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June 20, 1968
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All Sunday issues of "The Birmingham News," for the months of September and October, 1967, were reviewed at "The Birmingham News." From this review, it was determined that only one want ad for a .38 caliber revolver was placed by WALTER LEON SPAIN, that being in the October 1, 1968, issue.

On 6/11/68 at Birmingham, Alabama File # BH 44-1740

SA ROBERT M. BARRETT and SA WILLIAM A. SAUCIER / RMB: hss JUL 1 Date dictated for your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

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WALTER LEON SPAIN, #3 Glen Iris Parkway, Birmingham, Alabama, furnished the following:

In the Spring of 1967, SPAIN's son, WALTER E. SPAIN's gave Mr. SPAIN a .38 caliber Liberty snub-nose revolver, which his son had purchased in late 1966 or early 1967 from a gun dealer near Atlanta, Georgia. His son owed Mr. SPAIN some money and the gun was a partial payment of this debt.

In the Fall of 1967, after having been hospitalized in August, 1967, at Huntsville, Alabama, for an illness and being in need of money to pay bills, Mr. SPAIN sold many personal items by means of placing want ads for these items in the "Birmingham News." Among the items sold was the .38 caliber Liberty snub-nose revolver. Mr. SPAIN recalled he placed an ad for this gun in a Sunday paper, and that same Sunday he received a call from a man who asked about the gun, the price, and the directions to get to SPAIN's residence. The caller said he was in the western section of Birmingham. About an hour after this call, and while SPAIN's wife and daughter were at church, a man came to the front door and said he had called about the gun. He looked at the gun, stated he had been looking for a gun of the same type, and when told again that the price was \$65.00, he gave SPAIN two twenty dollar bills, two ten dollar bills, and a five dollar bill, after saying he would take it. SPAIN did not give the man a receipt for the money, nor did he record his name or see any identification of the man, and he did not obtain any information as to his name. The man left carrying the gun in his hand. SPAIN furnished neither ammunition nor any papers for the gun.

When the man first arrived, SPAIN observed he had parked his car, described by SPAIN only as a late model, white or light-colored, on the street in front of SPAIN's house, a distance of about 150 feet. SPAIN did not pay any further attention to the car. SPAIN did recall the buyer saying he lived in the western section of Birmingham, but he did not mention any specific address or employment.

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The buyer said he wanted the gun to keep around his house. Mr. SPAIN described the buyer as a white male, about forty to forty-five years of age, 5'8" or 5'9" tall, 170 to 175 pounds, dark hair slightly graying at the temples, with a local (Alabama) accent. The man was wearing a sport shirt and slacks, colors unrecalled, and he did not have glasses.

Mr. SPAIN was shown five different photographs of JAMES EARL RAY, and he chose one which had been taken in California during January or February, 1968, as "resembling the man" who bought the revolver; however, Mr. SPAIN would not make a definite identification of the photograph of RAY as the buyer.

Mr. SPAIN recalled he was contacted by FBI Agents on April 7, 1968, and shown an artist's conception of an individual the FBI was attempting to locate. At that time, he advised Agents the drawing reminded him of someone he may have seen previously, but was unable to furnish any other identifying information. After viewing the photographs of JAMES EARL RAY and being questioned about the sale of the revolver, SPAIN said he was now able to connect the sale of the revolver with the drawing in that the person depicted in the drawing reminded SPAIN of the person to whom he had sold the revolver.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date	June	20,	1968	

WALTER E. SPAIN, 2904 - 42nd Avenue North, Birmingham, Alabama, furnished the following:

Sometime in December, 1966, SPAIN went to Atlanta, Georgia, with his father, WALTER LEON SPAIN, so his father could attempt to obtain employment. While in Atlanta, WALTER E. SPAIN saw an advertisement in a newspaper for a .38 caliber Liberty snub-nose revolver, which was being sold by a gun dealer in a small town outside Atlanta, believed to be Mapleton, Georgia. SPAIN, accompanied by his father, went to this gun dealer and bought the gun and SPAIN returned it to his residence in Birmingham, Alabama.

In the Spring of 1967, SPAIN gave the gun to his father in partial payment of a debt he owed to his father. SPAIN was later told by his father that he had sold the gun after placing a want ad for it in a Birmingham newspaper. SPAIN was not present when his father sold the gun and therefore did not see the purchaser.

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Memorandum

TO

SAC, Memphis (44-1987)

DATE: 7/9/68

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SAC, Birmingham (44-1740)(P)

SUBJECT:

MURKIN

For inclusion in next Memphis report, there are attached twenty copies each of an Administrative page and FD-302's regarding the purchase of the .38 caliber Liberty snub-nose revolver at Birmingham by an individual believed to have been RAY.

It is noted that this gun was described in Atlanta teletype of 6/11/68 and was recovered from RAY at the time of his apprehension in London.

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LEGAT, LONDON (88-72) (P) FROM:

MURKIN

Re my cables June 29 and July 1, 1968, pertaining to bank robbery at Fulham on 6/4/68. Also referring to two other possible situations in which JAMES EARL RAY is a suspect.

Enclosed herein are two copies of a Metropolitan Police Report dated 6/29/68. This is a preliminary report and the contents pertain to the Fulham Hank robbery. Also enclosed are two copies each of pages from the "Police Gazette", one dated 7/3/67 which pertains to attempted robbery of the National Provincial Bank and the other dated 7/6/68 pertaining to a robbery of a bank in Devon and Cornwall, Plymouth. These are the other two situations in which RAY is considered to be a suspect.

I hope to obtain photographic copies of the note used in the Fulham bank robbery on or about 7/5/68 and I will forward them.

