-4478, area code 618.

Mr. BAKER advised that all of his neighbors have telephones and that they are on a party line. He further advised that no one has ever made a telephone call from his telephone other than members of his family, to the best of his knowledge.

Springfield indices negative re BAKER.

3 - Bureau (44-38861)
 2 - St. Louis (44-775)
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PLAIN TEXT

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TO: SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
CIVIL RIGHTS
(OO: MEMPHIS)

*Circularization
noted*

Re Distribution of IO to Salvation Army.

Re Bureau teletype to All SACS dated
5/21/68.

Four hundred (400) copies of IO #4182 have
been furnished to Salvation Army National Headquarters
at New York, New York. This will enable Salavation
Army to circularize all of its outlets nationally.

SUBJECT RAY SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND
DANGEROUS.

2- Memphis
1- New York

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AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SACRAMENTO (100-427) (P)
RE: MURKIN
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OO: MEMPHIS

Locksmithing
Finley

Re Bureau airtel to Buffalo, 5/22/68.

Re Correspondence Locksmithing Courses

On 5/23/68, Miss CATHY GUNNI, Secretary, Universal School of Master Locksmithing, 1974 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, California, advised that the school did offer correspondence courses and that only two people had applied since 4/1/68. One of these was in the U.S. Army and the other was RICHARD L. ADLSPERGER, Orange County 20, 1616 East 4th Street, Santa Ana, California.

Miss GUNNI advised that students currently in residence were all there prior to 4/1/68. Upon viewing photographs of subject RAY, she advised he was unknown to her.

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2 - Memphis
2 - Sacramento
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AIRTEL

TO: SAC, NEWARK (44-854)
FROM: SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)
SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Chicago airtel 5/28/68.

RE: JERRY WILLIAM RAY

On 5/29/68, JERRY advised that he was contemplating taking a trip next Wednesday to Philadelphia and returning Friday night to be at work at 11:00 p.m. On further questioning, JERRY said that he would leave Chicago by airplane sometime Wednesday afternoon, fly to Philadelphia, and there rent a car to go to Camden, New Jersey. When asked if he had relatives in Camden, New Jersey, he advised that he did not but that he had a "friend there". Sometime later in the conversation, he mentioned that he had a girlfriend in Camden, New Jersey, and that he was planning to spend some time there to get to know her better. He was evasive in his answers to questions as to how he had met the young lady nor did he voluntarily furnish her name. The matter was not pressed in view of the information being furnished by PCI MARJORIE FETTERS.

Newark should note that this is the first mention that JERRY has made in any interview of a "girlfriend" in Camden, New Jersey. Apparently JERRY has changed his mind and now desires to come to Camden, New Jersey, to see MARJORIE FETTERS. The reason for this is not known to the Chicago Division. Newark has all available information concerning JERRY as set forth in Chicago report of SA ERNE J. DUMAINE dated 5/10/68. However, it should be noted

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① - Memphis (44-1987)
1 - Chicago
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that JERRY is of limited mental capacity and the PCI may have to be more than subtle to obtain any pertinent information from him.

Newark will be advised telephonically when the exact time of departure and flight information for JERRY is known.

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5/28/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO : SAC, TAMPA

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (44-388) (P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On the evening of 5/27/68, SYRELL DENNIS, previously described as girlfriend of subject JAMES EARL RAY and interviewed by the Milwaukee Division, telephonically contacted the Milwaukee Office and advised she urgently needed to talk to SA WILLIAM T. BURAN. Upon contacting DENNIS, she advised she had just left a bar known as the New Yorker on 605 North Fifth Street where she had observed three men. She stated that one of the men was familiar to her, and she recognized him as being from the Hollywood Blvd. and Western Blvd. area of Los Angeles, California, and that he was living in that area and frequenting the same bar as she during the same period of time that she knew JAMES EARL RAY to be living in that neighborhood. She stated the man had changed his appearance from that of a stockbroker in California to that of a businessman in Milwaukee. In the conversation with DENNIS, she indicated there may be some connection between JAMES EARL RAY and the above-described man, whom she could not identify by name.

- 1 - Tampa (AM-80)
- 1 - Birmingham (Info) (AM-80)
- 1 - Cleveland (AM-80)
- ② - Memphis (AM-80) (44-1987)
- 1 - Milwaukee (44-388)

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On the same date, GEORGE DENNIS, Bartender, New Yorker Bar, 605 North Fifth Street, advised he recalled three men being in his cafe at approximately the time DENNIS had called the Milwaukee Office. He stated the three men were merchant seamen operating on the Great Lakes and had mentioned that they would be shipping out in the early AM of 5/28/68.

Following the interview with GEORGE DENNIS, efforts were made to locate and interview the three unknown males, which efforts were successful.

The man described by DYRELL DENNIS was determined to be ROSS WESLEY STEVENS, who gave his home address as 1021 Highview Drive, Lake Wales, Florida. He stated he was a steward aboard the Edward S. Kendrick, a ship belonging to the Wilson Line, Cleveland, Ohio. During the course of the interview, STEVENS denied ever having been in Los Angeles, California, denied knowing DYRELL DENNIS, and denied any knowledge of JAMES EARL RAY. STEVENS is further described as a white male, 5'9", 180 lbs., date of birth [redacted] brown hair, brown eyes (note: color of eyes listed as brown on his Florida Driver's license; however, visual observation relates eyes are gray).

On reinterview with DYRELL DENNIS, she stated she does not feel she is mistaken in stating she knew this individual by sight in Los Angeles, California, during early March, 1968.

LEADS

CLEVELAND DIVISION

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO

Will contact Wilson Line Shipping Company and through records of that Company, attempt to determine whereabouts of ROSS WESLEY STEVENS during March, 1968.