If desired, the Eureau may furnish the Department of Justice copies of the enclosed documents under the same considerations as set forth in my cable of 7/1/68.

Also enclosed are two copies of an extract of the Judgment of Mr. F. MILTON, the presiding Magistrate at Bow Street Court on 7/2/68. These are furnished for information and need not be furnished the Department as Mr. Vinson has a copy of it.

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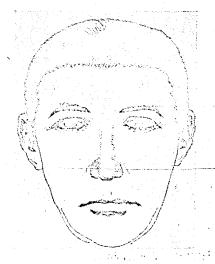
Special Notice

MURDER

M.P. (BD).—At 11.20 a.m. 29th ult., a man entered the National Provincial Bank, 74, Sloane Street, pushed a note demanding money across the counter, produced a firearm and attempted to rob an employee. The alarm was raised and the man fled. A chase ensued and in a near-by cul-de-sac Anthony Robin Fletcher, who had joined in the chase, was shot dead.

Wanted—MAN, b. 1937 to 1939, 5ft. 9in., proportionate build, c. sallow or tanned (swarthy), h. dk. (thick, inclined bushy), softly spoken; (may be of Mediterranean





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extraction); wearing dk. brown and green mixture sports jacket with pronounced vertical dk. stripes, dk. or brown mixture trousers.

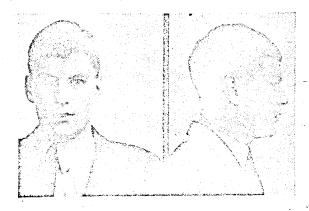
The firearm, which has not been found, was a 7.65mm. (.32) automatic pistol. It is asked that all such weapons found, handed to Police, or found in possession of persons coming into Police custody since 11.20 a.m. 29th ult., be carefully preserved for fingerprints and forensic examination.

The wanted man may attempt to leave the country and special attention should be paid at sea and air-ports and other likely places.

The photographs reproduced are impressions of witnesses and it is requested that suggestions as to identity, recovery of the firearm and details of any robbery where a threatening note and a firearm have been used by the offender be forwarded to Det. Supt. Huntley, telephone No. 01-589 1113, 2632 or 2466.

Wanted

1.—C.R.O.—Order of Recall to B.T.—Ronald Bushell, alias Ronald Dennis Bushell, C.R.O. No. 67342-61, b. Shepherds Bush (L.) 4-4-46, 5ft. 9in., c. fresh, h. fair,



Photograph taken 21-10-63

e. hazel, scar chin. back of hands. Sentenced to B.T. at C.L.S., 26-3-64, for house-breaking w.i. Released. 24-11-66, to Care of Borstal Division, C.A.C.A. Cons. for larceny, taking motor vehicle without consent, housebreaking, etc., at M.P. (D, H and N). If found to be in honest employment. Order of Recall should not be enforced, but report forwarded for information of Home Office, Prison Dept. Supn. expires, 23-11-68, after which date he should not be arrested on the Order.

2.—C.R.O.—Absconding, 30th uit., from Usk B.I.—Ernest William Hines, C.R.O. No. 23270-63. b. Kingswood, Bristol 7-3-48. 5ft. 9in., c. fresh, h. brown, e. blue, scar rt. eyebrow. Cons. for larceny, shop, store and garagebreaking at Staple Hill and Kingswood.

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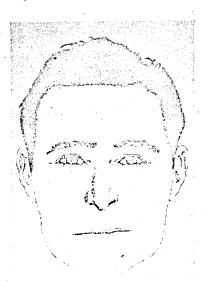
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JOHN WALDRON

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE OF THE METROPOLIS

Wanted

1 Devon and Cornwall, Plymouth—Robbery, 2.57 p.m. 31st ult. Entered bank, threatened cashiers with revolver and ordered money to be placed in brown paper carrier bag. Stole money and ordered staff to lie on floor before leaving.—Man,



b. 1929/to 1934, 5ft. 9in., c. sallow (may be sun-tanned), h. black (wavy, brushed back), aquiline nose; wearing green/grey jacket and green plaid shirt. Witnesses state that artist's impression of man wanted for murder at M.P. (BD), vide Special Notice, 6-12-67, is a truer likeness of offender. Det. Supt. Roberts in case.

2 Beds. and Luton, Luton—Larceny, 5.45 p.m. 11th inst. With others (in custody) boarded train en route from Bedford to London, entered guard's van and stole parcels from mail bags. Transferred to another train at Luton, saw guard approaching and absconded.—Stephen Fitzgerald, b. Tralee 26-12-32, 5ft. 7in., c. fresh, h. black (curly), e. brown, Mom. True Love, Pat, heart, two scrolls rt., sword, serpent I. arm. Frequents Kilburn (L.). D.S. Sparkes. British Transport Commission Police in case.

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To Detective Superintendent.

- 1. This report deals with an offence of armed robbery consisted by a man armed with a revolver type fiream: she on Tweedry bith June, 1968, at about 2.13 p.m., entered bank promises at 7, Clem Attlee Farade, North End Road, B.W.G., held up perbare of the bank staff and obtained 295 100. cash.
- 2. The method used by this man was he entered the bank and handed to Mr. Edward VINSY a bank caphier, a pink paper bag on which was written "Flace All 65-10 round Notes in this mag". Produced the firears in consequence of which Mr. Vincy took a bundle of 65 notes from the next till and gave them to the robber.
- 3. The pink paper beg were left bedding at the scene and this end subsequently substitud to the Fingerprint Branch, New Scotland Yard, for a minhydrin executacion as a besult of which a right thusb impression ass found on the bag.
- the This fingerprint impression has been positively identified as being identical with the right thumb fingerprint impossion of Facon feorms STITE, C.F.O. No. 14/377/68, who is at present remarked in custody charged with (1) illegal entry to this country and (2) possessing a firence. Extradition proceedings are in hand relative to an offence of nurder committed by sneyd in the United States of America.
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- 6. Members of the bank staff who saw this man and can positively identify him are as follows:-
- 7. Mr. Edward VINEY, a Bank Clerk, of 122, Roxethgreen Avenue, South Harrow, Middlesex, was the cashier to whom the note was presented and he will give evidence of seeing the pistol held by the man and of going to the next till along the counter where he spoke Miss Penelope Mary LORD, a Bank Cashier, of 30, Elthiron Road, Fulham, S.W.6., and told her of the robbery.
- 8. Mr. Viney took a bundle of £5 notes from Miss Lord's till and handed them to the robber. Whilst he did this Miss Lord went to the back office of the bank which is occupied by Mr. Alan Cardinal PERKINS, the Bank Manager of 114, Consfield Avenue, New Malden, Surrey, and told him what was happening. Mr. Perkins looked from his office door and saw the robber he then went into his office and started to dial 999, when he heard a noise which he thought was a shot but which was in fact caused by Mr. Raymond Llewellyn HEATH, a Bank Cashier, of 32, Gastein Road, Fulham, S.W.6., who saw the man leaning over the counter, started to go towards him, saw the gun, stopped and slammed his till shut. In the meantime during the disturbance caused by the closing of this till which Mr. Viney and Miss Lord thought was a shot the robber left the bank.
- 9. Police were called, the area searched but no trace of the robber found. I (Detective Inspector Batchelor) attended the scene with other officers at 2.25 p.m., where I took possession of the pink paper bag which had been taken from the bank counter by Mr. Heath (Exhibit R.H.l) into Mr. Perkins office and placed on a chair.
- 10. Later that alternoom a Police photographer, Mr. Colin PURDUE

Photographer, Photographic Section, New Scotland Yard, visited the bank premises and there took six photographs of the bank and the pink paper bag. These photographs are in an elbum attached (Exhibit C.P.1).

- 11. Luring the course of Folice enquiries it was established that the robber after committing this offence entered a tailors shop situated at the corner of North End Road and Lillie Road; 2.W.6., where he was seen by Mr. John Bryan Tawll, a shop essistant of 299A, North End Road, Fulher, S.W.6. This witness will say that at about 2.20 pope, a man came into the shop from the North and Road entrance, walked straight through the shop to the Lillie Rosd oxit, looked around him for about half a sinute and then looked at some trousers on the racks behind Fr. Times counter. The shop assistant approached this man, asked if he could help him but received no ensuer from this man who picked up a pair of troucors and started to examine thom. During the course of his stay in the shop, a period of three or four minutes. This man refused to allow Wranger Tames to measure either his vaint or his inside leg but just looked at trousers as if to pass time away. He then left the shop by the Lillie Road exit.
- 13. All members of the bank staff have described the robber and their description fits Smeyd as also does the description given by Mr. Tames.
- the From the foregoing it will be seen there is emplo evidence to prove the offence of rebbery against Sneyd, both by means of the fingerprint found on the bag and his identification by the bank staff and Mr. Tames all of whom pay they would recognise this man again.

- 14. Remon George SNEYD, who is an American National was arrested on 8th June, 1968, at London Airport and was later charged at Cannon Row Police Station with being found in the possession of a forged passport and possessing a firearm containing five rounds of live ammunition.
- 15. The prisoner as previously mentioned is the subject of extradition proceedings relative to the murder of Doctor Martin. Luther King, a coloured civil rights leader and which took place on 4th April, 1968 at Memphis, Tennessee, United States of America. The proceedings of extradition are in an advanced stage and it is anticipated they will be completed on Tuesday 2nd July, 1968, at Bow Street Magistrates Court. If extradition proceedings are successful it is considered no further proceedings will be taken in relation to the charges of possessing a forged passport and that of a firearm containing live ammunition.
 - 16. The latter offences have been reported to the Director of Public Prosecutions by virtue of correspondence 201/68/94 and Mr. Hopkins of the latter department is conducting the case on behalf of the Police.
 - 17. It will be appreciated that Sneyd has not yet been questioned for the offence previously mentioned in the report of robbery but this will be done on Tuesday 2nd July, 1968, in the presence of his solicitor Mr. Eugene of Michael Dresden and Co., Solicitors, of No. 32, Tavistock Street, W.C.2. It is anticipated that he will admit the offence of robbery and the necessity of holding an identification parade will be obviated.
 - 18. I ask that copies of this report, together with copy

pirector of Fublic Prosecutions, in order that a representative attend Court to conduct the prosecution on the remand hearing, in relation to the further offence of rebbery.

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Paddington, 385-7758 No. 991E

STATEMENT OF WITNESS

Statement of Edward VINEY			
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Occupation of Witness Bank Clerk			
Address 122, Roxethgreen Avenu	The same of the sa	cow, Middl	esex.
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I am employed by the London Trustees Savings Bank at their branch at Clem Attlee Parade, North End Road, Fulham, S.W.6.

At about 2.10pm today, 4th June, 1968, I went to the counter and opened my till to continue business. At this time, Miss LORD another of the cashiers was serving a woman and there was a man standing behind this woman forming the start of a queue.

I called the man over to my window in preparation to serving him and he passed a paper bag over to me and on it was written 'Put all the £5 notes in this bag! On seeing this I looked up and saw that the man was holding what appeared to be a small. revolver type pistol in his right hand.