TAMPA DIVISION

AT LAKE WALES, FLORIDA

Will conduct credit and criminal re ROSS WESLEY STEVENS and make appropriate inquiries to determine authenticity of his story.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MEMPHIS (44-1987)

FROM : *WMA* SAC, MOBILE (157-2627)(P)

SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO: MEMPHIS)

DATE: 5/28/68

Re: Informant Contacts

Reference is made to MOairtel to Memphis, 4/25/68.

Additional contacts with informants and sources of the Mobile Office reflect no pertinent information concerning this investigation. These contacts are continuing.

The identity of the informants and sources contacted and dates thereof are recorded in instant MOfile.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

② - Memphis
2 - Mobile
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TO: SAC, CHICAGO
FROM: SAC, NEWARK (44-854) (P)
SUBJECT: MURKIN
(OO:MEMPHIS)

For the information of Chicago and Memphis, in a letter dated 5/24/68, from JERRY RAY to PCI MARJORIE LOUISE FETTERS, he stated his intention of coming to Camden, N.J. to visit PCI FETTERS during the period of 6/6 - 8/68. Arrangements have been made on 5/27/68, with PCI LILLIAN DICKINSON, owner of premises occupied by PCI FETTERS at 2420 Arnold St., Camden, for JERRY RAY to stay at that residence while he is in Camden.

Relative to JERRY RAY's proposed trip to Camden, it is felt that any overt contact of him at Camden might very well jeopardize the identities of informants FETTERS and DICKINSON. It is further noted to date apparently JERRY RAY does not suspect FETTERS is known to the FBI and this very much enhances the likelihood of him feeling he can confide in her. It is also noted PCI FETTERS and PCI DICKINSON have both proven to be capable and reliable informants and they will provide continuous coverage of JERRY RAY while he is in the Camden area. In view of these circumstances, Newark will not personally contact JERRY RAY if he comes to Camden, unless subsequent events dictate otherwise.

ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

- ② - Memphis (Info)
2 - Chicago (Info)
5 - Newark
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Approved: [Signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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5/29/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, SAN ANTONIO (44-1242) (P)
RE: MURKIN

Re my telephone call to the Bureau, 5/27/68, and my tel to the Bureau and Memphis on 5/27/68, relating to the information furnished in this airtel.

On 5/27/68, EDUARDO JOSE MOLINA, Avenida Colon 505C, Merida, Yucatan, Republic of Mexico, contacted SA CLAY ZACHRY, JR., at Brownsville, Texas. He said that he had mentioned the subject he wanted to discuss with Inspector L.M. HATTENBACH of INS in Brownsville and that HATTENBACH had referred him to SA ZACHRY.

MOLINA said that on the Isla Mujeres, an island off the Gulf Coast of the Yucatan Peninsula and in the Territory of Quintana Roo and about a 20-minute flight from Merida, there is a hotel called the Sazil Ha. This is a first-class hotel owned and operated by a man named LIMA. MOLINA said that LIMA is not honest or reliable and should not be trusted for a contact by the FBI or anyone representing the FBI. About four days prior to 5/27/68, MOLINA said that LIMA's son, first name unknown, was heard to say that JAMES EARL RAY is working in the kitchen of the Sazil Ha Hotel on the Isla Mujeres.

The following information regarding the source, MOLINA, was obtained by SA ZACHRY from observation and interview. He is a very dignified and well-dressed Mexican male who remarked that he is 65 years old. He speaks excellent ~~English~~

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English with a slight Spanish accent and states that he went to school in England when very young and has his degree from Boston College in Boston. He is bald with some gray hair at the temples, has brown eyes, light complexion, is about 5'8" tall and slender in build. He claims to own the property at 54 Jacaranda Street in Brownsville and says that he paid \$30,000 for the dwelling to be used by his daughter whose husband is with Pepsi-Cola in Mexico and was formerly stationed in Matamoros, Tamps. He flew to Brownsville, from Mexico City via Aeronaes from Mexico to Matamoros. He owns a 1966 Pontiac GTO with 1967 Texas license DIPLO-2 that is being driven from Merida to Brownsville by one of his children. MOLINA said that he is staying at the Ft. Brown Motor Hotel but thinks that he will move to the Valley Inn and Country Club and expects to be in Brownsville four or five days. He stated that he is a retired business man and made his money in hemp and that he has been active in politics in Yucatan but in PAN rather than the official party PRI.

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Date: 5-30-68

Transmit the following in Plain Text
(Type in plaintext or code)Via Airtel
(Priority)

TO - DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM - SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561)
RE: MURKIN

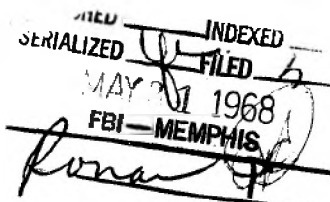
Re: Springfield Teletype to Los Angeles 5/29/68;
Los Angeles Teletype to Bureau 5/30/68;
Springfield Telephone Call to Chicago 5/30/68.

Enclosed for Chicago Division are two copies each of referenced teletypes.

For the information of Los Angeles, JERRY RAY is presently residing in Chicago, Illinois and in contact with Chicago Division, therefore any further leads concerning him should be directed to the Chicago Division.

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- 2- Bureau (44-38861) AM
- 2- Chicago (4-Encls) (44-1114) AMSD
- 2- Los Angeles (info) (44-1574) AM
- ①- Memphis (info) (44-1987) AM
- 2- Springfield (44-561)



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Special Agent in Charge

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (44-1987)

DATE: 5/31/68

FROM : SA GARY M. RAMSEY

SUBJECT: MURKIN

Re Bureau teletype to all offices 5/22/68 requesting that identification orders of subject be furnished to all charitable type missions.

The following individuals who operate charitable type mission organizations were furnished copies of the identification order for JAMES EARL RAY on 5/24/68:

JIMMY STROUD, Superintendent, Memphis
Union Mission, 383 Poplar Ave.

Brigadier R. E. ROSE, Salvation Army,
130 N. Danny Thomas

JOHN ASHBY, Baptist Mission, 125 Linden
Ave.

The above individuals advised that their organizations were the only 3 charitable type mission organizations in Memphis who furnish sleeping facilities.

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Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL AIR MAIL
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN: EXHIBIT SECTION
ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION
FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (44-1574)
RE: MURKIN

Re Los Angeles tel to Bureau, dated 5/29/68.

Enclosed herewith is one copy of an FD-383.

Request the artist conception be transmitted to
Los Angeles with in short as possible time. Request copies
of artist's conception be furnished interested field offices
as contained in referenced teletype.

- 4 - Bureau (Enc. 1)
- 1 - Birmingham (Info)
- 1 - Memphis (Info)
- 1 - Los Angeles

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File - Serial Charge Out
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File 44-1987-SUB-B Date _____
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☐ Closed

Serial No. Description of Serial Date Charged

SERIAL 910 TRANSFERRED TO 44-1987

(SA TT to Dir 5-29-68)

Employee

RECHARGE

Date _____

To _____ From _____

Date charged

Employee

Location

5/29/68

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM: SAC, WFO (44-703) (P)

MURKIN

ReBurd, 5/21/68, concerning review of drivers' license.

Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), Washington, D.C. (WDC), issues learner's permits to applicants for driver's license who do not hold a valid permit from another jurisdiction. A Polaroid photo is made and retained with application at DMV and can be reviewed by WFO. Review must be conducted during evening and weekend hours when DMV personnel are available and is being handled as WFO personnel are available in accordance with fulfilling other Bureau responsibilities. Approximately 250 learner's permits are issued each day and files are maintained for six months or longer; therefore, the review will cover approximately 30,000 applications in this category.

DMV, WDC, does not record on driver's license or application the race of the applicant; however, a

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①-Memphis (44-1987)
1-WFO**

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color photo is made a part of the license issued. Negatives are available from the Metropolitan Police Department for all permits issued. At the conclusion of search of learner's permits, WFO will obtain these negatives, have the Laboratory reproduce them as positives on 35mm black and white movie film, and review them on microfilm viewers. Approximately 600 to 1,000 permits are issued each workday and approximately 30,000 have been issued since 4/1/68. Approximately 50 one hundred foot rolls of 35mm black and white film will be required for above project. This film costs \$2.90 per hundred foot roll, plus 46 cents for developing chemicals. Labor will amount to approximately 50 hours at \$2.85 per hour. Total cost about \$310.50.

It is recommended the Bureau approve the above as the cost of Agent time and use of Bureau equipment to resolve the identities of permit holders would exceed the above many times. It is noted DMV personnel estimate that only 10 to 15 per cent of permits issued are to white males 30 to 55 years of age, and since race is not listed on application, it would be necessary to conduct investigation to eliminate a great number of non-whites if above costs are not approved.

5/28/68

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, JACKSONVILLE (44-769)
SUBJ: MURKIN
(OO: ME)

Re Bureau radiogram 5/21/68 and Jacksonville airtel to Bureau, 5/24/68.

Re: DRIVERS LICENSE BUREAU CHECKS FOR ALL
DRIVERS LICENSE APPLICATIONS - MONTHS OF
APRIL AND MAY, 1968.

On 5/27/68, a conference was held with Major E. W. KEITH, Capt. A. B. REDDICK, Mrs. ELLEN HARRISON and Mrs. CAROLYN MARTIN, of the Department of Public Safety, Drivers License Division, Tallahassee, Fla., to make a more thorough and exhaustive study of details in reviewing all drivers license applications in the State of Florida for the months of April and May, 1968, and a more accurate determination of numbers involved.

Major KEITH explained his figure of 930,000 drivers licenses issued in a year that he had previously furnished was erroneous and that was the number of examinations given, rather than the number of applications received or licenses issued.

He advised this figure is high since several examinations are sometimes given to the same individual and a student or inexperienced driver will be given a visual and written examination before being issued a restricted license or learner's permit and thereafter return for a road test examination each of which is counted as an examination. The survey now reveals the following information:

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2 - Tampa
1 - Miami

① - Memphis 2 - Jacksonville

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DRIVERS LICENSE APPLICATIONS

MONTHS: APRIL AND MAY, 1968

STATE OF FLORIDA

Number of applications for drivers licenses:

70,000

(Source: Major E. W. KEITH.)

LOCATION OF APPLICATIONS:

1. Tallahassee:

April - filed 27,000 (3 counties not yet reported out of 67).

May - 3,000 (none filed since 5/24/68).

All filed alphabetically.

May (unfiled) - Unknown

2. Drivers License Examination Stations

April - 5,500

May - 5,000

Information furnished by Major KEITH from a sampling of Inspection Stations throughout the state.

3. County Judge's Office

to be forwarded to Tallahassee.

April - 4,000

May - Unknown, approximately 26,000 most of which will be in Tallahassee before 6/15/68.

REVIEW PROCEDURE

1. AT TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

a) Applications already filed: (Approximately 10,000)
Motor Vehicle Bureau personnel would have to pull individual files from the list of names contained on the Motor Vehicle Bureau form DL 16 as described in referenced Jacksonville airtel. (Names of all applicants for drivers licenses appearing at the 110 examining points throughout the state of Florida). It is noted that ~~approximately 10,000~~ equals contained on this list have ~~not~~ passed the examination and therefore their applications are not on file in Tallahassee. A copy of these DL 16's for month of April are on file at Tallahassee.