I immediately shut my till which is self-locking so that he could not see the money that was inside it. The till used by Miss Lord which was on my right was still open and I knew did not contain much money, so I walked down to her, told her that the man and a gun and told her to tell the Manager. As I did this, I took the bundle of £5 notes out of her till, there could not have been more than .. ten, and went back my position where I handed them over to the man.

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Edward VINEY

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counter where he looked towards Mr. HEATH, the other cashier behind the counter, then jumped down again and there was a bang and the man left the Bank by way of the left hand door. I don't know what the bang was, I thought it could have been Mr. Heath kicking his box, but it could have been the gun held by the man going off.

I immediately ran to the road and turned left, but the man was no where in sight.

I would describe the man as being aged between 35 to 40 years, 5' 10"/11" tall, black wavy hair which was short cut and brushed back, tanned complexion, clean shaven and a round face. He was wearing a pair of sun glasses and a dark blue suit.

I think I would be able to recognize the man

This statement, consisting of 2 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

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Occupation of Witness Bank cashier		
Address 30, Elthiron Road, Fulham, S.W.6.		
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I am employed as a bank cashier by the London Trustee: Savings Bank at their branch at 7, Clem Attlee Parade, North End Road, Fulham, S.W.6.

At about 2.10pm yesterday, Tuesday, 4th June, 1968, I was on duty at my counter at the bank, which is the second from the right - number 4 till - and on the immediate right of Mr. Viney, when he came over to me and asked if I had any £5 notes. On looking up I saw a man on the other side of the counter holding a gun in his right hand and pointing it at us.

As Mr. Viney reached to my till he said to me, 'Tell Mr. Perkins there is a man with a gun'. As Mr. Viney walked back to his position, the man went back that way as well and I walked over to Mr. Perkins office.

I told him what was happening and he told me to shut the door and lock it. He started to use the telephone, when we heard a loud crash and I thought that some fighting had started. Mr. Perkins put down the phone and we both went into the front office. As he got inside he started to duck down and I followed suit, but the man had gone by now and Mr. Viney and Mr. Perkins went out to see where he had gone and Mr. Heath went to telephone the Police.

I cannot describe the man very well as I only glanced at him and once I saw the gur which appeared to Signature witnessex by Signature witnessex by

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be a small revolver type gun, I didn't look at him any more. I would say that he was about 35 years of age, about 5' 10" tall, had black wavy hair which was short cut and brushed back, tanned complexion and high cheekbones. He had a long thin face and wore dark sun glasses and a dark blue suit. I am not certain whether I would recognize him again.

I leter checked my till and found that it was £95.10.0d deficient.

This statement, consisting of 2 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

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Statement of Alan Cardinal PERKINS	 	
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I am the manager of the London Trustee Savings Bank at 7, Clem Attlee Parade, North End Road, Fulham, S.W.6.

At about 2.10pm yesterday, 4th June, 1968, one of my cashiers, Miss Lord, came into my office door and said 'Mr. Perkins, Mr. Viney has asked me to tell you that there is a man pointing a gun at him,' I put my head round the door to assess the situation and saw Mr. Viney standing behind the second till position and a man standing opposite him on the other side of the counter with his right hand pointed towards Mr. Viney giving the appearance of holding a gun. I cannot say definitely that he was holding a gun but I have the impression of a small black gun in his hand.

I went back into my office and told Miss Lord to lock the door. I then went to my desk telephone and started to dial '999' but had only got as far as the second 9 when a sound which appeared to be a shot came from the front office.

I stopped dialling and hung up the phone and went into the front office and saw both Mr. Viney and Mr. Heath in a half crounched position with their hands raised. I immediately thought that it had been a shot I had heard and I crounched down as well. I then realized

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Alan Cardinal PERKINS

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Mr. Viney where the man was and he told me that he was gone.

I then ran to the counter flap, told Mr. Viney to run out to North End Road to see if he could see the man and I told Mr. Heath to dial '999'. I ran after Mr. Viney to tell him to be careful, but the man had gone. I then returned to my office and took the call on the phone which was through to Scotlar Yard.

I would describe the man as being aged about 40 - 44 years, about 5' 10"/11½" tall, of well proportioned build, very tanned complexion, very dark brown to black hair which was wavy and I have the impression there was some grey in it. He was wearing a pair of dark glasses which appeared to be ski glasses and a dark blue suit. He was of very smart appearance and bearing and gave me the impression by his manner that he was continental, either Swiss or Austrian. I

don't think I would be able to recognize him again. This statement, consisting of 2 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

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		Malden, Surrey.	
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	On Tuesday, 4th	June, 1968, just aft	er the robbery
	occurred at our bank	, Mr. Heath, one of m	y cashiers
	brought a pink colour	red paper bag into my	office and
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Raymond Llewellyn HEATH

Ago of Witness (if over 21 enter "over 21") Over 21

Occupation of Witness Eank cashier

Address 32, Gastein Road, Fulham, S.W.6.

I am employed as a bank cashier by London Trustee Savings Bank at their branch at 7, Clem Attlee Parade, North End Road, Fulham, S.W.6.

At about 2.10pm yesterday, Tuesday, th June, 1968, I was on duty at the bank and was working at my till which is at the left hand end of the counter. I had just used the telephone and my till was shut and I was at my part of the counter addressing an envelope.

attracted my attention and from the corner of my eye I saw on my right hand side, Mr. Viney with his hand on the till on my immediate right which is used by Mr. Longo and a mans hand stretched over the counter at that position.