FBI personnel would thereafter review these individual applications for elimination purposes.

b) Applications Not Filed to Date

All applications received on or after 5/27/68 are being held by MVB and will not be filed. A review of these applications could be made by FBI personnel prior to filing.

2. AT THE 110 EXAMINING STATIONS THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

Number - 10,500.

In the event an application is made for a drivers license, this application would not be forwarded to Tallahassee and would be kept at the inspection station in following instances:

1. Individual takes only the visual examination and written test.
2. Takes neither the written or road test.
3. Fails either the written or road test.

These applications are retained for a period of 90 days and thereafter destroyed.

JK 44-769

The above applications are filed alphabetical and would be reviewed by FBI personnel from name on the DL 16 on which no application was located in Tallahassee.

3. AT COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

These applications were sent from Inspection Station on individuals having passed their tests and will be forwarded to MVA, Tallahassee, usually once a month and will be reviewed at Tallahassee prior to filing.

COST INVOLVED

Other than Bureau personnel...

Approximately \$3,000

Including 5 Xerox copies each of the 3,000 DL 16 forms.

Five employees working from 7-9 p.m. each night for about 10 days pulling files for review by Bureau personnel and the refiling of these files.

BUREAU PERSONNEL

Major KELTS estimated that it would take five FBI personnel about 40 days to complete the project as he feels that a person cannot examine more than 20 applications an hour.

Bureau personnel would be supplied space and could work days on this project.

AT 110 EXAMINING STATIONS

Undetermined.

ALTERNATIVE

Review of licenses filed at the County Judge's Office as set forth in Jacksonville airtel to Bureau 5/24/68 after obtaining DL 16 from the 110 examining stations.

In this regard Capt. A. E. REDDICK pointed out that for the month of April only a copy of the licenses would be available at the County Judge's Office where as in Tallahassee, the applications would be filed. This application contains additional information such as the license tag and where the person was previously licensed to drive.

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Capt. REDDICK further advised that his experience has been that a lot of county judge's offices have not kept good records as to the filing of these drivers licenses and in many cases he has found where they are several months in arrears with their filing. He said all the licenses for the month of April will be in file at Tallahassee in the next few days but those for May will not be complete until around the end of June.

RECOMMENDATION

Bureau is requested to approve the payment of approximately \$3,883 to the Department of Public Safety, Tallahassee, Fla., for necessary expenses incurred by them in carrying out the above project.

Major WHITE has requested a decision as to whether he should retain stops with all the applications that are coming in for May and those retained for April be reached as soon as possible. A delay of any length of time would cause his office to "bogg" down with non-filed applications.

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5/23/68

AIR TEL

AIR MAIL

TO : Director, FBI (44-38861)
FROM : SAC, Indianapolis (44-563)

MURKIN

OO - Memphis

Re Bureau Radiogram, 5/22/68.

On 5/23/68 TULLA MANTOON, Records Section, Indiana Drivers License, advised all records are recorded alphabetically. No separate record is maintained on new licenses. No applications are retained.

She further advised that Face is no longer listed on the driver's license.

Sgt. AL LARSON, Indiana State Police, advised his records revealed there are over 3,174,000 registered drivers' licenses on file. It would take 10 Agents, 20 days of review in order to check all licenses.

In view of fact license records previously checked for subject RAY and known aliases, it is not believed feasible to review over three million licenses in file, and Bureau is requested to advise if they desire this be done.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
FROM: SAC, RICHMOND (44-657)-P-
MURKIN

RE UNIDENTIFIED DECEASED:

Re Bureau airtel to all offices dated 5/9/68.

Dr. GREGORY T. MANN, Chief Medical Examiner, state of Va., Richmond, Va., has advised that to date there is only one (1) unidentified deceased in the Richmond territory of Va., that could possibly be identical with subject RAY. He advised that this body was discovered burned to death in a fire in Alexandria, Va., on 5/1/68, and that although the unidentified deceased appears to be that of a male Negro, the conclusion could not be positive.

Dr. MANN advised that a dental chart of the unidentified deceased is available and that a positive identification or elimination could be made if the dental charts for subject RAY could be made available.

The Bureau is requested to furnish Richmond with dental charts for subject RAY, suitable for identification or elimination purposes, if such charts are available. Richmond will upon receipt of RAY's dental charts, have a comparison made with unknown deceased mentioned above, to determine if identical. *CF 44-657*

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**To: SACs, Kansas City (44-780)
St. Louis (44-775)
Springfield (44-561)**

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

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ReAirtel 5/12/68 to Bureau, Memphis and Springfield re information furnished indicating bank of Alton, Illinois, was the bank which Garrow and Ray had cashed.

If not already handled, Springfield should take necessary action to see that following items are covered:

Photographs of Ray should be exhibited to the bank robbery witnesses.

Advise Kansas City of complete description of clothing found and Kansas City will determine whether any items of clothing are possibly prison issued.

Springfield also furnish Kansas City with pertinent identity of laundry marks so that Kansas City can determine if any of these marks were possibly placed on items of clothing at the Missouri State Penitentiary.

Springfield should contact local sporting goods stores with respect to the cap which was found which contains a fishing emblem.

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If not already handled, have Louisville attempt to identify the Mens' Style Shop, Gray and Wilson, Mayfield, Kentucky, for any information regarding purchaser of the hat.

① - Memphis (44-1987) (for info)

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**Airtel SACs, Kansas City, St. Louis, Springfield
RE: MURKIN**

The manufacturer of the sawed-off shotgun should be contacted for any pertinent information that firm may be able to furnish.

The bank robbery file discloses that laundries in Alton, Illinois, have been checked with respect to the laundrymarks on the clothing found; however, there is no indication of laundries having been checked in surrounding areas. Be certain this is done.

Springfield request the Laboratory to compare the hair specimens obtained in the bank robbery case to hair specimens obtained in the Murkin case.

Recontact suspects and informants for any information they may have regarding Ray and whether or not he could have been involved in the bank robbery.

Recontact Ray's uncle, William R. Myher, 118 East Seventh Street, Alton, Illinois, for any information he may have regarding the bank robbery.

All leads are to be given continuous and expeditious attention.

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Send daily results of investigative activity concerning this bank robbery. Such teletypes are to be submitted under the "MURKIN" caption and are to continue until the issue is fully resolved as to whether Ray was or was not involved in the bank robbery.

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Airtel

To: SAC, New Orleans (157-10673)

From: Director, FBI (44-38861)

MURKIN

ReMOairtel to Bureau dated 5/24/68.

You should furnish the Bureau the type of individuals and business firms to be circularized in your referenced communication.

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DRIVERS LICENSE RECORDS CHECK

On April 17, 1968, Sergeant D. BUICK, Arizona Highway Department, Drivers License Records, Phoenix, Arizona, advised that it would be impossible to determine drivers licenses issued to a person by description or date of birth, since such licenses are filed alphabetically by driver's name.

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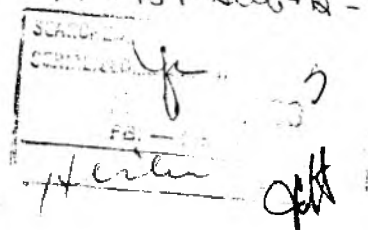
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BIRTH RECORD CHECK

On April 15, 1968, IC GEORGE J. KIBSEY contacted Mr. FENTON H. BUTLER, Deputy State Registrar, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Arizona Department of Health, Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. BUTLER advised it would be impossible to check all male births for the date July 20, 1931, since such birth records are filed alphabetically and not chronologically.



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BORDER AND LAW ENFORCEMENT CHECKS

On April 19, 1968, an Arizona All-Points Bulletin was dispatched on subject RAY and his known aliases to all local law enforcement agencies which included the Border Patrols, Immigration Stations, and Department of Agriculture Inspection Stations on the Mexican border as well as all law enforcement agencies.

On April 19, 1968, the following investigation was conducted by SA JOHN M. ALBERT:

The following persons were contacted along the United States-Mexican border at Douglas, Agua Prieta, Naco, Arizona, and Naco, Sonora, and photographs and descriptions of JAMES EARL RAY were distributed. In each instance those contacted advised that they would post these notices in a prominent place and would immediately advise the FBI of any information they received concerning the whereabouts of RAY.

CHESTER HUNT, Inspector, U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, Douglas, Arizona

FLACK MILNER, Chief Deputy, U. S. Customs, Douglas

RON JOHNSON, Chief Patrol Inspector, U. S. Border Patrol, Douglas

MIGUEL VILLARREAL, Inspector, Mexican Immigration Service

IGNACIO BAS, Collections Inspector, Mexican Customs Service

JOSE JIMENEZ, Mexican Consul, Douglas

BRAD PEAK, Inspector, U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, Naco, Arizona

JESUS GIM DELGADO, Inspector, Mexican Immigration Service

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SAs KERMIT F. JOHNSON and COY A. COPELAND contacted the following law enforcement agencies in the Tucson, Arizona, area on April 25, 1968:

Lieutenant DIERKING
State Narcotics Investigation Bureau

Officer JOHN LYONS
Arizona Liquor Control

Lieutenant KENNETH MAURER
Records Section
Tucson Police Department (TPD)

Lieutenant FRANK ZUNNO
Intelligence Unit
TPD

Lieutenant GEORGE K. ROBLES
TPD

Identification Officer ROBERT BOYD
Pima County Sheriff's Office

Chief of Police LOUIS SOTOMAYOR
South Tucson Police Department

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DANCE STUDIO CHECKS

On April 25, 1968, SA G. WAYNE MACK, after checking the telephone directories and city directories, determined there are no dance studios in the Safford, Arizona, area.

On May 13, 1968, a check by SA LYNN W. BEDFORD of the city and telephone directories determined there were no dance studios in the Mesa, Arizona, area.

The following investigation was conducted by SA KERMIT F. JOHNSON and SA DUNCAN M. DEW, III, At Tucson, Arizona.

On April 22 and 25, 1968, the following persons at the businesses indicated advised subject is not known to them and they have no record of his having contacted their studios:

STEPHEN BERNAT, Manager,
Arthur Murray Dance Studio
2845 East Speedway Boulevard

Mrs. NIOTA HOSKINS, Receptionist
Miss JO BYARS
Fred Astaire Dance Studio
244 South Tucson Boulevard

Mrs. DOROTHY CAMERON
Double C Dance Studio
2329 North Tucson Boulevard

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NARCOTICS BUREAU CHECKS

On April 23, 1968, SA ERNEST J. VAN LOON delivered 12 of the latest Identification Orders concerning subject RAY to Lieutenant DON HICKS, Vice Detail, Phoenix Police Department. HICKS advised that he would discuss it with the officers on the Vice Detail and request each of them to contact their sources regarding RAY.

On April 29, 1968, SA DANIEL C. PELTON contacted personnel in the Flagstaff Police Department and Coconino County Sheriff's Office, Flagstaff, Arizona, and determined these law enforcement agencies do not have separate narcotics divisions.