I turned to my right and immediately saw that a man was sitting on the counter at Mr. Longo's position of the counter with his arm reaching over. As I moved forward a pace, the man turned towards me and his right hand was immediately in front of my stomach. I could the see that he was holding a small revolver type pistol and this was only two inches from my stomach. I stepped back and in doing so I kicked my metal till box. The sound of me doing this must have sounded like a shot to the other staff, because Mr. Viney then ducked down and I

immediately ducked down myself. I thought that the man

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Continuation of statement of Raymond Llewellyn HEATH

was coming round to get over the counter at my position, so I held myself close in to the counter. Mr. Perkins then came out of his office and I saw him duck down, but then Mr. Viney looked over the counter and saw that the man had gone.

Mr. Viney ran out of the bank to see where the man had gone and was followed by Mr. Perkins. As I went to follow, Mr. Perkins told me to ring the Police and I returned to the telephone.

I would describe the man as being aged between 35 - 40 years, very tanned complexion, black hair which was wavy and short cut, high cheekbones with slightly sunken cheeks and was clean shaven. I could not tell how tall he was and I only saw him sitting on the counter. He was wearing dark glasses and a dark blue suit with a light blue square pattern on it. I think that I would recognize the man again if I saw him.

This statement, consisting of 2 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

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Address 32, Gastein	
On Tuesday, 4th Ju	ine, 1968, just after the robbery
occurred at the London	Trustee Savings Bank,
7, Clem Attlee Parade,	North End Road, Fulham, S.W.6,
where I work, I took a	pink coloured paper bag from the
counter near Mr. Viney	's till position and took it to
the Manager's Office w	nere I gave it to Mr. Perkins.
This statement is true to the best if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be l which I know to be false or do not bel	of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that iable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything ieve to be true.
Dated the 28th day of	June , 1968.
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	(Signed) R. Heath
	Signature witnessed by A. Lawrence, D/C
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Dated the day of	, 19
	(Signed)

2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

STATEMENT OF WITNESS
Statement of John BATCHELOR
Age of Witness (if over 21 enter "over 21")
Occupation of Witness Detective Inspector 'F'
Address Fulham Police Station,
'F' Division.
On Tuesday, 4th June, 1968, at 2.25 p.m., as a
result of a call for Police, I went to the premises
of the London Trustee Savings Bank, Clem Attlee
Parade, North End Road, to investigate an allegation
of robbery.
On a chair in the Manager's Office I saw a pink
paper bag which had writing on it (Exhibit R.H.1). I
took possession of this bag and was present when it
was photographed by Photographer Purdue at the bank.
I then took this bag to Fulham Police Station and on
5th June, 1968, I took the exhibit to New Scotland Yard where I handed it to a member of the Fingerprint
Department.
This statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anythin which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.
Dated the 8th day of June , 1968.
(Signed) Jan Batchelor, D/Insp. 'F
Signature witnessed by
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Dated the day of , 19
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METROPOLITAN POLICE

Fulham Station
'F' Division
7th June 1968

STATEMENT of:

John Bryan TAMES

(Age: 20 years - born

(Shop Assistant)

299A, North End Road,

Fulham, S.W.6

I am employed as a counter assistant by FAITH BROTHERS, men's outfitters, at 238, North End Road, Fulham, S.W.6.

On Tuesday, 4th June 1968, I left the shop to have my lunch at 1 p.m. I returned to the shop at about three minutes before 2 p.m. to allow the other man who works on my counter to have his lunch. He left the shop at about five past two. I know he left at that time as I had checked the time on my watch just a minute or so previously. That left me alone on my side of the shop and a Mrs.CLARK on the other side.

Between both sides of the shop are high shelves full of clothing, which means that I could not see Mrs.CLARK's side of the shop and she can't see mine.

As soon as my friend left the shop I went to the end of my counter, nearest to the door, and started to put away some new stock that had come in. I was working there for about ten minutes when I heard the door open and I looked up. That's the door that opens onto North End Road.

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TAMES, John Bryan Page 2 ...

I saw a man come in, walking very fast. He left the door wide open and went past me without saying anything at all. He went down the length of the shop and round the corner by the till and stopped. He looked around for about half a minute with his back to me. He was facing towards the door that leads out into Lillie Road.

There was someone else in the shop at the same time because I could hear Mrs.CLARK talking, but I don't know who it was. They would not be able to see the man because of the high shelves.

The man turned round and started to look at the racks of trousers behind my counter. I walked down behind the counter till I was opposite the man and said to him, "Can I help you?" The man looked at me but didn't answer. He walked back towards the door that he had used to come in and stopped beside the trousers I had been sorting. He picked up a pair of trousers and looked at them.

I walked back to where he was and when I reached the man he said, "I want a pair of trousers."

I was going to ask him what sort of trousers he wanted, when he said, "I want a slimmer leg." I said that I didn't think we had anything slimmer than the pair he was looking at. He didn't say anything to me then but again walked back down the shop and looked at the racks.

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TAMES, John Bryan Page 3 ...

I started walking towards the racks and asked him, "What waist measurements are you?" He replied, "32". I went to the racks and got out all the size 32 trousers and then asked him, "What size leg are you?" He smiled and looked at me as though he didn't understand what I meant. I put the trousers onto the counter.

I then saw an elderly couple come round to my side of the shop and stop beside the till. They were talking.

I picked up the tape measure and said to the man, "I'd better check on your waist and leg measurements." He moved away from the counter, waved his hands at me and said, "No, 32". I said that I needed to know his leg size and he said something like, "My leg is 31". I told him to look at the trousers and I would see to the old couple. I left him looking at the trousers and went to the old couple.

I sold a cap to the man. I don't know who the old couple were. I think I would have taken about three minutes to serve them.

When I was serving the couple I saw the man pick up the tape measure and put it round his waist. He had his jacket open and thrown back at the waist. He was facing towards me and I could see he was wearing a thick leather belt. There was nothing else about him that I noticed then. He put the tape down and started looking at the trousers again.

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TAMES, John Bryan Page: 4 ...

The old couple left the shop and I went back to him and asked if he saw anything he liked. He shook his head to say no. I turned to the rack to see if there was anything else and I heard the door open again. I think it was a woman whom came in. The man smiled again, then left the shop without a word.

The man was aged about 35 years, about 5 ft.8 in. tall, well built, dark hair, slightly waved at the front.

He was wearing a greeny-blue suit. He had on a tie and was quite smart looking.

When he spoke he sounded foreign, like Spanish or Italian. He looked as though he was like an Italian or that type. His voice was low and rough.

I would recognise the man again if I saw him.

He must have been in the shop about ten minutes altogether. As near as I can remember, he left the shop a couple of minutes before half past two.

This statement, consisting of 4 pages each signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated the 7th day of June 1968:

(Signed) J.Tames

Signature witnessed by: Alex Lawrence Detactive Constable

EXTRADITION OF JAMES EARL RAY JUDGMENT OF MR. F. MILTON

After telling the Court of the Statement made by Sneyd in the lunch recess in which the accused reiterated his denial of Mr. Butler's evidence and said that he had requested an audience with Mr.Arthur Haynes which had been denied him, the Magistrate said that this Statement could not alter his decision. He knew nothing of its contents, and it was sufficient that the Statement had been made. In any case only an English Lawyer has a right of audience in an English Court, and in fact the case for the accused could not have been put more persuasively.

Mr. Milton said that the United States was seeking Extradition for two offences: one alleging that he is James Earl Ray, convicted in 1960 for robbery in the first degree, the other alleging that he murdered Dr. King in Tennessee. In delivering his judgment he had considered the following points:-

- 1. Was there such evidence as would enable him to commit the accused for trial had the alleged offence taken place in England. His answer to this was "yes" and this was not contested by the defence.
- He now came to the question of robbery by means of a dangerous and a deadly weapon. Mr. Frisby had contended that this is not an Extradition crime, although it is clear that robbery with violence is such a crime. Mr. Frisby had conceded that the point was technical, that Mr. Milton felt that it was right to take the point as the liberty of the individual was in question. In the Missouri Statutes the

crime was robbery in the first degree. In our Larceny Act, 1861 the offence with robbery with violence was lumped together with armed robbery in the same section (Section 43). The Schedule to the Act of 1870 and the treaty embrace these offences comprehensively, and in this instance one should look at Section 56 of the LA 1861 which deals with various types of breaking, whereas the Act and the Treaty only refer to house-breaking. It had been held elsewhere that shop-breaking included other types of breaking. In our Larceny Act 1916 robbery with violence and armed robbery were part of the same section and the same punishment applied to both. Mr. Milton therefore held that this was an Extraditon offence.

3. Mr. Milton then came to the murder charge. He said that the defence Counsel had been very persuasive, that there had been much argument as to what was an offence of a political character. He said that many would say that such an act cannot be defined.

It had been said that Dr. King was a nationally known and controversial figure and whilst his campaigning was itself non-violent, violence had often resulted from his activities. Mr. Milton had been asked to say that the murder of Dr. King was a political offence. so to hold however would be to extend the meaning of the Act and the case law too far. Even in Lord Reid's speech (upon which the Defence had relied) passages that were quoted fall far short of including murder (i.e. this type of murder) as a political act \(\sum Mr. Milton then read part of \) Lord Reid's speech \(\sum \subseteq \subseteq \text{Mr. Milton then read part of} \) Lord Reid's speech \(\sup \subseteq \subseteq \subseteq \subseteq \text{Mr. Milton said that although this went further than Castioni it fell short of bringing into the definition of a political act what on the face of it is an individual act committed in the absence of insurrection in a country which is a democracy and where normal electoral procedures prevail. Mr.

Milton referred to Lord Radcliffe's speech on page 591.

He said that noncof these conceptions covered the case of the assassination of a man who although influential was not in charge of the government, nor took part in a campaign to get rid of the government. Even if there had been such evidence Mr. Milton was more than doubtful as to the success of such a campaign to get rid of the government.

Mr. Milton said that the accused had denied doing it. If this, and the evidence that the person who was killed was a political figure (which caused it a political sense was the only evidence put forward Mr. Milton was not satisfied with it. Both the submissions fail and the accused would be committed to prison to await Extradition. However, the accused had fifteen days in which to apply for Habeas Corpus. The accused would be granted an emergency legal aid certificate, and on the English charges would be remanded in custody until 9th July,

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NATIONAL POLICE AGLNCY

³/1, 2-Chome, Kasumigaseki Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo Japan

"J-NCB/278 /68"

Mr. Roderick V. Prechtl, Jr. Legal Attache American Embassy Tokyo



IN LERPOL NATIONAL CENTRAL BUREAU

Telegraphic Address: "INTERPOLJAPAN TOKYO"

TOKYO, June 10, 1968.



Re: Information about a pistol "Liberty-Chief" No. 715

Dear Sir;

In reply to your telephone request made this morning concerning the captioned matter, we wish to inform you as follows:

- 1. Destination of this weapon's shipment:
 This pistol in question was shipped from the manufacturing company given below on August 3, 1966, and was cleared by our Customs' inspection on August 19, 1966 and was loaded on the "HAVANA-MARU" at "SUMA-PORT" in Hyogo Prefecture for shipment to: Name of a company: LIBERTY ARES CORPORATION. Address: P.O. BOM. 306, MONTROSE, CALIFORNIA, U.S.A.
- 2. Items for your reference:
 The name of this weapon's manufacturing company is "KABUSHIXI KAISMA, MIRONU SEISAKUSHO" (translated in English: MIRONU MANUFACTURING COMPANY LTD.).
 Address: 180, INANI-CHO, KCCHI-CITY, KCCHI PREFECTURE, JAPAN. Name of the President: IDO Chiyoki.