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LOCAL ARMED ROBBERIES AND UNSOLVED BANK ROBBERIES

The following investigation was conducted by SA
ERNEST J. VAN LOON at Phoenix, Arizona:

On May 16, 1968, Sergeant RAY HEMPHILL, Robbery Detail, Phoenix Police Department, was furnished the latest photo of JAMES EARL RAY (taken January, 1968). HEMPHILL stated that he would have RAY considered in connection with unsolved robberies since April, 1967.

On May 16, 1968, the photo of RAY was shown to the only witness in Phoenix case 91-2486 entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECT; Western Savings and Loan Association, 350 East Dunlap, Phoenix, Arizona, February 23, 1968," and she (Miss BONNIE TURNER) stated that RAY was not the man who robbed her.

On May 16, 1968, SA KERMIT F. JOHNSON reviewed the unsolved bank robbery in Phoenix file 91-2426 and according to bank witnesses, the unknown subject in this case was a man described as being old, approximately 60 years.

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LATENT FINGERPRINT CHECKS

The following investigation was conducted by SA ERNEST J. VAN LOON at Phoenix, Arizona:

In the absence of Lieutenant BECK, Identification Division, Phoenix Police Department, Officer ED SWAN was contacted on May 1, 1968, concerning the comparison of the fingerprints of JAMES EARL RAY against unidentified latents from local crime scenes since April 23, 1967.

Officer SWAN called in Identification man JOE GARCIA, who advised that an unidentified latent file was maintained, that it was feasible to check it and that it would be checked as requested. He stated that the check would be rather time consuming but that it would be done because "that is what we are here for." He indicated that Identification man ROLES is presently on limited duty due to a leg injury and that possibly ROLES would spend considerable time on the project.

Officer SWAN stated that he would inform Lieutenant BECK of this arrangement.

On May 13, 1968, SA LYNN W. BEDFORD determined that law enforcement agencies in the Mesa, Arizona, area do not maintain latent fingerprint files and that the State Identification Bureau at Florence, Arizona, does not have a latent fingerprint file.

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LAUNDRY CHECKS

The following investigation was conducted by SA
JACK C. POLLOCK at Yuma, Arizona:

On April 11, 1968, all laundries and dry cleaning establishments in Yuma were contacted as well as Parker Laundry and Dry Cleaners. In each instance personnel contacted advised it would be impossible to obtain the identity of the laundry since the number referred to is incomplete and, also, since laundries vary their numbers from time to time.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
HENRY F. GRADY at Mesa, Arizona:

On April 24, 1968, Mr. LOU GOLDSTEIN, Sav-Way Laundry and Dry Cleaners, 117 West Main, advised that the laundry mark "20R-3" was not made by his machines. He stated that his records do not reflect such a laundry mark.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
HENRY F. ALSTON at Phoenix, Arizona:

On April 24, 1968, the following laundries were recontacted and it was determined that they were not using code "20R-3":

BOB ZACKT, Manager, Acme Laundry
3316 North Third

BELLE ALLEN, owner, Allen's Cleaners
4129 North 40th

ERMA HUGGENS, Laundry marker,
BARTOLI's Cleaners
9103 North Central

ARLIN BLAKELY, sales representative,
Cleaners and Laundry Equipment Company,
719 Old Scottsdale Road
Scottsdale, Arizona

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CLYDE JOHNSON, owner, Downtown Valet, Branch No. 2
(formerly known as Hammerton Laundry)
1718 West Buckeye Road

GLADYS LAMBERT, Maroney Cleaners
4902 North Central

McKean's Arizona Linen Supply
245 West Madison
(out of business; now owned by Maroney Cleaners,
see above.)

Phoenix Laundry and Dry Cleaning Company
333 North Seventh

GEORGE TATE, owner, Pride Cleaners
4812 North 40th

JEAN STUBLE, bookkeeper, Sparkle Laundry and
Cleaners, 45 East Broadway and
1801 East McDowell

It is noted that JEAN STUBLE advised her company formerly
used Thermo-Seal Laundry tags up until three or four months
ago. She said that at that time her company did use the
code 20R-3. She said this code is as follows:

20 - represents 20th lot (30 or 40 bundles to
each lot)

R - week ending August 31, 1967

3 - bundle No. 3

She said her books reflect that the tape used for
code "20R-3" was green rather than yellow. She further
advised that the characters in the code were all of the
same type. She said the invoices prior to January, 1968,
have all been destroyed.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA
G. WAYNE MACK at Safford, Arizona:

On April 25, 1968, Mr. BILL WHITE, Assistant Manager, Gila Valley Laundry, advised that the first two digits represent the lot number, the letter "R" the day of week, and the "3" the bundle number in laundry mark "20R-3." However, he said that his lots never run over nine lots in a week. He checked his records and found the closest combination of numbers was a "2 R-3" for July 25, 1967, on Route 12, which order was to an Indian by the name of TELAMONTES at San Carlos, Arizona. Since there was no record of "20R-3," it is assumed that this number has no significance with this laundry.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
DANIEL C. PELTON at Flagstaff, Arizona:

On April 29, 1968, contact with FRED MONTOYA, Assistant Manager, American Laundry, 101 South San Francisco, disclosed that the code number "20R-3" is not the marking utilized by this laundry.

On April 29, 1968, contact with BILL HUNTER, Manager Flagstaff Laundry and Dry Cleaning, Phoenix Street, and MIKE PIKES, Flagstaff, disclosed that the code number "20R-3" is not utilized by this business.