Trusting the above information is of some assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

for HMAD, NCB, JAFAN:

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Director, FBI (44-38961)

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Enclosed are five copies of National Police Agency of Japan letter dated 6/10/68, containing results of National Police Agency's investigation concerning the revolver in question.

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GENERAL INVESTIGA: Æ DIVISION 7/9/68

It appears that Ray's counsel is taking advantage of the full 15-day period from July 2nd to appeal the order of extradition of the Magistrate's Court. If appeal is allowed he will then have an additional 8 days for the hearing on appeal.

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TO DIRECTOR AND LEGAT LONDON
FROM LEGAT PARIS NO. 96

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RE LONDON CAB JUNE TWO NIME LAST.

THE POSSIBILITY OF SUBJECT HAVING COMMITTED SERIOUS CRIMES DURING HIS STAY IN LISBON MAY EIGHT TO ONE SEVEN, ONE NINE SIX EIGHT WAS FULLY EXPLORED WITH PORTUGUESE DURING OUR INVESTIGATION THERE JUNE EIGHT TO ONE TWO LAST. THEY ADVISED THERE WERE NO SUCH CRIMES WHICH HAVE BEEN REPORTED DURING THAT PERIOD WHICH COULD BE ATTRIBUTED TO SUBJECT.

PORTUGUESE HAVE AGAIN BEEN ALERTED TO THIS POSSIBILITY AND BUREAU AND LONDON WILL BE ADVISED IN THE EVENT ANY SUCH INFO RECEIVED.

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TO DIRECTOR

FROM LEGAT LONDON NO. 87

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RAY APPEARED MAGISTRATES COURT TODAY FOR ONE MINUTE AND WAS REMANDED ON LOCAL CHARGES FOR ADDITIONAL SEVEN DAYS. HE WILL APPEAR AGAIN JULY ONE SIX NEXT WITH ADDITIONAL REMAND OF EIGHT DAYS ANTICIPATED.

SOURCES RELIABLY REPORT RAYS SCLICITOR FILING FOR WRIT OF HABJAS COPPUS UNDER APPEAL PROCEDURES ON JULY ONE SEVEN NEXT. HIGH COURT WHICH WILL HEAR APPEAL INSISTS ON EIGHT DAYS FOR SERVICE AND THE EARLIEST HIGH COURT CAN HEAR APPEAL IS JULY TWO NINE NEXT.

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TO:

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (44-1609) (RUC)

SUBJECT:

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Re Memphis airtel dated 7/3/68, requesting a check at Longines-Wittnauer Watch Company to identify case numbers on a watch of subject RAY.

CHARLES DIAZ, Longines-Wittnauer Watch Company, 580 Fifth Avenue, NYC, advised 7/9/68 the numbers: 8001/11K, are identifying numbers used to designate the model and style of watch in which the case will be used. The numbers are thus of significance only at the assembly stage. Thousands of watches of each model (with the same numbers) are assembled both here and abroad.

He pointed out that because the Wittnauer is an inexpensive watch, no movement number is inscribed and it is not possible to identify the outlet through which any particular watch is sold.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

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Rebutel to Ottawa 6/17/68 and Ottawa teletype to Bureau 6/21/68.

BCMP "O" Division (Toronto) by Telex July 8, 1968 advised that 125 branches of the Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto, were checked under the name of Subject and aliases with negative results. Further advised no record of resident address related to laundry mark in question.

Investigation continuing.

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to: Legats, Ottawa

PARIS

PROM: DIRECTOR, PBI (44-38661)

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IN VIEW OF PROSECUTION OF SUBJECT BY TERMESSEE AUTHORITIES, IT MAY BE RECESSARY TO DISSEMINATE TO THEM THE RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED BY ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE AND PORTUGUESE AUTHORITIES. YOU SHOULD THEREPORE, FURNISH BUREAU A COMPLETE LISTING OF ITEMS SUBMITTED BY YOU AND ADVISE WHAT ITEMS CAN BE DISSEMINATED TO TEMPESSEE AUTHORITIES. MEMPHIS ADVISED BY HAIL.

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TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)

FROM:

SAC, CHICAGO (44-1114)

MURKIN

"CHICAGO DAILY NEWS" BLUE STREAK EDITION, JULY FIFTEEN
INSTANT CARRIES FRONT PAGE HEADLINE "RAY ADMITS HE IS SNEYD!"
ARTICLE RELATES PAPER OBTAINED COPY OF TWO PAGE HANDWRITTEN
LETTER FROM RAY TO A MARRIED SISTER WHO LIVES IN ST. LOUIS
SUBURB SIGNED "LORD R. G. SNEYD." UNDATED LETTER SENT FROM
LONDON'S HEATHFIELD ROAD PRISON WHERE RAY INCARCERATED. LETTER
WAS IN RESPONSE TO A LETTER SENT TO THE PRISON BY JOHN RAY,
A BROTHER, ADDRESSED TO JAMES EARL RAY AT HEATHFIELD ROAD
PRISON. JOHN RAY IS CONVINCED LETTER IS GENUINE AND WAS SENT
BY RAY DESPITE THE SIGNATURE BASED ON HANDWRITING, LANGUAGE
OF THE LETTER AND PERSONAL COMMENTS. LETTER WRITTEN ON BLUERULED STATIONERY BEARING PRISON LETTERHEAD. PUBLISHED PORTION
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ANYWAY, DON'T COME OVER, FOR ONE, YOU COULDN'T GET IN, ATTORNEY HANES COULDN'T, AND TWO, IT'S TOO EXPENSIVE.

ABOUT JUDGE CASEY WANTING TO REVERSE MY CASE, I DON'T WANT IT REVERSED I WILL EXPLAIN LATER, BUT YOU KNOW THEIR THINGS ARE NOT DOING ANYTHING TO BENEFIT ME.

IF YOU COULD, I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO GIVE THE ATTORNEY ARTHUR HAMES SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS YOU CAN GET SOME OF IT OFF JERRY AND I WILL STRAIGHTEN IT UP WITH YOU WHEN I GET BACK.

YOU MENTION PERCY FOREMAN. HE IS A GOOD ATTORNEY BUT I WILL WAIT UNTIL I GET BACK AS I WANT SOME ATTORNEYS WHO CAN WORK TOGETHER, SO INVILL LET HANES DECIDE ON SOMEONE HE THINKS WOULD BE BEST.

I COULD APPEAL MY EXTRADITION HEARING BUT I AM GETTING TIRED OF LISTENING TO THESE LIARS, SO I MIGHT CLOSE IT UP ABOUT TUESDAY.

LORD R. G. SNEYD."

PAGE THREE

SECTION OF LETTER REFERRING TO PERSONAL FAMILY MATTERS DELETED AT REQUEST OF FAMILY.

JOHN RAY FEELS LETTER CONSTITUTES "STRONG EVIDENCE"
HIS BROTHER DID NOT KILL DOCTOR KING FOR HE WOULD NOT CONSIMER RESIGNING EXTRADITION PAPERS.

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Mr. Andrew SALWYN (born) of 1225 St-Marc Street, Apartment 1206, Montreal, P.Q. (phone 932-6344), contacted this office in person to give information concerning a Jules Rocco KIMBLE wanted for questioning by the GARRISON PROBE into the John F. KENNEDY murder case. In return for this information, SALWYN wanted to know the following points concerning the case of:

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- (a) Address where RAY alias GALT stayed in Montreal.
- (b) Duration of RAY alias GALT's stay in Montreal.

With this information, he hoped to ascertain what, if any, connection there was between the fact that KIMBLE had with RAY in that SALWYN had uncovered through his investigation, that KIMBLE had resided at 3420 St-Germain Street, Montreal, and also through the news media, it was reported in the majority of newspapers that RAY had also resided on St-Germain Street. However, the address for RAY on the street was not mentioned.

- SALWYN further requested that before he gave any information concerning his investigation, he wanted also to have our cooperation in releasing to him on a first-hand basis any information that we may have or may obtain through our investigation concerning the information he had on KIMBLE in order that he may be able to release his investigation as a front-page headline. under his name.
- It will be noted that no information was given to SALWYN but it was impressed on him that cooperation would be given to him should an investigation be made on the information which he intends to give.
- SALWYN further stated that he is employed by the TORONTO STAR and is the Bureau Chief of this newspaper with office located at 1000 St-Antoine Street, Montreal, c/o THE GAZETTE (phone 866-9006).

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- It will be noted that SALWYN's main interest is to establish that RAY had resided in the same area and at the same time as KIMBLE during 1967 in Montreal and the possible connection of a conspiracy involving the murder of John F. KENNEDY and Dr. Martin Luther KING. SALWYN did not however mention the latest murder of Robert F. KENNEDY.
- SALWYN stated that during a routine check of St-Germain Street to locate the address of RAY alias GALT, he located the address at 3420 St-Germain Street where KIMBLE resided. SALWYN having been aware of the GARRISON PROBE and the fact that GARRISON is presently looking for KIMBLE, SALWYN conducted an investigation on KIMBLE and came up with the following information:
 - John SUZ, janitor at 3420 St-Germain Street (phone 522-6530) which is a rooming house, was interviewed by SALWYN. SUZ has advised that a Jules Rocco KIMBLE, age approximately 25, white, 6'2" and 200 lbs, had resided at this address during the Summer of 1967. The exact dates were unknown to SUZ as the books for the rooming house are presently in the hands of his accountant who is on holidays at the present time. The description of KIMBLE as given by SUZ matches the description as known by SALWYN. SALWYN has no photo of KIMBLE as he has been unable to obtain one as of the 13 JUN 68. SUZ went on to describe KIMBLE as a girl chaser, unemployed, claimed to be a student and received long distance calls (not collect) every day from an unknown place. KIMBLE also made a few phone calls nearly every day (not collect) to New Orleans Louisiana, U.S.A. KIMBLE did not pay for any of these calls and left without notice taking with him the janitor's watch and radio. KIMBLE during his stay at this address also received telegrams very often from the U.S.A., exact place unknown.
 - (b) SUZ mentioned that KIMELE was very friendly with a Marcelle MATHIEU, age 27, white, who resided in an adjacent room to KIMELE's.
 - (c) SKLWYN located MATHIEU at 3280 Bélair Street, Apt. 210, Montreal (phone 721-9612). MATHIEU is a teacher of national science. She stated to SALWYN what she knew concerning KIMBLE and the following is the content of the notes made by SALWYN concerning his interview of MATHIEU.

"On our second date, he suddenly asked me how do I like negroes. I told him I had nothing against them and that I thought that some of them were in fact better than white men. I also told him that I had kissed a negro and it did not make any difference to me. He was living in the same boarding house at 3420 St-Germain Street and he asked me to go out with him, that must have been around September 5 last year. He took me out in his car, it was an ivory CAMARO with a black vinyl roof. He had a pink telephone inside and a special received through