The following investigation was conducted by SA
JOHN M. NICKOLS at Kingman, Arizona:

On April 26, 1968, Mrs. MARGE FINCH, owner, Spic and Span Laundry, Beale Street, advised that the only time laundry mark "20R-3" was used in the last year and a half was on one occasion when coveralls were done for a Kingman resident named LONNIE MAYS. She stated she is positive this item was a pair of coveralls. She noted that MAYS has had only coveralls cleaned by this firm for years and the price in his ticket is the price for cleaning coveralls.

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SUSPECT - MARINO SUSINI ✓

The following investigation was conducted by SA WILLIAM A. MEHRENS at Phoenix, Arizona, on April 23, 1968:

L. G. WORKMAN, City Manager, Valcar Corporation, 820 South 24th Street, advised that they do not record their temporary license numbers on drive-out licenses. He further advised that they had only two Volkswagens and one of them was in the lot, so therefore the other must be the vehicle in question.

WORKMAN advised that instant vehicle was rented to MARINO SUSINI at the Sahara Motor Hotel, Room 143, Phoenix. He advised that SUSINI gave an Illinois driver's license No. [REDACTED], and a home address of 420 Aldin, Chicago, Illinois. He stated this address was verified by the long-distance operator.

DAVE VANDEVENTER, garage man, Valcar Corporation, stated that he picked up SUSINI at the Sahara Motel and transported him to the Valcar lot at 820 South 24th Street. When exhibited a photo of JAMES EARL RAY, he stated it definitely was not identical to SUSINI.

The agent observed a Volkswagen bearing Arizona drive-out license 33754G in the parking lot at the Sahara Motor Hotel.

SYBIL VERONICA FORTNEY, Night Clerk, Sahara Motor Hotel, 401 North First Street, advised that MARINO SUSINI was registered in Room 143. She advised that he was traveling alone on an American Airlines tour travel ticket and that she had not noticed anyone with him at any time. When exhibited a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY, Mrs. FORTNEY stated it was not identical with SUSINI.

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SUSPECT - FRANK CIRINCIONE ✓

The following investigation was conducted by SA VINCENT J. HARDER and SA CORNELIUS R. HEUSEL at Phoenix, Arizona, on April 24, 1968:

ERVIN J. CALLAGER, Security Guard, St. Joseph's Hospital, advised that he called the Phoenix Police Department and the Phoenix office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation after a nurse told him a man was in the lobby who resembled JAMES EARL RAY. CALLAGER did not see the man prior to making the telephone calls.

FRANK CIRINCIONE was interviewed and advised that he resided at 1309 North Seventh Street, Apartment C, Phoenix. CIRINCIONE said he is a student at Gregg College, 800 North Central Avenue, and a patient of Dr. EDWARD J. LOWELL, JR., M.D., 550 West Thomas, Phoenix. CIRINCIONE also gave the following information:

Home address	1309 East Echo Lane Phoenix, Arizona
	7501 North 17th Drive Phoenix, Arizona
Former employment	Orangewood School 7337 North 19th Avenue Phoenix, Arizona
	Employed during period of September, 1955, through February, 1962. Employment terminated due to nervous breakdown.
Race	Caucasian
Sex	Male
Height	5' 5"
Weight	166 pounds
Eyes	Brown

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Dark brown

Date of birth

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At the time of the interview, it was noted that Mr. CIRINCIONE did not have either a scar in the center of his forehead or a small scar on palm of right hand. Additionally, in examining CIRINCIONE's features, he had brown eyes, appeared to be no taller than 5' 5", and did not have a noticeably protruding left ear.

Dr. EDWARD J. LOWELL, JR., M.D., 550 West Thomas Road, advised that he was acquainted with FRANK CIRINCIONE and that CIRINCIONE has been a regular patient since February 29, 1968. Dr. LOWELL advised the record showed that CIRINCIONE received medical attention on March 8, 19, 29, April 8 and 28, 1968.

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SUSPECT - LON R. HUMMELL ✓

The following investigation was conducted by SA T. MICHAEL SEIKEL, JR., at Winslow, Arizona, on April 25, 1968, while accompanied by Navajo County Deputy Sergeant JACK MURRAY:

Mrs. JOHN TATE, JR., 113 Elm Street, Apartment B, stated that her husband, who is presently working in the woods some 60 miles south of Winslow, became acquainted with LON R. HUMMELL at El Paso, Texas, and that HUMMELL came to Winslow April 7, 1968, and spent a week with them. He left April 15, went to Phoenix and returned April 20. He left April 21, 1968, returned to Phoenix and came back through Winslow April 23, en route to Cushing, Iowa. She observed a photograph of JAMES EARL RAY and noted physical characteristics. She stated that HUMMELL could not possibly be identical with RAY. She further advised that HUMMELL wears thick glasses at all times and can "hardly see without them."

She stated that in her opinion it was impossible that HUMMELL could be identical and that her husband has written to HUMMELL in the past, giving an address only as Cushing, Iowa, and that he received the mail, which indicates that Cushing is a small town in which he and his family are well known.

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SUSPECT - JOHN L. VOGEL, JR.

On April 30, 1968, Detective KYLE GORDEAUX, Phoenix Police Department, advised that one of the uniformed men had observed a cook at Fred's Cafe, 3250 West Van Buren, Phoenix, Arizona, who bore a resemblance to subject JAMES EARL RAY.

On April 30, 1968, SA COLIN M. DUNNIGAN and Detective GORDEAUX interviewed one JOHN L. VOBEL, JR., who advised that he moved to Phoenix approximately one week prior and resides at 7802 North 27th Avenue, and that his former address was 1225 Seventh Avenue, Neptune, New Jersey. VOGEL exhibited Social Security card No. [REDACTED] He advised that his mother-in-law, Mrs. KEPHART, 2424 East Gordon Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. VOGEL was described as:

Date of birth	[REDACTED]
Height	5' 10"
Weight	163 pounds
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue

A close examination of VOGEL indicated he had no scar in the center of his forehead or on his right palm; his ears were the same size and he did not, in fact, resemble subject RAY.

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SUSPECT - ED BOYER ✓

The following investigation was conducted by SA
KERMIT F. JOHNSON at Tucson, Arizona:

On May 8, 1968, Sergeant JACK WOLLARD, Tucson Police Department, advised a subject they arrested, one DAVID A. PICO, told them that he had been staying in a room at the Roosevelt Hotel and that the man in the next room looked like RAY.

On May 8, 1968, WILLIAM APPLGATE, Assistant Manager, Roosevelt Hotel, 96 East Broadway, advised that the room next to the one in which PICO stayed was Room 19 which was occupied from April 21 to May 6, 1968, by ED BOYER and his wife. Their registration card listed their address as 3739 East Fairmount, Phoenix, Arizona. He described BOYER as about 50 years of age, 6' 1", 165 pounds, dark brown wavy hair, used a wooden crutch on the right side. He was neat and clean and presented a neat appearance. He described Mrs. BOYER as older, dishwater blond, 5' 5" to 5' 7".

APPLGATE looked at all the photographs of RAY on the wanted flyer as well as the newest photograph which appeared in the local newspaper, and he said that BOYER did not resemble any of these photographs. The BOYERS owed the hotel personnel \$9.50 when they left and left a shopping bag containing some few miscellaneous items of wearing apparel.

In the items of clothing left by the BOYERS was a piece of white paper on which was pasted a gummed address label with the following name and address: "MAX BANKS, 821 North Third Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85004."

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RE: LEO ROBERT MINICK - SUSPECT

On May 9, 1968, Sergeant BOB TSHUDY, Arizona Highway Patrol, Mesa, Arizona, telephonically advised SUPERVISER ROY W. REGER that the owner of the Desert Flame Bar, Apache Junction, Arizona, had informed him that MINICK worked as a bartender for him for three weeks and bears a strong resemblance to subject. Sergeant TSHUDY said that inquiry by him had determined that MINICK is presently employed as a bartender for Paul Perry's Smorgee, in the 1200 block of East Main Street, Mesa, and plans to be married this coming Saturday. Sergeant TSHUDY further advised that he had talked with a girl at Apache Junction who had been friendly with MINICK and this girl had stated that MINICK refused to discuss his background. She stated that MINICK had an extensive wardrobe and kept a .45 or .38 in his dresser drawer.

On May 9, 1968, SA COLIN M. DUNNIGAN and SA LAIRD L. Hiestand observed MINICK at his place of employment and ascertained that he was not subject RAY.

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ARIZONA LICENSE JPA-401 or JPA-409
OBSERVED IN MIDDLETON, NEW JERSEY

The following investigation was conducted by SA
KERMIT F. JOHNSON at Tucson, Arizona:

On May 6, 1968, DONALD SEHSTEDT, 4038 East 17th Street, advised that 1966 Arizona license JPA-401 is on a 1960 red Ford convertible which has not been driven or licensed during 1968. The car was observed by SA JOHNSON bearing this plate. Also, SEHSTEDT in no way resembles RAY.

It was ascertained on May 6 and 7, 1968, by contacting residents in the neighborhood, that RICHARD S. SNYDER, 3010 East 30th Street, moved away from that address during the summer of 1967.

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ACQUAINTANCE OF RAY

The following investigation was conducted by SA
WALTER E. PETERS:

On May 6, 1968, ALFRED M. DEBAKEY, Inmate, U. S. Marshal's Detention Center, Florence, Arizona, advised that he had written a letter to Mrs. ROBERT H. BRYANT, 3189 Crump Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee, whom he identified as his sister. He advised that he had served time with JAMES EARL RAY at the Missouri State Penitentiary from February, 1965, to July, 1966. He advised that RAY was on the same floor but a different wing and that while he was at the Missouri State Penitentiary (MSP), Jefferson City, Missouri, RAY operated the prison store and (first name unknown) CURTIS was a delivery boy for RAY. DEBAKEY identified CURTIS as being the same man who recently was interviewed and furnished information concerning RAY in Georgia.

DEBAKEY advised that he had never known RAY prior to their meeting in the MSP at Jefferson City and further stated that he has not seen nor heard of RAY since his, DEBAKEY's, release in July, 1966. He advised that his association with RAY consisted of being a customer in the prison store, talking to RAY in the prison yard and playing baseball with RAY. DEBAKEY believed that he would make bond when he was returned to Tampa, Florida, and if he does make bond, he wanted to have the information concerning RAY available in the event he should run into RAY.

It will be noted that ALFRED M. DEBAKEY is the subject of a case entitled "ALFORD MALICK DE BAKKEY, also known as, CRIME ON GOVERNMENT RESERVATION - FRAUDULENT CHECKS," Phoenix file 70-3760. DEBAKEY is described as white, male, American, born [redacted] Blythesville, Arkansas, 5' 9", 150 pounds, black hair, brown eyes, slender build. His criminal record consists of the following:

El Reno Reformatory, El Reno, Oklahoma,
1955-1956; charge - Bogus checks

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Terre Haute Penitentiary, Terre Haute, Indiana,
1958-1961; bogus checks

U. S. Federal Hospital, Springfield, Missouri,
September, 1958

MSP, Jefferson City, Missouri, 1965-1966

Concerning the incarceration at Springfield, Missouri, DEBAKEY advised that this incarceration was part of his incarceration at Terre Haute and that while there he was certified as a psychotic.